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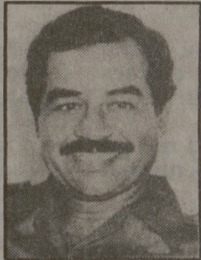
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Hussein moves key military men

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Saddam Hussein has moved several trusted generals into key positions in a command shuffle that reflects his constant efforts to forestall a coup, informed travelers from Iraq say.

The sources, who include Baghdad-based western diplomats and knowledgeable Iraqis, say there is no sign that Saddam's regime is in any immediate danger.

But the feeling is that these changes in the hierarchy, the latest in a long line of shuffles over the past 18 months, reflect Saddam's insecurity more than a year after his



Hussein

Gulf War defeat.

The sources spoke to The Associated Press in Nicosia and Amman, Jordan, on condition of anonymity.

They said the Iraqi leader has ringed Baghdad with three of his five elite Republican Guard divisions to ensure his regime's security amid the continuing threat of Kurdish and Shiite Muslim unrest.

They said Saddam has named Gen. Hussein Rashid, a former chief of staff and hero of the 1980-88 war against Iran, the commander of the Republican Guard Corps, a pillar of the regime.

Rashid, who was chief of staff throughout the Gulf crisis, commanded the Republican Guard in 1984-85 and oversaw its expansion from a brigade-size formation into an army-within-an-army of seven divisions with

120,000 men.

Saddam's command shuffle is the seventh major reorganization he has made in his military and political hierarchy since he invaded Kuwait in 1990.

Rashid is the Guards' fourth commander in that period.

Kamel Yassin, a member of the ruling Baath Party's command, has been appointed to oversee party branches and security in the military, the sources reported.

The party's security apparatus reaches deep within the armed forces and has long acted as an early warning system for Saddam to spot unrest inside the military.

Yassin is Saddam's brother-in-law and cousin.

His other brother, Irshid, heads Saddam's personal security force.

Child abduction attempts worry local police, parents

and asked the child to get in.

The suspect then got out of the car and the child ran to a nearby house.

A similar incident occurred Sunday around 1:53 p.m. on the corner of Still Meadow Street and Midwest Street, only this time, the suspect followed the child in his car for two blocks after the child refused to get in the car.

Both children were nine-

By Alysia Woods
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Two attempted child abductions in a Bryan residential area in one weekend have parents and Bryan police officials worried.

Sgt. Choya Walling of the Bryan Police Department said a child was reported walking down Still Meadow Street in Bryan Friday at 4:10 p.m. when a white male pulled up in a car

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Electronic deposit concerns faculty

By Sharon Gilmore
The Battalion

A new electronic deposit system scheduled to replace Texas A&M's current manual deposit system July 15 has raised concerns and fears of many faculty.

The new system, required by all state agencies, will deposit paychecks into the bank accounts of University employees. All budget and payroll employees, except for students and part-time workers, will be affected by the new system.

But during Monday's Faculty Senate meeting, employees questioned the new system, saying they believed it would cause too many errors.

In order to change over to automatic deposits, University employees are required by state law to sign a form stating that they authorize the transfer of pay electronically into their bank accounts.

"I am asked to sign that I authorize the TAMUS controller to withdraw from the designated account or deduct from my subsequent paid salary, if any, all amounts deposited electronically in error," David Schick, oceanography professor, said. "I find this extremely offensive."

Schick said he fears that signing the consent agreement and agreeing to the rules of electronic transfer would make his account more susceptible to error.

"What in the world are we agreeing to?" he said. "We're asked to sign this. I find it outrageous. The executive committee should do something about this."

According to Fonda Wilson, a clerk at the Budget and Payroll Office, automatic transfer from Austin means paychecks will more than likely arrive a day earlier than they do now.

She said exemptions are possible if faculty members do not agree with the document presenting the new system. Employees can simply refuse to sign it and

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Rescue effort

Andrea Waller, a junior biology major, receives medical care from an emergency medical team after a two-car collision at the intersection of Olsen Road and George Bush Drive Tuesday. Waller was taken to Humana hospital where she received treatment for minor injuries.

Libya loses in attempt to stop U.S.

World Court refuses to block sanctions, awaits surrender

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Libya received no help from the World Court on Tuesday in its effort to stave off U.S. and British sanctions for refusing to turn over two men sought for the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

The court said the matter had properly been put before the U.N. Security Council, which on Tuesday confirmed its decision to impose arms sale and air travel embargoes unless Libya surrenders the suspects.

