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Clinton praises steps taken by Japanese leader

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton praised the "very strong steps" taken by Japanese Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi to revive Japan's economy and ease a severe global financial crisis. Both nations agreed on a package of trade deals the administration hopes will mean expanded sales for U.S. companies.

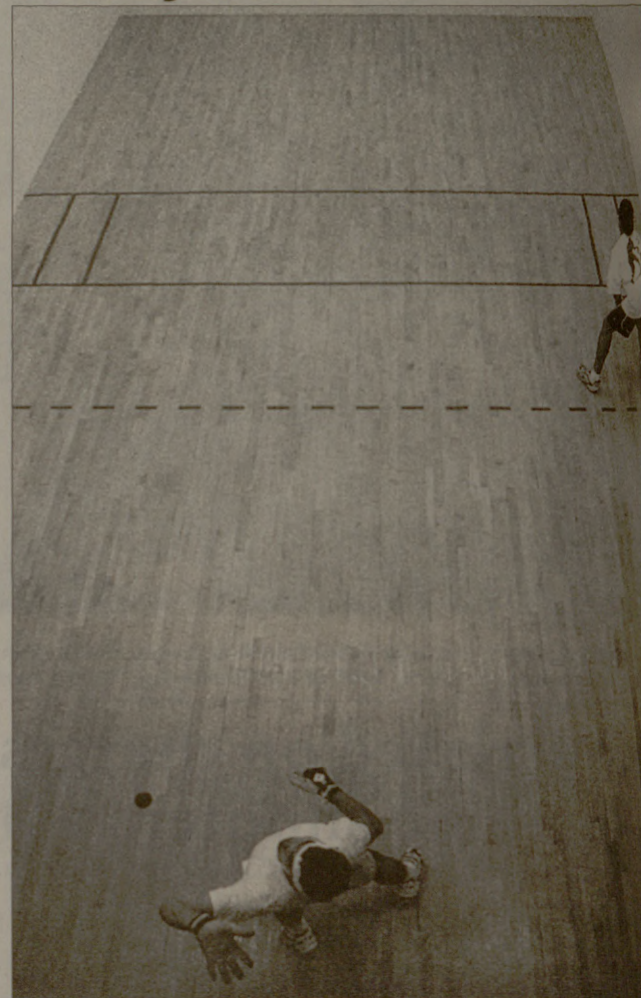
But in a clear sign of rising trade tensions between the world's two largest economies, Clinton warned during Obuchi's visit Monday that a flood of Japanese steel into the United States must be halted.

"We will take action if steel imports do not return to their pre-crisis levels on a consistent basis," he said, repeating a threat he first made in January that his administration will initiate cases to impose penalty tariffs on Japanese steel shipments to protect the U.S. industry.

Obuchi, making the first official visit to the United States by a Japanese prime minister in 12 years, said his government is tackling the root cause of rising steel imports into the United States — a financial crisis that has pushed one-third of the world, including Japan, into recession.

"I explained to the president that Japan is swiftly and boldly taking every measure in order to address the difficulties we are facing," Obuchi said at a news conference with Clinton. He predicted that those efforts will result in a "major turnaround" that will pull Japan out of its worst recession in 50 years.

Hand jam



Jeremy Swift, a sophomore biochemistry major, returns a serve of Brett Payne, a sophomore business major, in a handball game Monday afternoon.

Soldiers reunite with families in Germany

LANDSTUHL, Germany (AP) — Upbeat and safe at a U.S. military hospital in Germany, three servicemen released by Yugoslavia were joyfully reunited with their families on their first full day of freedom Monday.

Army doctors pronounced the soldiers in generally good shape, but checkups also revealed fractured ribs and a broken nose, raising questions about how they were treated during their capture and

month in captivity.

The Army declined to comment on how the injuries were sustained, citing the ongoing examinations and investigation into the circumstances of their March 31 capture on the Yugoslav-Macedonia border.

Before arriving at the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center on Sunday, the soldiers told reporters that their scars and bruises stemmed from their capture, but said they

were generally treated well that. Their commander, David Grange of the 1st Infantry Division, was skeptical.

"I think it might have been were poorly treated at the time, but that will be determined," he said.

Pentagon spokesman Nath Bacon said the three soldiers would undergo further debriefing in Germany for two or three days.

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