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Pro-reform candidates, Yeltsin fill Soviet party spots after elections

ter reform won elections across the nation's Slavic heartland, and Boris N. Yeltsin easily gained a legislative seat in the Russian republic, unofficial returns indicated Monday.

Yeltsin has said he will seek the presidency of the republic, which traditionally means a place on the Communist Party's ruling Politburo. That could return the Communist maverick to the membership he lost in February 1988 for advo-

cating speedier change.

Leaders of popular movements in the Ukraine and Byelorussia, an outspoken television commentator in Leningrad and a defiant editor in

Moscow also appeared to have won in Sunday's local and republic elections.

"We're so happy! Such success!" said Irina Rozhenko of the Ukrainian pro-democracy movement Narodny Rukh.

Byelorussia, the Ukraine and the vast Russian

republic account for 80 percent of the Soviet Union and more than two-thirds of its 290 mil-

Most of the 1,800 contests for seats in the legislatures of the three republics remained undecided, with no candidate getting the required majority. State TV said fewer than 15 percent were resolved in the Russian republic

Activists said strong showings in this round nearly guaranteed victories in runoff elections for candidates who want to step up the pace of reforms begun by President Mikhail S. Gorba-

chev. The runoffs are expected in two weeks.

Defeat of old guard local Communist leaders probably would help Gorbachev's liberalization.

He has railed against functionaries who hamper reform, and people hoping to exercise new economic freedoms have told of crippling obstacles

erected by local party officials.

Ukraine party chief Vladimir A. Ivashko, considered a moderate protege of Gorbachev, qualified for a runoff against an opponent backed by the Narodny Rukh pro-democracy group. Vitaly I. Vorotnikov, president of the Russian republic, defeated a lone opponent in the city of Krasnodar, winning 71.3 percent of the votes cast.

Preliminary figures showed Yeltsin, who said he will challenge Vorotnikov for the repu presidency, got 72 percent of the vote in his trict of Sverdlovsk in the Ural Mountains. He feated 11 other candidates, said Anatoly M seyev of the Russian Federation Election

Narodny Rukh members said the movement leader, poet Ivan Drach, was elected in the round along with several other prominent at

Zyanon Paznyak, leader of the Byelorus People's Front, got 59 percent of the vote in Minsk district, said spokesman Victor Ivalia vich. He said activist candidates appeared to he carried cities but party "apparatchiks," include Byelorussian party chief Yefrem Sokolov, w rural districts.

In Leningrad, Bella Kurkova, controv commentator of the television program "Meel," appeared to be the only first-round in ner, said IMA Press, an official youth to

Jurors chosen for trial of Poindexter

WASHINGTON (AP) Twenty-one people, including a lawyer who worked for the Bush presidential campaign, were cho-sen prospective jurors Monday as the selection process began for the Iran-Contra trial of former National Security Adviser John Poindexter.

Poindexter is charged with five felony counts — one of conspiracy, two of obstructing Congress and two of making false statements to congressional committees — in connection with accusations that he covered up Oliver North's secret Contra resupply network and lied about a 1985 shipment of Hawk missiles

He is the highest-ranking Reagan administration official to go on trial in the Iran-Contra affair. U.S. District Judge Harold Greene disqualified one woman

who expressed uncertainty when asked whether she could be fair and impartial. The judge also disqualified an equipment operator who said that "when the whole thing was going down" following public disclosure of the Iran-Contra affair "all you heard was North and Poindexter." Seventeen of the first 21 in the pool were women

Two hundred six people have filled out questionnaires to be possible jurors for the trial, and 76 of them have said they had heard, watched or read portions of congressional testimony Poindexter gave in 1987 under a grant of immunity from prosecution based on what he said.

The judge approved for the jury pool a real estate lawyer who worked in President Bush's campaign. Bush was President Reagan's vice president at the time.

The woman also said one of Poindexter's defense lawyers, Joseph Small, had babysat for her when she was a child.

Iran-Contra prosecutor Dan Webb questioned whether she should be in the jury pool since she knew one of the defense law-

'Complete chaos'

South African troops advance to quell mass looting, arson

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) - The South African government sent troops into the black home-land of Ciskei on Monday to quell widespread looting and arson following a military coup that ousted the territory's authoritarian president.

Brig. Gen. Oupa Gqozo of the Ciskei army, who seized power Sunday, told cheering supporters the African National Congress and other anti-apartheid groups would be allowed to operate freely under his new government.

South African Foreign Minister Pik Botha said his government intervened at the request of Gqozo, who led the bloodless coup in the nominally independent

homeland on the Indian Ocean coast.

