



MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT — Two Oelwein youths were injured in a motorcycle accident south of town on the Poursome Road. The Oelwein Ambulance Service and the Oelwein Fire Department's rescue vehicle were utilized, while the Iowa State Patrol was involved in the investigation. Above left, Tim Aubrey, 16, of



Oelwein who was driving one of the two cycles, is examined by ambulance crewmen while in the photo a passenger on the Aubrey cycle, John Miller, 16, Oelwein is placed on the stretcher after being carried out of the ditch. Aubrey hit another cycle in

the rear and the two vehicles slid into the ditch. Aubrey and Miller suffered fractures of the leg and were transferred from Mercy Hospital in Oelwein to St. Francis in Waterloo. See accompanying story. (Rick Fromm photo)

Still hold 9 hostages

BERN, Switzerland (AP) — Armed terrorists who are threatening to blow up the Polish Embassy released two women hostages today and met face-to-face for the first time with a government negotiator, a federal police spokesman said.

The raiders, calling themselves "The Polish Revolutionary Home Army," still are holding nine hostages, according to federal officials. They are demanding the Polish government lift martial law and release all political prisoners, and have set a deadline of 10 a.m. Wednesday (4 a.m. EDT).

Ulrich Hubacher, spokesman for the federal justice and police ministry, said a member of the special 24-man crisis team met for an hour with the gunmen in the embassy after nightlong telephone contacts with the terrorists.

He refused to discuss the meeting in detail, but said more face-to-face negotiations were likely.

Hubacher identified the two freed women as embassy employees, but Polish sources here said they were Irene Matysiak and Stanislaw Antoniewicz, both in their 50s and wives of embassy employees.

Late Monday night, the terrorists released a pregnant woman from the white stucco mansion in the middle of Bern's diplomatic sector. The woman, identified by the Polish sources as Malgorzata Luczak, a clerk-typist at the embassy, was hospitalized for treatment for shock.

Hubacher originally said police believed there were 14 hostages in the embassy, but later reported there were only 12. Swiss authorities said all of them are Poles.

The government-run Warsaw radio quoted the embassy's commercial counselor as saying there were still 10 hostages, two of them women. It was not clear if the official, who was not named, was among them.

"The Swiss government is committed to ending this siege as soon as possible and saving the lives of the hostages," he said. The spokesman refused to say what tactics might be used against the terrorists.

Police have agreed to bring

food and water to the door of the embassy building, he said. This morning, a doctor was permitted into the embassy to treat a hostage with hypertension, Hubacher said.

The leader of the terrorists, identifying himself as "Col. Wysocki," told the Associated Press in a telephone interview Monday that his group has 55 pounds of explosives, and machine guns.

Trial of sheriff begins

MANCHESTER, Iowa (AP) — Jury selection progressed slowly Tuesday in the first day of the Bert Elledge Jr. trial.

Of the 80 prospective jurors who were called, lawyers worked to pare down the list until 12 jurors are selected. Jury selection was expected to continue most of the day Tuesday and continue into Wednesday.

Elledge, the former Delaware County sheriff, is on trial for obstruction of justice.

He is accused of falsifying a set of fingerprints in a burglary case while he was sheriff and then lying about it under oath in testimony to a grand jury.

He resigned last Oct. 19 after being told by an assistant attorney general that he was under investigation for sending wrong fingerprints to the Department of Criminal Investigation in connection with a burglary at a Colesburg bar. Elledge had been sheriff 10 years.

Elledge later claimed he was forced to resign and that he never stepped down as sheriff. A grand jury ruled there was not enough evidence to charge Elledge but the attorney general's office presented more evidence later and continued to press the charges.

Elledge's lawyer Lloyd Humphreys of Cedar Rapids has confirmed that Elledge will take the stand in his own defense during the trial. Also serving as Elledge's defense attorney is E. Michael Carr of Manchester.

Two hurt in freak motorcycle crash

Two Oelwein youths were seriously injured and are awaiting surgery at St. Francis Hospital in Waterloo, after the two were involved in a freak motorcycle accident Saturday night on the Poursome Road.

Timothy Aubrey, 16, and John Miller, 16, who was a passenger on one of the cycles, were rushed to Mercy Hospital by the Oelwein ambulance and then transferred to St. Francis for serious fractures after Aubrey rammed the rear of a motorcycle driven by Robert Irvine, 16, of Stanley.

