

# World and Nation

## Jackson draws criticism for Noriega involvement

**Associated Press**  
Jesse Jackson appealed Monday to Panamanian strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega again to give up power, but fellow Democratic presidential hopeful Michael Dukakis called Jackson's involvement there a "bad idea," as the two squared off in Monday's Colorado caucuses and Tuesday's Wisconsin primary.

Sen. Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee also criticized Jackson's correspondence with Noriega, but he blasted Dukakis for being "absolutely timid" on Jackson.

The Massachusetts governor dismissed Gore and his comments: "I don't know what he's serious about."

Jackson, Dukakis and Gore were joined by Sen. Paul Simon of Illinois campaigning across Wisconsin on Monday. Simon is trailing badly in his effort to win in Wisconsin and keep his campaign alive, while Gore needs a good showing in the state to boost his faltering effort.

Jackson and Dukakis, the front-runners in both states, awaited the slow dribble of results from the 2,784 precinct caucuses in Colorado

that will divide 45 national convention delegates.

The Republicans were holding caucuses Monday night in Colorado as well as the Democrats. With Vice President George Bush already having locked up the nomination, Pat Robertson's effort to win some of the state's 36 GOP delegates was a symbolic gesture.

Only about 20,000 Colorado Democrats are expected to turn out for the caucuses, a low turnout that could be good for Jackson, who drew huge crowds Saturday and Sunday in the state. Dukakis countered with endorsements from Colorado Gov. Roy Romer and state Democratic chairman Buie Seawell and his organizational prowess, but Dukakis aides said Jackson should win Colorado.

Jackson and Dukakis are also the front-runners in the AP delegate count. Before the Colorado results were known, Dukakis had 653.55 votes and Jackson 646.55. Gore had 381.8 and Simon 169.5. A total of 468.6 were uncommitted. At the Atlanta in July, 2,082 votes are needed to win.

Jackson released a reply from Nor-

riega on Monday, in which the Panamanian dictator rejects Jackson's plea in a March 22 letter to leave the country.

"I remain convinced that it is in the best interests of the Panamanian people for Gen. Noriega to leave. Today I reiterate my public moral appeal for him to depart," Jackson said.

But Jackson's involvement in the turbulent Panamanian situation drew criticism from the State Department and from Dukakis and Gore.

"In our view proliferation of channels is a tactic that Noriega likes to use to buy time," said State spokesman Phyllis Oakley.

Dukakis told reporters in Milwaukee that "I think it's a bad idea for a private citizen to try to inject himself" into a delicate international situation. But the Massachusetts governor added he thought Jackson had acted out of good intentions.

Gore noted that Jackson had met with other foreign leaders — such as PLO chief Yasser Arafat and Libyan strongman Moammar Gadhafi.

## Shultz works to keep plan alive at peace conference

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — Secretary of State George P. Shultz on Monday sidestepped differences with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on a Middle East peace conference and kept a U.S. peace plan alive by focusing on Palestinian self-rule.

"We do have a sense of movement," a senior U.S. official told reporters after Shultz met separately with Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

A senior Israeli defense official, however, said the government remained deadlocked and the only way to gain acceptance of the plan would be for Shultz to persuade King Hussein of Jordan to accept it.

Shultz will hold talks with Hussein in Amman today, return to Jerusalem with a report for Israeli leaders and shuttle back to the king on Wednesday.

The U.S. plan calls for three years of self-rule, but not statehood, for the 1.5 million Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Negotiations on an overall settlement would open in December. Although Shultz set a mid-March deadline for a reply, Israel, Jordan and Syria have all held back — neither accepting nor rejecting the U.S. plan.

After Shultz met with Shamir for two hours, a spokesman for the prime minister said they were still in disagreement over a Middle East peace conference and talks Shultz held with two members of the Palestine National Council in Washington nine days ago.

But the spokesman, Avi Pazner, said there was "more convergence" between Shultz and Shamir on Palestinian self-rule and an overall settlement.

Similarly, Peres said after his two-hour session with Shultz that he believed "we moved forward even if the road is still long. We went beyond the international conference."

Peres told reporters, "We talked about the substance and form of an interim agreement."

Shultz, meanwhile, said he was encouraged that "we have now engaged in this initiative in the important aspects of its content, namely direct face-to-face negotiations."

Despite reassurances from Shultz that the United States would stand by Israel, Shamir contends an international conference would offer a dangerous opportunity for the Soviet Union to get in the way of direct negotiations with the Arabs and impose an unacceptable settlement.