More than 50 factories, many owned by Israelis and Taiwanese, were set afire in a second day of rioting and looting in several parts of Ciskei, witnesses said. Two hotels and dozens of vehicles also were burned, they

There were no deaths reported in Sunday's coup, but doctors at Cecilia Makilwane Hospital said three people were fatally stabbed and dozens more injured in the

"All the shops and factories were burning," said an employee at a local hotel. "Everybody was looting and

Rioters, many of them drunk, broke into shops, moved goods, and then set buildings ablaze with fire bombs, the witnesses said. Looters used wheelban to haul away stoves, refrigerators and other items, of

Witnesses said the looting spread Monday evening the black and mixed-race townships outside the Soul African port city of East London, about 40 miles from Ciskei's capital of Bisho.

Botha said Monday his government would not "en tertain any request" to intervene in the homeland, but the troops were sent in shortly afterward when the low

ing began again.

Gqozo received a rousing cheer Monday when told thousands of people at a stadium in Bisho that the African National Congress and other anti-aparthe groups would be free to engage in political activity in

The ANC is the main black group fighting South Africa's white-run government. South African President F.W. de Klerk legalized the ANC last month, but some homeland leaders still don't allow the group to operate

Kohl: No border guarantee

BONN, West Germany (AP) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Monday defended his demand that a guarantee of Poland's border be linked to Warsaw's renunciation of war reparations, saying Poland has been demanding compensation for forced laborers used in the Third Reich.

In East Berlin, meanwhile, Communists and opposition parties agreed to submit a broad social charter to lawmakers in both Germanys designed to protect East Germans against social hardships once the countries merge under a capitalist

The charter, adopted at weekly negotiations between the Communists and 15 opposition groups, demands that the right to work and the right to accommodation be enshrined in the constitution of a united Germany.

It also calls for guarantees of democratic and humane working conditions, education and health services its neighbors that a unified Germany protect the ethnic rights of its Ger for all, protection of pensions, equal- would not be a threat.

tion for the disabled.

guarantees about its border has led to a widening split with Foreign Min-ister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, and

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the two met privately Monday to discuss the issue.

Genscher has been saying that 1953 renunciation of war rep West Germany must make clear to rations and of its pledge last year

"This not only concerns Poland trust, but that of all Europeans," Kohl's refusal to give Poland told the ZDF television network.

> Kohl has said he has no designsor land ceded to Poland after the Third Reich's defeat - about a third of modern-day Poland.

Kohl faces West German election in December and is apparently concerned about losing the conservative

Polish Prime Minister Tadeus Mazowiecki has called on both Ger manys to begin negotiations on treaty that would recognize the Ode and Neisse rivers, which current form the border, as the permane boundary between Poland and Ger

On Friday, Kohl said such a trea would have to be tied to Polands man minority.

National, international organizations line up to cash in on 'peace dividend'

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the past week or so, claims against the peace dividend have been hardliners were to take over in Moscow. posted by the nation's governors, advocates of U.S. aid to the emerging democracies of eastern Europe and Central America, and 79 U.S. sen-

They'll have to get into line with all the others looking to cash in on defense spending cuts to finance other aims — or to cut taxes.

"One of my colleagues ... sent me a note saying he felt that half of the peace dividend should be applied to education," said Speaker of the House homas S. Foley. "And half of it to health. And half of it to deficit reduction. And half of it to tax reduction. And half of it to the infrastructure.

And half of it to creating a new mathematics to explain how six halves equal one whole.

It's a harmless political pastime right now, because there isn't any peace dividend to pay for other things or cut the deficit this year. The peace dividend is peace," says Vice Presi-

But nobody doubts that the defense budget is going to be cut, freeing resources to go elsewhere, unless there is an incredible reversal of the already incredible change that has swept eastward to Moscow, easing if not ending the

The Pentagon warns that reversal could happen, but CIA Director William H. Webster told

The administration isn't forecasting a budget bonus now or soon, resisting pressure in Congress to carve one out of defense spending. There are certain to be cuts in the administra-

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tion's \$296 billion defense budget, an increase in dollars although not enough to match inflation. But Democrat Foley said that in the early phases, it will be difficult to wring major savings out of defense cuts that close bases, recall troops from abroad or cancel weapons contracts.

The immediate impact is sometimes to increase costs in the short term," he said. "But

there's no question ... we're talking about versignificant savings to be realized." Foley said thinks the eventual savings should be split, half reduce the federal deficit, half to "the social def

cit" of financially strapped domestic programs. Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Tex., raised the issue the Senate last week with an amendment sugges ing that any peace dividend be used to cut taxe He said the only discussion had been about way to spend the money, when the government shouldn't spend it at all but should give it back!

"I do not believe it is too dramatic to say that the No. 1 issue of the 1990s, if things continue to move in the current direction in eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, will be what to do with the peace dividend," Gramm said.

Before the Senate got to its hypothetical legislation, the National Governors Conference had adopted a resolution urging President Bush " dedicate the peace dividend in a balanced manner between the federal budget deficit, education

and other productivity investments. There were no numbers attached.

Nor were there any dividend estimates when congressional advocates of aid for the new elected government of Nicaragua and the fledg ling democracies of eastern Europe put in their bids, saying defense savings should finance eco

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