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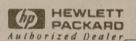
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Firm investigates pipeline spying

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A security firm hired by the trans-Alaska oil pipeline's operator used electronic surveillance and set up a dummy ecology group to ferret out whistle-blowers, a newspaper reported Monday.

The Los Angeles Times also said Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., a consortium of seven oil firms, employed Florida-based Wackenhut Corp. to monitor Democratic Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., chairman of a House subcommittee investigating alleged environmental wrongdoing by Alyeska.

Alyeska has acknowledged hiring Wackenhut for an investigation of possible leaks of documents by employees to retired tanker broker Charles Hamel. Alyeska suspected Hamel, an in-

Alaska operator employs security company to find 'whistle blowers, ' newspaper reports

dustry gadfly, of providing embarrassing information on the company's environmental record to Miller, the Environmental Protection Agency and the news media, the Times reported.

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As a result of the information, the EPA last month proposed fining Alyeska \$20,000 for illegal waste water dumping.

Hamel also is a party in a civil lawsuit involving a business dispute with Exxon Corp., one of the Alyeska companies.

Alyeska officials couldn't be reached for comment during the holiday weekend, the Times said. But in an internal memorandum

sent two weeks ago to company employees, Alyeska president James B. Hermiller denied that Alyeska or Wackenhut engaged in illegal activity.

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Citing court records and unidentified sources, the Times said that:

-Wackenhut set up two offices for a phony company called Ecolit Group near Hamel's Virginia home and in Florida. Operatives posing as environmentalists befriended Hamel with the promise of financial aid and legal help. Wackenhut's Black represented himself to Hamel as Ecolit's director, a Dr. Wayne Jenkins.

One female, posing as an environmental journalist, tried to be friend Hamel in an Anchorage hotel bar in March 1990 and on airline flight and to "compromise him" in some way, according to court documents.

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— Ecolit operatives conducted electronic surveillance of Hamel.

Alyeska's manager of corporate security, J.P. "Pat" Wellington, spoke at least twice a week with Black about the investigation and knew all of its details, Black

Wackenhut has provided security along the 800-mile pipeline since 1977, Wackenhut spokesman Patrick Cannan said.

Miller's House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee is looking into Alyeska's probe.

Inner-city school focuses on needs of African-American boys, girls

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The three Rs will take a twist this year at a school in Milwaukee's inner-city where the curriculum is geared toward the special educational, social and emotional needs of black children, especially boys.

But the enrollment of 560 students at Victor L. Berger Elementary School is half female, said Principal Josephine Mosley.

"The curriculum is focused on African-American males, but we will do the same for the females that we do for the males," Ms. Mosley said. "The needs of female students are just as great as male and everything we do here is good for all kids, regardless of sex or race."

The school is in a black neighborhood where most of the pupils live, she said.

Other immersion programs have been developed in Baltimore and Detroit, and have been discussed in San Diego, Miami, Washington, D.C., and New York.

Detroit, where 90 percent of public schools students are black, sought to open three all-male public schools for inner-city blacks, but a judge ruled last month that the restriction was unconstitutional and that girls also must be allowed to enroll.

The Milwaukee Public Schools system reports that, of the almost 93,000 students enrolled last year, more than 56 percent were black.

The black immersion program grew out of a 1989 citizens' task force study that found that fewer than 20 percent of the 5,716 black male students in Milwaukee high schools had a grade average of C or better.

The task force said many black students suffer because they lose their identity or become discouraged

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"A lot of African-American students, male and fe-

male, just don't have any sense of what we have gone through and come through as a people," said Alderman Marvin Pratt, who represents a mostly black district.

"What's missing for a lot of young people is the pride in African history that I think an Afro-centric curriculum will foster," he said.

The students at Berger elementary will study such black achievers as Robert E. Peary, who explored the North Pole, and Garrett Augustus Morgan, who invented the traffic light and gas mask.

The study also found that 50 percent of all students suspended from district schools in 1989 were black males, even though they made up only 27.6 percent of the total enrollment.

The task force didn't study the rates for black female students.

The Berger curriculum, devised by Milwaukee

The Berger curriculum, devised by Milwaukee Public Schools and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee educators, as well as community members, gives students a chance to read more African-American literature and talk to community residents about the civil rights movement or other issues.

"We will still study traditional history and follow

the curriculum we have in the past, only now we are including the African-American influences. That's good for everybody, not just black students," Ms. Mosley said.

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African-American content will also be injected into such subjects as science, math, social studies, language arts and physical education.

International evangelist suffers stroke

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — The Rev. Robert H. Schuller, host of the internationally syndicated television show "Hour of Power," underwent emergency surgery today after

suffering a stroke.

The 64-year-old evangelist was found unconscious in his hotel room hours before he was scheduled to fly to Rome for a meeting with Pope John Paul II.

Schuller suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and underwent three hours of surgery at the Free University Hospital in Amsterdam, said Michael Nason, a Schuller spokesman. He was in stable condition.

Schuller passed out in his room at the Hotel del'Europe and was taken by ambulance to the hospital at 11:35 a.m., Nason said. "We found him in his room.

He was unconscious. He had collapsed," Nason said. "His condition is regarded as stable."

Nason said doctors found

Nason said doctors found blood between Schuller's skull and brain and that the operation was performed by a senior neurosurgeon, Dr. J. Wolbers.

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