## Police plan to protect judge, witness

**MOUNDSVILLE, W.Va. (AP)** — A judge and a witness were given police protection Monday after a vengeful cop killer described as "educated and cold-blooded" broke out of a maximum security prison along with two other murderers.

Bobby Stacy, 35, and two other inmates serving life sentences without chance of parole escaped from the West Virginia Penitentiary here on Sunday.

"My fear is that some police officer is going to get killed, because that's this guy's method. He has nothing to lose, plus it's his history," said Charles Hatcher, the assistant Cabell County prosecutor whom Stacy had threatened.

Stacy, formerly of Columbus, Ohio, was convicted of murder in the 1981 killing of a Huntington police officer. At the time of the slaying, he was free on bail on charges that he shot an Ohio patrolman.

Police immediately assigned protection to some of those who helped convict Stacy. Stacy repeatedly threatened at the 1982 trial to kill the judge and the prosecutor, according to Huntington police Lt. Joe Walker.

"He is educated and cold blooded. That's the worst combination there is," Hatcher said in Huntington, 160 miles south of the prison. He said he had no plans to ask for protection for himself.

Roadblocks were set up on routes leading into Ohio and Pennsylvania, which borders Marshall County, where the prison is, to the east.

State police in West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania, as well as sheriff's deputies, combed the countryside, said warden's secretary Jerrie Clutter.

Circuit Judge Alfred E. Ferguson, who asked that an extra sheriff's bailiff be assigned to him, said he was concerned about his safety.

## IBM sells electronics to competition in Japan

**NEW YORK (AP)** — International Business Machines Corp. has secretly supplied some competitors with sophisticated computer chips, but officials deny the move was part of an effort to stay ahead of Japanese rivals, according to a published report.

In an interview IBM's vice chairman and highest-ranking engineer, Jack D. Kuehler, denied industry speculation that the company was acting to prevent its American competitors from becoming dependent on Japanese suppliers for chips.

The chip is the core technology in advanced computers.

Kuehler acknowledged that for more than two years the company has offered small supplies of advanced chips to fewer than a dozen American and European computer makers.

The company did so "to sharpen our own competitiveness" by letting other computer makers choose between IBM's chips and those offered by Japanese companies, he said.

## Rabin denies report on Chinese arms deal

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Sunday denied a published report that Israel agreed to sell advanced missile technology to China.

The *Sunday Times* of London reported that five Israeli military specialists secretly went to China in November and struck a deal to supply China with missile warheads and armor-piercing devices developed by Israel.

It said there were indications Israel has been helping China develop a fighter plane using technology de-

"Sometimes we found we were deficient and we have worked to correct that," he said. "Sometimes we found we were truly leaders."

But the *New York Times* reported that other industry officials suspected that IBM had other motives in acting as a chip supplier to competitors, such as driving down its own production costs.

"IBM is in the unusual position of having to worry about the global competitiveness of American chip technology," said Richard Shaffer, editor of the *Technologic Computer Letter*.

IBM officials have said the company's own health depends on maintaining a strong domestic ability to produce chips, train a large number of microelectronic engineers and sustain a strong semiconductor equipment manufacturing business. This is so IBM will not need to depend on Japan for the most up-to-date technology, they said.

The company also has said it was selling only its chips, not its underlying designs or process technology.

rived from Israel's canceled Lavi jet fighter.

"The report that we assist China to develop ground-to-ground missiles is simply nonsense," Rabin told Israel radio. "There is no basis to the report as it was published today."

Rabin also denied Israel was helping China develop a warplane with Lavi technology.

Development of the Lavi, financed mainly by the United States, was canceled last year after Washington complained about delays and rising costs.

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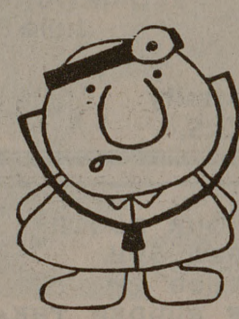
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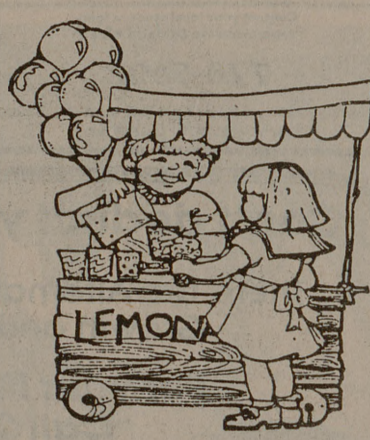
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