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Jackson vies for votes from Jews in New York

WASHINGTON (AP) — The headline in the New York Post — "Koch to Jews: 'You've got to be crazy to vote for Jesse'" — screamed out in boldface what Jesse Jackson is up against as he tries to make headway among Jewish voters.

In New York, with its large and influential Jewish population, the April 19 primary looms as the setting for perhaps the most negative response Jackson has encountered to his 1988 Democratic presidential campaign.

Jackson thus far has largely ignored the veiled references to his Arab sympathies by rivals Albert Gore Jr. and Michael Dukakis. But in the next two weeks, Gore and Dukakis are certain to make more pointed comparisons on their Middle East records.

In addition, Jewish groups are

planning to demonstrate against Jackson. Two ad-hoc committees have formed to distribute critical material. And the mayor of New York, Ed Koch, has gone all out with anti-Jackson rhetoric.

"A vast majority of Jews will not vote for him," said Michael Miller, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York.

"I'm getting dozens of letters every week with expressions of concern about the Jackson campaign," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper of the Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies in Los Angeles. "We will absolutely not support a Jackson candidacy . . . because he is not a friend of the state of Israel."

Some Jewish leaders acknowledge that Jackson's efforts to mend fences with the Jews since 1984 and the

generally more mainstream his campaign have cut down antipathy toward him.

A recent New York poll by Marist College Institute for Opinion showed Jewish attitudes toward him in general are — 36 percent favorable and 62 percent unfavorable in 1987, compared to 17 percent favorable and 62 percent unfavorable in 1984.

But Jackson still is a controversial figure in many Jewish circles and he has gotten few Jewish votes because he is perceived as anti-Israel, anti-Arab or both, several community political leaders said.

The fact that Jackson has a campaign manager, Geraldine Wis, and a Jewish key adviser, Wis, does not placate many in the Jewish community.

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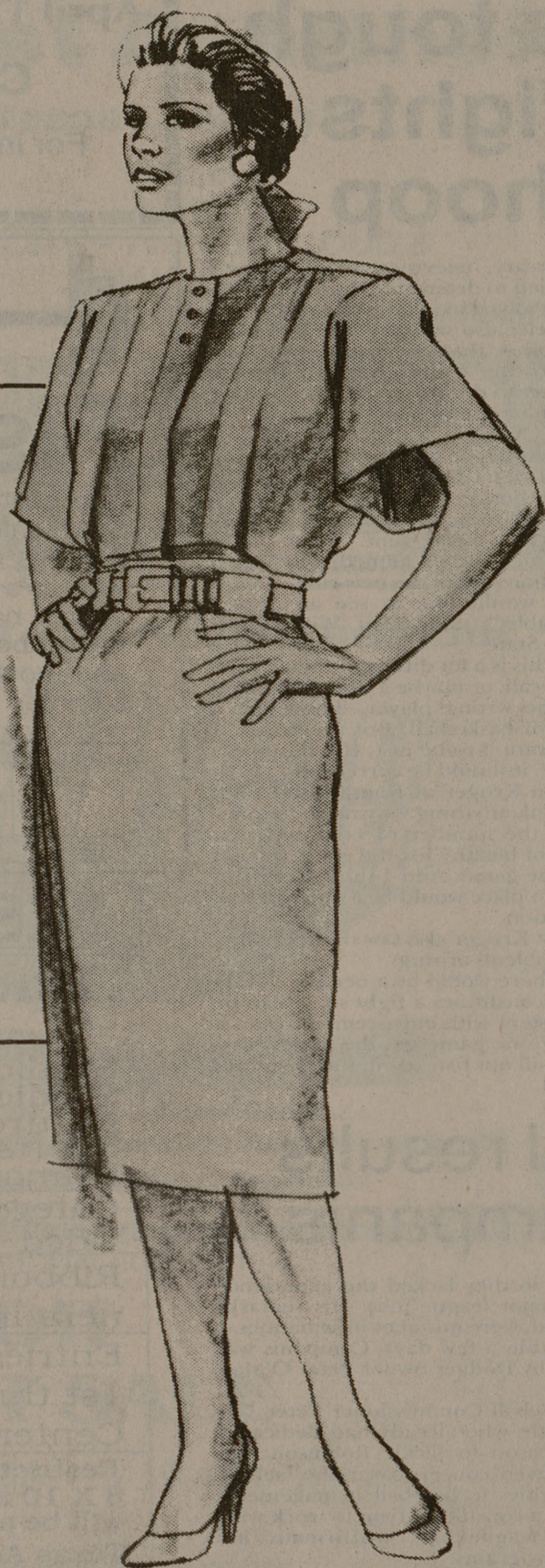
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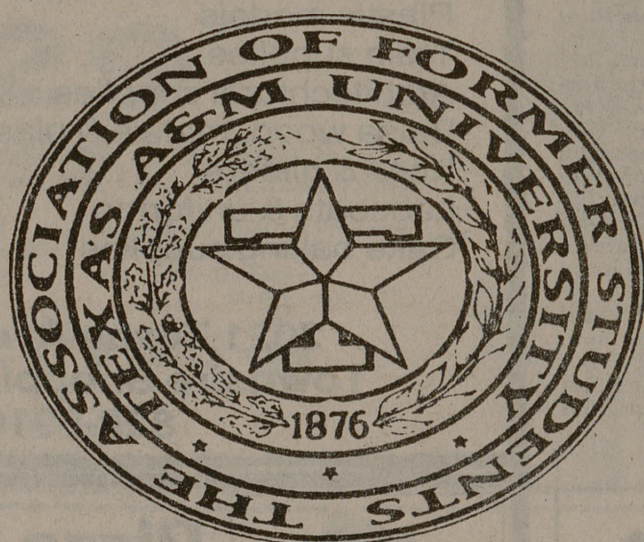
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Ex-Meese aide praises Reagan at luncheon

