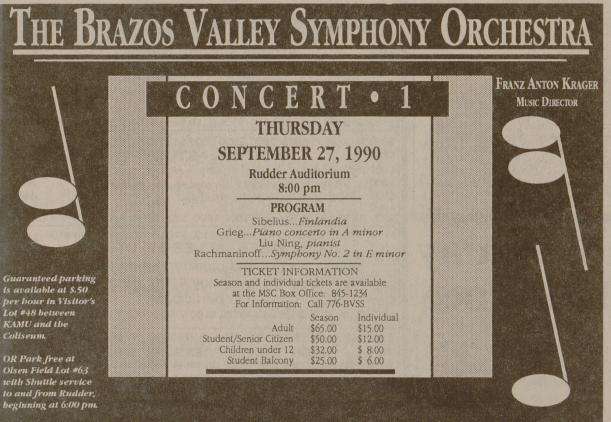
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Hussein's warnings continue

#### Iraqi address cautions U.S. of war harsher than Vietnam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said in a message to Americans broadcast Tuesday that President Bush was sending Americans to a war more terrible than Vietnam.

In a 75-minute address taped last week, Saddam warned that if Bush were to launch war against Iraq, "it

would not be up to him to end it."
Sitting at his desk with an Iraqi
flag at his side, Saddam said he was
addressing his message to the American people to explain the truth behind Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion and occupation of Kuwait.

The rambling address, peppered with references to Allah and his teachings, repeatedly accused Bush and Kuwait's rulers of plotting to impoverish his country and steal its oil.

"Bush, ladies and gentlemen, is sending your sons to war for no purpose save fatal arrogance," Saddam

Saddam spoke in Arabic. His remarks were translated with English

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The U.S. decision to deploy troops in Saudi Arabia and the possible war that could ensue would be a repeat of the Vietnam experience for the United States, except "more violent and causing bigger losses,"

CNN began airing portions of the tape at 3 p.m., while other networks scheduled excerpts for their evening news shows. None granted Saddam's request that the entire tape be

Saddam accused Bush of lacking faith in God, and of "promoting a form of neo-Nazism" by styling himself as the leader of the free world.

He challenged Bush, again, to an international television debate so that he could tell the world the facts about Iraq's actions and so that the American leader could learn about his intentions.

Iraq detained some Americans ered, and usurped.'

them "as guests in houses of staff" in order to prevent the Uni States from launching a war would be disastrous to all, Sadd

U.S. officials say Saddam is ho ing 93 Americans, some of the key military and financial inst tions, as "human shields" to ward attack.

Iraq desires peace, but one that based on a broad resolution of all region's problems, Saddam said. repeated his call for a peace con ence that would resolve Israel's year occupation of Arab lands, S ia's 14-year occupation of Lebano and Iraq's claims to Kuwait.

Kuwait, he said, was part of la under the Ottoman Empire until British took control of the country 1899. He called for "the return Kuwait to the fold of Iraq, its mo erland from which it was long &

#### Increased gasoline prices predicted as oil tops \$40

NEW YORK (AP) — As crude oil since Iraq invaded Kuwait lapproaches \$40 per barrel, some month. Saddam Hussein's sabera approaches \$40 per barrel, some analysts say consumers should enjoy \$1.35 a gallon gasoline while they

Gas prices are likely to go up, perhaps even beyond \$2 per gallon, if a shooting war breaks out in the Persian Gulf, experts said Tuesday. And if oil should stay high for a sustained period, the fallout will be widespread, running up the cost of practically everything while slowing economic growth.

"This is not good news for the consumer," said Peter Beutel, an oil analyst with Pegasus Econometric Group Inc. in Hoboken, N.J. "The problem with energy is it permeates the economy like a ripple in a pond. It's not just the price of heating oil and the price of gasoline.