The sanctions were set to go into effect Wednesday. The council rejected a last-minute effort by Libya to turn the suspects over to Malta.

In Washington, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater praised the World Court ruling. "We believe Libya must comply with our request for the Pan Am 103 perpetrators," he said.

Secretary of State James A. Baker III told reporters "some consideration" had been given to expanding the sanctions to include a ban on purchases of Libyan oil. That would cripple Libya, which relies on oil sales for most of its income.

Baker also noted that the United States and its allies had gone to war with Iraq to ensure its compliance with U.N. resolutions.

The Security Council has demanded the surrender of the two men indicted for the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland in 1988 — an attack that killed 270 people. It also says Libya must provide proof it has renounced terrorism and cooperate with France in the investigation of four other Libyans in the bombing of a French airliner that killed 171 people in 1989.

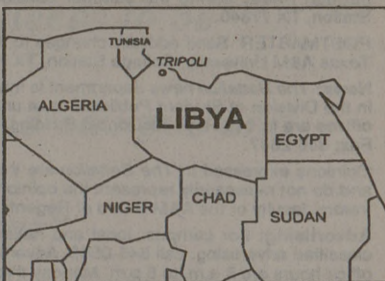
Col. Moammar Gadhafi's government appealed to the World Court, the U.N. judicial arm, in an indirect attack on the U.N. sanctions.

The court hears only cases between sovereign states, so Libya sought orders barring the United States and Britain from taking any military or economic action intended to force Tripoli to give the two men up for trial.

Although the court's panel of international judges refused by an 11-5 vote to block military attacks, there was no indication either nation planned such actions.

"We've been working for a political solution all along and we're very pleased that there's no interference with that," said Edwin Williamson, legal adviser to the U.S. State Department.

It was not clear when the sanctions would officially begin. Diplomats at the United Nations said they would take effect at 12:01 a.m. EDT Wednesday, or 6:01 a.m. in Libya. But Fitzwater and other U.S. officials in Washington put the time at about 24 hours later — midnight EDT Wednesday.



Old Campus Theater to re-open

By Jason Loughman
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The old Campus Theater on Northgate showed what was to be its last movie over five years ago, but if Don Ganter, its most recent owner, has his way, it will open again soon.

The building, whose cracked and dusty glass doors have been closed to the public for as long as most Texas A&M students have been here, is tentatively scheduled to open in late 1992 or early 1993 as a nightclub, Ganter said.

The theater was built in 1939 and was the only one in Brazos County at that time, Ganter said. Originally owned by the Boyett family, it was sold sometime in the 1960s to Morris Schulman.

The theater was losing business due to what Ganter called "uncontrollable crowds" of A&M students. The theater actually showed X-rated films for a short time in the 1970s before returning to more conventional fare. Schulman finally closed the theater and sold it to Ganter in 1987.

Renovations to the "Old Campus Theater and Opry House," as Ganter plans to call it, are about half-finished, but he estimates it will cost nearly a quarter of a million dollars to complete.

Ganter said that he is anxious to open it for business, but reluctant to borrow the necessary

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Yeltsin averts political crisis

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's Communist-dominated parliament backed down Tuesday from a week-long clash with President Boris Yeltsin and passed a declaration that will allow him to continue his free-market reforms.

The declaration preserves Yeltsin's power to rule by decree and directs the government to continue the painful reforms that the lawmakers oppose.

It apparently averted one of Russia's most serious political crises since the collapse of the Soviet Union last December.

On Monday, Yeltsin's Cabinet threatened to resign, claiming parliament's attempts to trim the president's powers would cripple re-

forms, raise inflation and block Russia's entry into the world marketplace.

After the 530-236 vote by the Congress of People's Deputies, Yeltsin's ministers happily clapped each other's shoulders and his parliamentary supporters burst into applause. Yeltsin was not present for the vote.

"This eliminates the need for our resignation," Yeltsin's right-hand man, State Secretary Gennady Burbulis, told reporters.

Lawmakers will have a chance to change their minds and amend the document Wednesday.

Yeltsin had been at an impasse with the Congress since the legislative body opened April 6 in the Grand Kremlin Palace.

The declaration was approved without debate at the climax of a second day of raucous cheering, bitter name-calling and sudden walkouts in the Kremlin.



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