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WORLD & NATION

Friday, August 4, 1989

House ignores president's veto threats by approving \$159 billion S&L bailout deficit will increase \$44 billion in 3 year

Thursday shrugged off a veto threat from President Bush and approved a \$159 billion savings and loan bailout that would swell the federal deficit by \$44 billion over the next three years.

On a 221-199 vote, the House approved the biggest financial rescue package since the Depression, sending the legislation to the Senate floor for a showdown between Bush and Democrats before Congress adjourns on Friday.

Hours before the vote, Bush threatened to veto the bill if Democrats rejected his demand to raise the money for the bailout through 30-year private bonds in order to keep the costs from showing up in the federal deficit.

The vote in the House was short of the two-thirds needed to override such a veto. Support-ing the bill were 182 Democrats and 39 Republicans; voting against it were 67 Democrats and 132 Republicans.

"On budget tells the American people the truth about the costs they will be bearing rather than hiding it in some high-cost, off-budget mechanism," Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, chairman of the House Banking Committee, said.

In a letter to congressional leaders, Bush said

Thursday he was "prepared to work with Congress" on a compromise but administration officials acknowledged there was little room for one.

While members of both parties characterized the dispute over the bailout's financing as incongressively. sequential, Rep. Jim Leach, R-Iowa, said Bush

was only trying to preserve a focus on reducing the federal deficit each year.

"Frankly, the president is not a spoiled child and all of us ought to understand that," Leach said. "Congress has been caught with its hands in

the cookie jar and the president is asking for nothing less than responsible discipline." The legislation would close or merge between 350 and 500 S&Ls and protect savers whose fed-

and of S&Ls and protect savers whose rederally insured deposits were lost through failed and often fraudulent loans.

In addition to the rescue, the bill would institute a major overhaul of the government's regulation of the nation's nearly 3,000 thrifts and require their own money at rick of their own money at risk.

The dispute between Bush and Congress had little to do with the specifics of the far-ranging plan to reorganize the federal government's regulation over the troubled industry. Instead, it

centered on a seemingly arcane questions the cost of the bailout would be counted the federal deficit.

The legislation would balloon the bud cit, but the bailout cost would not be in calculations for automatic spending cuts eral programs. Bush said that could set a dent that would undermine legislation may ing automatic spending cuts if the deficite

annual targets. Bush favors evading the cuts by simp ing the spending out of the deficit in be place, but Senate Democratic Leader & Mitchell said that amounted to "fiscal

Sponsors of the bill also said Bush's plan cost taxpayers another \$150 million a year the next three decades because private bon raising the money would carry higher in rates than if the money was borrowed di through the Treasury.

"We're not very interested in comprom on the fundamental principle, which is we Gramm-Rudman," said assistant Treasury tary David Mullins, referring to the 198 which prohibits a budget deficit above \$111 lion in fiscal 1990.

Man tries to pass for doctor by using fraudulent diplomas

man who has worked as a consulting physician since 1986 and served residencies at hospitals in Florida and Texas was charged with fraud after investigators found fake medical school diplomas in his office.

Robert Francis Perry, 37, who

owns and operates a medical research firm in Boca Raton, represented himself as a medical doctor, although he neither attended medical school nor obtained a license to practice medicine, Glen Hughes, a Palm Beach County State Attorney investigator, said.

Perry was free Thursday on \$1,000 bail following his Tuesday ar-

rest.

Also taken from the office were stencils with Old English-style letters Physician's Research Associates Inc., Perry reviewed medical records for medical school. lawyers all over the country, advising

was terminated when he could not come up with proper credentials, a summary of his four-month inves-hospital spokesman Omar Montejo tigation. said. Perry's list of clients included doc-

WASHINGTON (AP) — A fed-

\$50 million to the families of 137

passengers killed when a Korean Air Lines plane strayed into Soviet territory and was shot down six years

All 269 people aboard were killed in the Sept. 1, 1983 disaster.

The jury of three men and three women decided on punitive damages two hours after returning a vertical state.

Several family members clapped

their hands when the finding of will-ful misconduct was announced, and

KAL victims' families

eral court jury Wednesday awarded ages, if upheld, will be shared \$50 million to the families of 137 equally by the 137 families. Families

The jury concluded that actions by KAL's crew aboard Flight 007 were a cause of the aircraft's destruction by a missile-firing Soviet 5-1

awarded \$50 million

The Driscoll Foundation Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas, also confirmed Wednesday that Perry had been a resident at the hospital from July 1983 until June 1984, but was let go there as well af-ter questions were raised about his

Investigators who visited Perry's office Tuesday seized framed certificates and diplomas indicating work in other states and countries. Among the items confiscated was a 60-page packet of blank diplomas, similar to a packet of typing paper, from the Universidad Centro de Estudios Tecnicos in Santo Domingo, the Dominican Republic.

The Worcester, Mass., native, who them on medical malpractice cases.

From June to December 1985
Perry worked as a pediatric resident at Miami Children's Hospital, but Presented himself as a doctor so he charged his lawyer clients \$500 for a preliminary case screening and \$125 an hour after that, repeatedly misrecould earn a living, Hughes wrote in

The \$50 million punitive dam-

of victims who did not sue get no

conduct, the families would have been limited to compensation of \$75,000 per passenger, a figure set by international treaty.