Aubrey, according to Iowa State Patrol officials, was following Irvine about 8:50 p.m. Saturday and apparently didn't realize that Irvine was slowing. Aubrey's cycle hit Irvine's cycle in the rear and the two vehicles skidded down the pavement before sliding off the roadway into the west ditch.

Aubrey's 1980 Kawasaki sustained about \$2,000 while Irvine's 1977 Kawasaki received \$1,000 damage.

Irvine was charged with violation of a restricted license (his license doesn't cover operation of a motorcycle) and Aubrey was charged with following too closely.

CAR HITS CHILD — Independence — Jeffery Smith, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Smith of rural Independence was held overnight at the Peoples Memorial Hospital in Independence for observation after he was struck by a car Saturday afternoon.

The accident occurred in Independence. A car driven by Kathy Williams, 25, of Vinton was northbound in the 500 block of 4th Ave. NE when the Smith boy ran from the passenger side of his father's car, which was parked, in front of the Williams vehicle.

Williams hit the boy, knocking him to the pavement. No charges were filed.

MOPED-CAR — Thomas Price, 15, of Rowley was treated for minor injuries and released at Peoples Memorial Hospital in Independence after the moped he was driving collided with an automobile on 2nd St. SE in Independence Friday.

Joan Sloan, 53, of Independence was eastbound when Price failed to see her attempting a left turn. The moped struck the front of the car and hit the pavement.

There was \$300 damage to Sloan's 1981 Oldsmobile and major damage to the moped. No charges were filed.

FAILURE TO HAVE CONTROL — A Greeley woman was charged with failure to have control after she lost control of her car while driving along a Clayton County road Friday night.

Margriete Sargent, no age given, was driving when she began to lose control. She steered hard

to the left but then the car entered the left ditch where it overturned.

She and a passenger, Robert Harbaugh, were taken to the Delaware County Memorial Hospital in Manchester where Harbaugh was treated for head injuries and she was treated for multiple injuries.

RECKLESS DRIVING — Timothy Berns, 20, of Guttenberg was charged with reckless driving after he lost control of his car and drove through parts of Paradise Valley Campground near Garnaville and hit a merry-go-round 5 a.m. Saturday morning.

Berns was driving through the campground when the accident occurred. He went off the west side of the roadway through the camping area, missing several posts, before hitting the merry-go-round, causing \$500 damage. He wasn't injured.

FAILURE TO HAVE CONTROL — Two people were injured and hospitalized after they were involved in a one-car accident three miles east of Garnaville early Tuesday morning.

Ann Marie Moses, 22, of Garnaville and a passenger in her car, Ronald Eugene Werger, 25, of Brentwood, Calif., were taken to Community Memorial Hospital in Elkader before Moses was transferred to the LaCross, Wis., hospital with multiple fractures. She was listed in fair condition while he was treated and released.

Moses apparently fell asleep behind the wheel,

and her car entered the ditch where it hit a farm driveway, flipped over, and rolled several times before coming to rest on its top.

There was \$3,000 damage to her 1976 Monte Carlo.

FATALITIES

At least seven Iowans lost their lives statewide in accidents over the Labor Day Weekend, and another 421 died nationwide as the nation observed its last summer holiday weekend.

In Iowa, Victor Mattox, 25, of Iowa City was killed in a one-car accident in Iowa City while two people, Talmadge Elmo Lewis, 27, and Gene Soppeland, 28, both of Muscatine, died in an accident on a Muscatine County road.

The bodies of both men were recovered from a small slough after the car left the roadway.

David Jacobson, 22, of Charles City was killed Saturday in a one-vehicle accident near Decorah after his four-wheel-drive vehicle went out of control and rolled over in the ditch.

Pete Llamas, 59, of Des Moines, was killed on Highway 5 near Lovilla in Marion County while Thomas Church, 24, of rural Fort Dodge died early Saturday in Webster County after his pickup truck hit a utility pole after leaving the roadway.

Dale Robert Martinson, 33, of Homestead was killed Saturday when he lost control of his truck on a gravel road near Homestead.

City and county get funds

DES MOINES — Block grant allocations have been approved for Oelwein and Fayette County. THE REGISTER learned this morning (Tuesday).

The announcement of the grants, \$350,000 for the city of Oelwein and \$214,000 for Fayette County, was made by State Representative Don Avenson of Oelwein.

Avenson, who is minority leader of the Iowa House, notified city and county authorities Tuesday morning about the grants. An official announcement is expected to be made Thursday.

