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*Soviet invasion of Baltic states*

# Thousands mourn in silent capital

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of people bid a tearful farewell in the silenced Lithuanian capital Wednesday to nine countrymen martyred at the hands of Soviet soldiers.

In the neighboring republic of Latvia, Soviet forces shot and killed one man as he drove across a bridge in the capital of Riga.

In Moscow, Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev cited rising tensions in urging the legislature to take control of the national media. He was particularly unhappy about a critical press account of Sunday's military assault on Lithuania's broadcast center, which left 14 people dead.

A crowd police estimated to be as large as 1 million jammed the city's Roman Catholic cathedral, a square surrounding it and the funeral route that wound through narrow streets to a hilltop cemetery.

A tenth person was being buried in Kaunas, a neighboring Lithuanian city. Four others were buried separately.

In a eulogy, Russian Orthodox clergyman Metropolitan Khrisostom acknowledged that

ethnic Russians had been involved in the killings and apologized.

"This is a shame for all of us," he said. "Believe me, Lithuanians, we Russians are with you."

Calling for peace, he added, "It is not possible to stop blood with blood."

Men listening outside the Vilnius cathedral doffed their fur hats during the two-hour service despite the chill wind, and many people held candles, illuminating the overcast northern day.

"They are real heroes," said Vincus Gursky, a 59-year-old schoolteacher who held a candle outside the cathedral. "What else would you call someone who bravely sticks his chest out in front of a tank?"

In Latvia, officials said a 39-year-old man was shot in the head by so-called "black berets," under control of the Soviet Interior Ministry. He was taken to the First Riga Hospital, and died there, Dr. Juris Lange said.

The man, identified as Roberts Murnieks, was driving on a bridge leading to the northern suburb of Vecmilgravis, where Soviet military bases are located, officials said.

Black berets have been shooting out the tires of heavy vehicles parked on the bridge to act as barricades, but it was not clear whether Murnieks was killed by accident. No other information was available.

In another incident, black berets stopped a van, forced the occupants onto the pavement and set fire to the vehicle, said Sakari Nupponen, a Finnish journalist driving by at the time.

Latvian President Anatolijs Gorbunovs told a news conference on Wednesday he would consider forming a coalition government with opponents if they dropped demands that Latvia suspend its independence declaration.

Tallinn, the capital of Estonia, remained quiet. But police and home guards protected the parliament building. 6708802 Fire hoses were ready for use against attackers, and 1,000 gas masks were in boxes inside.

Traffic was halted in much of Vilnius for the funeral cortege. Schools were closed for the third straight day. Many offices and stores also were closed.

## Lt. Gov. Bullock announces new appointees to Senate committees; Republican loses post

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, a fiercely partisan Democrat, announced a new Senate committee lineup Wednesday that lopped off the only Republican chairman, 23-year veteran O.H. "Ike" Harris of Dallas.

Harris, 58, had been chairman of Economic Development since 1979. He was replaced with Sen. Temple Dickson, D-Sweetwater, a longtime friend of the new lieutenant governor.

"I personally prefer that he (Dickson) be in that spot," Bullock said.

Harris was dropped to vice chairman, which has much less authority. He was not immediately available for comment.

Sen. John Leedom, R-Dallas, said, "I'm disappointed for his (Harris') sake."

Asked if he was ruling out Republicans for key assignments, Bullock responded, "Certainly not."

Bullock's assignments to committee, which to a large degree shape a senator's influence, were announced less than 24 hours after he was sworn in to succeed Bill Hobby. However, he said they had been in the making since the November general election.

Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, was elevated to chairman of the Fi-

nance Committee, whose budget-writing duties make it a prime panel. He fills a vacant position created by Kent Caperton's decision not to run for re-election.

Sen. Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville, was moved from the top job on Jurisprudence to chairman of State Affairs to replace Montford.

But Glasgow lost the No. 2 spot on Finance. Bullock said he doesn't think there's enough time to serve on state affairs and finance, which he views as a full-time job.

Glasgow, a Bullock friend for many years, also drew the chairmanship of the Subcommittee on Legislative Districts.

In somewhat of a surprise, Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, was retained as chairman of the Education Committee, which will deal with the crucial issue of public school finance.

Other new Senate committee chairmen include Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, Criminal Justice; John Whitmire, D-Houston, Intergovernmental Relations; Gene Green, D-Houston, Jurisprudence; Bill Sims, D-San Angelo, Natural Resources; and Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, Nominations, which considers gubernatorial appointments.

The Court's ruling is indicative that the NRA's political power is at

long last on the wane.

Parker, a sponsor of school reform legislation, had "expressed a desire" for another appointment, Bullock said, "and I had to do a lot of persuasion."

"I felt like he has more knowledge, more expertise in school finance than any other senator, and has done a tremendous job," Bullock said.

Sims' appointment was denounced by the Sierra Club's Lone Star Chapter, which said Sims has in the past opposed "environmental initiatives" supported by Bullock during his campaign for lieutenant governor.

Sen. Chet Brooks, D-Pasadena, was reappointed chairman of Health and Human Services, which matches his special area of interest.

Bullock created a Subcommittee on Insurance, which could be a hot spot as Gov. Ann Richards pushes reform efforts. He named Parker as chairman.

Sen. Eddie Bernice Johnson, D-Dallas, won a place as chairman of the Subcommittee on Congressional Districts, which is favorable for her since she has indicated that she would like to run for Congress.

## Congressman sells assets to pay debt

HOUSTON (AP) — U.S. Rep. Craig Washington, D-Houston, said he will liquidate some of his assets to satisfy his debts now that he has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

"I find myself unable to pay my obligations as they become due," Washington said Tuesday in a written statement from his Capitol Hill office.

In the statement, Washington apologized to his creditors "for any inconvenience this course of action may cause" and to any friends "who may feel embarrassed by my necessity to take such action."

Washington filed for Chapter 11 reorganization on Friday, listing assets worth more than \$555,000 and debts that could run more than \$614,000.

"I ask all of those who were inspired by my meager achievements in the accumulation of material wealth to not despair: effort is its own reward," Washington said.

Washington was elected last January to fill the unexpired term of the late Mickey Leland.



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