With the finding, the families are

free to seek individual damages for

lawsuits were consolidated into one

case in Washington to determine

only whether misconduct occured

and whether punitive damages

Without the finding of willful mis-

tors and lawyers all over Florida, as well as from Alabama, Louisiana, Washington, D.C., California, Nevada and Texas. A prominent Stuart law firm, which four years ago nego-tiated a multimillion-dollar set-tlement believed to be the largest ever in Florida, was one of Perry's

The Stuart firm of Gary, Williams and Parenti had worked with Perry for a year. Robert Parenti said Wednesday that he knew nothing about the allegations against Perry and that they surprised him. Fort Lauderdale lawyer Timothy

Hmielewski, who has known Perry for nearly three years, said he has given him tens of thousands of dol-

"He's no fraud. . . . I've yet to meet anybody who's Bob's peer in really reviewing the record. He does an outstanding job. He obviously learned some medicine somewhere."

Perry is listed in the American Academy of Pediatrics, said Dr. Rod-ney Dorand, a Montgomery, Ala., doctor and lawyer. That is how Dorand said he verified Perry's credentials two years ago.

"If he isn't practicing medicine, he hasn't defrauded anybody," Dorand said. "That's not a great big crime,

when you think about it."

Perry's credentials are impressive, including boasts of work at the University of Massachusetts, Harvard and the University of Miami.

In documents filed with the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, Perry said he went to medical school at the Universidad Valle Del Bravo in Mexico.

Divers search for 6 workers on capsized

MORGAN CITY, La. (AP) Divers Thursday searched submerged crew quarters of capsized oil rig for six men ming since the structure of turned four days earlier and Coast Guard set an investiga of the accident to begin

At least four people drown in the accident. Three bod were found in the crew quarte Wednesday and one more

discovered overnight.

The investigation of the and dent begins Tuesday with a pulic hearing in Morgan City, at Lt. Steven Hardy of the Card Office there.

"We'll talk with the crew of viously and we'll probably at talk to some of the people with the crew of the

talk to some of the people on

beach who had communicate with the vessel," Hardy said. Chevron leased the rig from Louisiana company and hired be vers to search the rig for the misng men.

The "jackup rig," with legs in can be moved up while traveling or down while drilling, fell on side in 30 feet of water Mond while heading inland as Hum cane Chantal approached. Four other crewmen were 18

cued immediately after the acc The search, delayed by rou seas in the wake of Chantal, sumed Wednesday.

The identities of the dead me were being withheld pending n tification of their families, Che ron spokesman Jonathan Linesaid.

Hurricane Dean moves away from Puerto Rico

Hurricane Dean veered away from the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico on Thursday, carrying its 85 mph winds farther out to sea and reducing the threat to the Florida coast, forecasters said.

They said the season's second hurricane would probably sweep

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) —

150 miles north of Puerto Rico

way up the Atlantic Ocean.
The National Weather Set islands of the eastern Caribbean cluding the Virgin Islands Puerto Rico, where authorities begun putting emergency measu

Study will focus on AIDS education of migrant workers in 8-state region He said migrants will be surveyed

searchers at Georgia Southern College are coordinating an eight-state study aimed at educating migrant farm workers about the risks of acquiring the deadly AIDS virus.

David Foulk, director of the col-

ege's Center for Rural Health, said Wednesday the purpose of the project is to develop educational and prevention programs for migrants.

A smaller study conducted in

Georgia last year indicated that migrant workers were ill-informed about the disease and how it is spread, he said. "What makes it critical is that they

are a hard-to-reach population," he said. "They don't have the benefit of all the educational and preventive programs that are available to the rest of the population."

The AIDS Eastern Stream Pro-

ect, named for the annual flow of

migrants from Florida to Delaware,

is designed to assess the workers' un-derstanding of the disease. Foulk said it is not an attempt to determine how many workers might have the

The Georgia study showed that many migrants did not know AIDS could be transmitted through heterosexual intercourse or by sharing hypodermic needles.

Thousands of migrants move up the East Coast each year to harvest crops ranging from tomatoes to to-

"We don't know what the prevalence is in that population," said they deserve the same

something about a deadly disease." Foulk said many of the migrants don't speak English and get their information from Spanish-language

The study magazines and newspapers sent to them from their native countries.

at various sites along the East Coast to learn more about their sexual practices and travels.

States taking part include Florida, Georgia, South and North Carolina, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Tennessee.

"Findings from the new study could have a great deal of significance on future approaches to AIDS education and prevention programming in migrant populations," Foulk

The GSC center's staff includes Jerry Lafferty, dean of the School of Health and Professional Studies; Rebecca Ryan, coordinator of research treatment in terms of trying to do projects; and Frank Radovich of the school's Department of Health Sci-

The study began about four months ago and will continue through October.

lifted hurricane warnings for all

A flash-flood watch remained effect for the U.S. Virgin Island but it was lifted for Puerto Rico Puerto Rican National 6 canceled plans to evacuate

people from flood-prone areas. Bob Sheets, director of the tional Hurricane Center in Gables, Fla., said Puerto Rico the U.S. Virgin Islands could some heavy rain and gusting with the real problems."

"The biggest problem in the lands is usually flash floods mudslides, so there is some port for that," he said, "but it's not so to be as if the core of the storm

coming across there." Sheets said the storm, which been heading toward Florida curving to the north, away f land, and did not pose an immed

threat to the U.S. mainland. "It is not a problem for the two to three days and probable not become a problem," he "There is still a chance it mig blocked and turned back to the but that's unlikely at this moment At noon EDT, the hurrio

center was at latitude 19.5 north longitude 63.3 west, or 200 east-northeast of San Juan.