Oelwein had earlier applied for \$350,000 in block grant money for improvements to the sewage treatment plant and rehabilitation work in the city's sewer line system, as part of an over-all plan to upgrade and improve the system. The work is planned to help alleviate the problem of flooded basements in some areas of the city during periods of heavy rainfall.

Fayette County Supervisor Larry Murphy of Oelwein told THE REGISTER the county had requested the money for structural and energy conservation improvements at the Fayette County Care Facility.

The improvements will include a new roof for the building, new windows and other minor repair work. The county's application for the block grant money was handled by the Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Agency and Associated Engineers, Inc., handled the city's application. "The grant money is especially gratifying," said (Continued on Page 5)



BULL'S EYE! ... er, neck — Bob Campbell of Vinton was "right on the money" Sunday when he threw his loop during the calf roping competition of the annual Three Crosses Boys Ranch Rodeo. The event, held each fall at the boys ranch north of Strawberry Point, drew a number of entries in the various areas of competition. More pictures of the event, which was held Saturday, Sunday and Monday, will be found on page 5. (Photo by Rick Fromm)

Branstad tells education plan

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — GOP gubernatorial hopeful Terry Branstad today unveiled an education program calling for at least a 7 percent increase in the basic state support for schools, but says he isn't sure how much his program would cost.

In addition, Branstad said schools with declining enrollments need a financial "cushion" and he'd assure them they won't lose any state money despite their slipping enrollment.

On the state support for local schools, Branstad said he's committed to a scheduled increase in the state school aid formula which would hike state payments to local schools to \$692 million for fiscal

year 1983-84, up 7 percent from the current \$648 million.

That increase means the state would pick up 80 percent of the per-student state education cost.

"I am committed to the goal of the state providing 80 percent of the average state cost per pupil," Branstad said at a press conference.

Branstad's education program also included industrial revenue bonds for expanding research facilities, increased funding for preschool programs and increases in tuition grants to students attending private schools.

The GOP hopeful said he didn't know how much his education program would

cost. He also said he didn't have dollar amounts for the individual parts of his program.

"I'm not presenting a budget to the legislature," Branstad said. "I don't have all the dollars pinpointed at this time."

Many of the programs he backs are already scheduled increases in state support for education, Branstad said, not new programs. "These are programs that are already there. I'm not advocating a lot of new spending," he said.

The goal of 80 percent state funding rough the school aid formula was approved by lawmakers years ago when they instituted the formula, but its full implementation has been delayed because of the state's rocky economy.

State News in brief

Girl found

ALTOONA, Iowa (AP) — A 19-year-old California woman who allegedly abducted a 3-year-old Maplewood, Minn. girl will be charged with kidnapping by federal authorities, police said.

Annette Hazel Foster, 19, of San Jose, Calif., was arrested at a truck stop near Altoona Friday evening by Polk County deputy Bill Vaughn, authorities said. The girl, Jolitta McCrary, was returned to her mother, Jetta Asher, 21, Saturday.

Kevin Halweg, a Maplewood police officer who traveled to Iowa to pick up the child, said Ms. Foster was being held on an Iowa charge of child stealing, but said the FBI will file a federal kidnapping charge.

Presumed dead

LAKE RATHBUN, Iowa (AP) — An Illinois man was missing and presumed drowned Monday at Lake Rathbun in Appanoose County.

Sheriff Ron Powell says Roy Green, 54, of Milan, Ill., was fishing on the lake with his two sons Sunday when he jumped into the water to free an anchor from weeds.

Meet veterans

AMES, Iowa (AP) — U.S. Rep. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, will meet Tuesday afternoon with veterans at Iowa State University who say promised government education aid has been withdrawn.

Harkin said his office has been "flooded" with telephone calls from angry veterans on college campuses across Iowa who say they received written notice during the summer that they would receive Pell-Grant Educational Assistance when they registered for classes in the fall.

However, Harkin said, when the students reported for classes, school officials told them they the Reagan administration had changed program eligibility requirements during the summer and veterans could no longer receive the assistance.

Plane crashes

MARSHALLTOWN, Iowa (AP) — Two people were killed in an airplane crash Monday night northwest of Marshalltown.

According to the Marshall County Sheriff's office, the identities of the victims were being withheld.

Authorities said the crash occurred around 8 p.m., five miles north and two-and-a-half miles west of Marshalltown in the vicinity of U.S. Highway 14.