HOUSTON (AP) — William Weld, one of two top officials who abruptly left the Justice Department last week, praised the Reagan administration's crime-fighting efforts Wednesday but declined to discuss his resignation.

The former assistant attorney general of the criminal division said he plans to keep conversations he had with Attorney General Edwin Meese III about his departure private "at least until there are any hearings on the subject."

Weld was the guest speaker Wednesday at a crime prevention luncheon sponsored by the Exchange Clubs of Greater Houston. He did not talk about his resignation during his address, but spoke about it briefly to reporters prior to his speech.

Last week, Weld and Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns resigned out of concern that the nearly 11-month criminal investigation of Meese by independent counsel James C. McKay was hurting the department's operations and image.

"I have, to this point, not gone into my thinking on the (department)," he said when asked if the Justice Department's reputation had been hurt by the investigation. "I'm going to try and leave it that way."

Weld would not say whether he had been asked to appear before any congressional hearing on the matter, but added, "I would not need a subpoena from the Hill" to appear.

He said he will return to Boston in the fall where he either will teach at Harvard, join a law firm or do a combination of both. Until then, he will remain in Washington where his children attend school.

"I'm not expecting to do anything but go fishing between now and the fall," Weld said.

When asked why he would not comment on his reasons for resigning, he said, "I think that'll all come out in time."

Weld said he was invited to make the speech in Houston before he resigned.

About 200 people attended the luncheon, including several law enforcement officers and local, state and federal officials. The function was to honor two policemen as "Officers of the Year."

Weld told the group that Americans feel threatened by criminals.

World briefs

Fitzwater disputes Reagan's remarks

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater today described as "a throwaway remark" a comment by President Reagan indicating approval of the notion of pardoning indicted former aide Oliver North.

Reagan did not say that he would pardon former White House aides or others accused in the Iran-Contra affair. But, after hearing a proposal for pardons, he did say "I like the sound of those words," said one congressman quoted in *The Washington Post*.

Another congressman questioned Reagan as saying, "I like the sound of what you said," after Rep. Henry J. Hyde suggested the president should pardon North and former national security adviser John Poindexter at the end of Reagan's term.

Hyde, R-Ill., suggested pardons be signed during ceremonies at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, according to *The Post*.

During a briefing for reporters at this seaside resort, not far from Reagan's ranch in the Santa Monica Mountains, Fitzwater was questioned.

Alleged dealer held for agent's death

WASHINGTON (AP) — A month-long U.S.-Honduran operation culminating in a pre-dawn police raid in Honduras put an alleged international cocaine trafficker in Illinois federal prison Wednesday for questioning in the slaying of a U.S. drug agent, officials said.

A "stunned" Juan Ramon Matta Ballesteros was lodged at the maximum-security federal prison in Marion, Ill., after Honduran officials on Tuesday hustled him onto a plane to the Dominican Republic without passport, U.S. law enforcement sources said.

Dominican Republic officials put Matta on a flight to New York, where he was arrested by U.S. marshals, the sources said.

Howard Safir, the chief of operations for the U.S. Marshals Service who is a former Drug Enforcement Administration spokesman, spent the past month in Honduras spearheading the effort to get Matta into U.S. custody, a source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Troops agree on cease-fire zones

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Contra and Sandinista military representatives agreed Wednesday on seven zones where rebels will gather during their 60-day cease-fire, state radio reported.

The two sides remained far apart, however, on key issues to bring about a permanent peace.

The meeting in the southern border town of Sapoa, the fourth set of talks in less than a month, dealt with the mechanics of pursuing the truce which went into effect Friday.

Computer usage falters among adults

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Americans have home computers, but only about half of the adults with them actually use the machines, the Census Bureau reported Wednesday.

Nearly three-quarters of children who had access to a home computer used it, however, the bureau found.

The seemingly low usage of home computers should not be too surprising, Census Bureau statistician Robert Kominsky reported's author, said.

The report was based on a survey of computer use taken in October 1984, the only time the bureau has looked at the issue. Analysis and reporting of the findings was delayed by the pressure of other work, Kominsky said.

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