Not all analysts believe oil will stay as high as it is, saying too much war hysteria may have been built into the market. They say Iraq's ability to take out Saudi Arabian oil facilities may be overestimated, and replacing a bombed oil well is much simpler than replacing a bombed factory. Others, including Beutel, say \$40

barrels of oil seem inevitable in the near future. Some estimates have put oil at \$60 to \$65 during a war. Oil prices have climbed steadily

tling this week put them less than away from the ominous \$40 figu Crude last reached that plateau cade ago, in the last oil crisis.
"What it means, I'm afraid,

solid terms, is the consumer is pr ably going to be lucky to find \$1 gasoline, and probably a lot more gasoline, "Beutel said. "We're prob bly going to see the average or sumer pay 50 percent more for he ing oil than he did last year."

Stanley Feldman, a finance fessor at Bentley College in Bos does not predict sustained oil pl at \$40. But consumers would be

hard if it happens.
"At \$40-a-barrel oil, you're probly looking at somewhere does \$1.90 for regular gasoline, ma \$2," Feldman said.

Gasoline and heating oil are on monly watched when crude st getting more expensive. But A ica is so dependent on oil that price of many other items would be affected.

Air fares, for instance, have creased to accommodate higher fuel, while drugs and foods w also be affected. They depende for their production, transportat and refrigeration.

### J.N. orders halt to Iraqi air traffic

**Associated Press** 

The U.N. Security Council on Tuesday voted 14-1 to impose an air embargo against Iraq in retaliation for its invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

It was the ninth resolution passed by the Security Council condemning Baghdad and its leader, Saddam Hussein, for its blitzkrieg of Kuwait. Resolution 670 calls on all

member states of the United Nations to deny landing rights to airplanes coming from Iraq or Ku-

Only flights authorized by the Security Council's sanctions committee will be allowed to go to Iraq and Kuwait, and then only

after they have been inspected to confirm they are carrying to manitarian cargo — food or med

nations to "detain any ships of Iraqi registry which enter the ports and which are being or have been used in violation of Resolu tion 661," the council's origina trade embargo resolution. Cuba, which has said it

It also calls on all U.N. member

against any sanctions, cast the lone dissenting vote in the specia session, which extended the pow ers of an earlier U.N. trade em

bargo.
The lightening Kuwaiti tale over left Iraq in control of 20 per cent of the world's oil reserves.

World prices of oil have nea doubled since the invasion to a most \$40 a barrel.

### Drug task force bill stalk spon with debate over funding Repu

WASHINGTON (AP) - The House threw the fate of 49 drug-fighting task forces in Texas back day decided to allow debate of amendment by Rep. Albert Bu into limbo Tuesday.

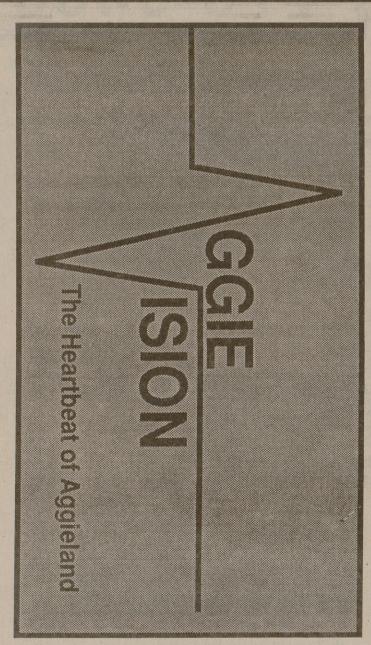
A dispute grew over the way the 1990 crime bill funds the task forces. The measure calls for direct distribution, instead of state administra-tion, of federal money to local agen-

But House members disagreed with the rule for debating the bill and sent it back to the Rules Committee for another try.

The Rules Committee late M amendment by Rep. Albert Bus mante, D-San Antonio, that wo save the interagency task forces.

There was no word late Tue afternoon from the committee it would reconsider the crime bil

If the measure never reaches floor, funds would continue to administered through the state they have been for four years, Mark Schnabel, who monitors enforcement legislation for the of Texas.



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