Question five

OSAGE, Iowa (AP) — It was a scene right out of a horror movie.

White-robed figures charged toward motorists on a rural highway while other figures brandished weapons Sunday evening.

The shenanigans, intended as a prank, were a little too real for law officers who apprehended five juveniles for alleged terrorism.

News in brief

Reward offered

WEST DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The Des Moines Register and Tribune Company Tuesday offered a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the whereabouts of one of its carriers, a 12-year-old West Des Moines boy last seen as he was about to deliver Sunday newspapers.

More than 1,000 volunteers on Monday helped West Des Moines police search for John Gosch, who was wearing a white T-shirt, blue shorts and sandals and was carrying a newspaper bag when last seen.

The search will be continued Tuesday and Jack Crandall, head of the State Disaster Services, said the search would be concentrated in West Des Moines, Clive, Dallas County, and possibly Warren County.

National

Track boy

CASTAIC, Calif. (AP) — A 2½-year-old boy was reunited with his parents after a search team tracked his sandals' tire-tread print three miles from where he had been lost in the woods.

Ricardo Diaz, who had disappeared Sunday afternoon, was found thirsty but safe early Monday morning after 11 hours in the brush near Castaic Lake, 40 miles north of Los Angeles.

Although hundreds of people had been at the lake over the holiday weekend, the volunteer team was able to pick out the boy's tracks from the many footprints.

Tried landing

TOUTLE, Wash. (AP) — The pilot of a four plane apparently was trying to make an emergency landing when the plane crashed near Mount St. Helens, killing two people and injuring five others, officials say.

Cowlitz County Sheriff Les Nelson said Monday the Piper Cherokee may have blown its engine, and a witness said it sounded as if the plane was having engine trouble before it crashed into a riverbed during a 45-minute flight around the volcano Sunday afternoon.

Officials said the crash was believed to be the first fatal accident involving commercial tour flights to the volcano, which began after a massive eruption on May 18, 1980, that left 59 people dead or missing.

Bess Truman

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Former first lady Bess Truman remained in fair condition today at Research Medical Center after her temperature rose slightly, but her doctor said there "was no cause for alarm."

Dr. Wallace Graham said the 97-year-old widow of Harry S. Truman, who died in 1972 at age 88, did not sleep well Sunday night.

"However, I'm not overly concerned. Her temperature is slightly elevated but there's no cause for alarm," Graham said Monday.

Plan petition

HOUSTON (AP) — A police union official says his group is circulating a petition to counter what he says is a plan by the city to recruit homosexuals for the force.

Mike Wood of the Houston Police Officers Association said Monday the union voted unanimously Thursday to support the petition drive, but would not say how many of the 2,500 members voted.

Wood said the union was "led to believe" the city plans to recruit homosexuals.

Vacation over

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — President Reagan, flying back in Washington after a 17-day vacation, faces a veto showdown with Congress this week and begins a campaign travel schedule putting him on the road at least once a week until the November elections.

International

Pirate treasure

VICTORIA, Seychelles (AP) — The government is considering an offer by a West German restaurateur to search for pirate treasure said to be worth \$200 million, the official news agency said.

Legend has it that a cache of diamonds, jewelry and other valuables, was buried on the main island of Mahe in 1721 by a French pirate, Olivier Le Vasseur, known as "La Buse," or "the Buzzard."

More than 200 treasure hunters have looked in vain for the riches, the news agency said. Restaurateur Herbert Echter of Hochfelln, Bavaria, told the government he has extensive information about the precise location and wants permission to dig, the agency said Monday.

Car bomb

LONDON (AP) — Iran today blamed U.S. mercenaries for a car bomb explosion in Tehran Sunday that killed 20 people and wounded 100 others.

The victims were pedestrians and passengers in a bus damaged by the explosion near the Justice and Interior Ministry in the center of the capital, Tehran radio said in a broadcast monitored here.

"The blast broke windows in buildings over a wide area and an arcade of shops caught fire. A bus and several parked cars were damaged or destroyed," the state radio said.

Panda dies

MADRID, Spain (AP) — A palm-size panda twin that had been kept in an incubator since its birth over the weekend died today of respiratory problems, zoo manager Tomas Cerdan said.

The female panda, which weighed 2.6 ounces, was thought to have a good chance of survival when it was born Saturday, but veterinarians were unable to overcome the respiratory problems, Cerdan said. Cerdan said many other zoos had called to express condolences over the twin's death.