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Iran counsel seeks records on Justice inquiry

Review of possible cover-up may be conducted

The New York Times

WASHINGTON — The special prosecutor in the Iran-contra affair has asked Attorney General Edwin Meese to turn over thousands of documents related to the Justice Department's inquiry last fall into the sale of U.S. arms to Iran, federal law enforcement officials said Tuesday.

They said special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh had expanded his investigation of the Justice Department and was seeking department records ranging from investigative files to private notebooks and telephone-message

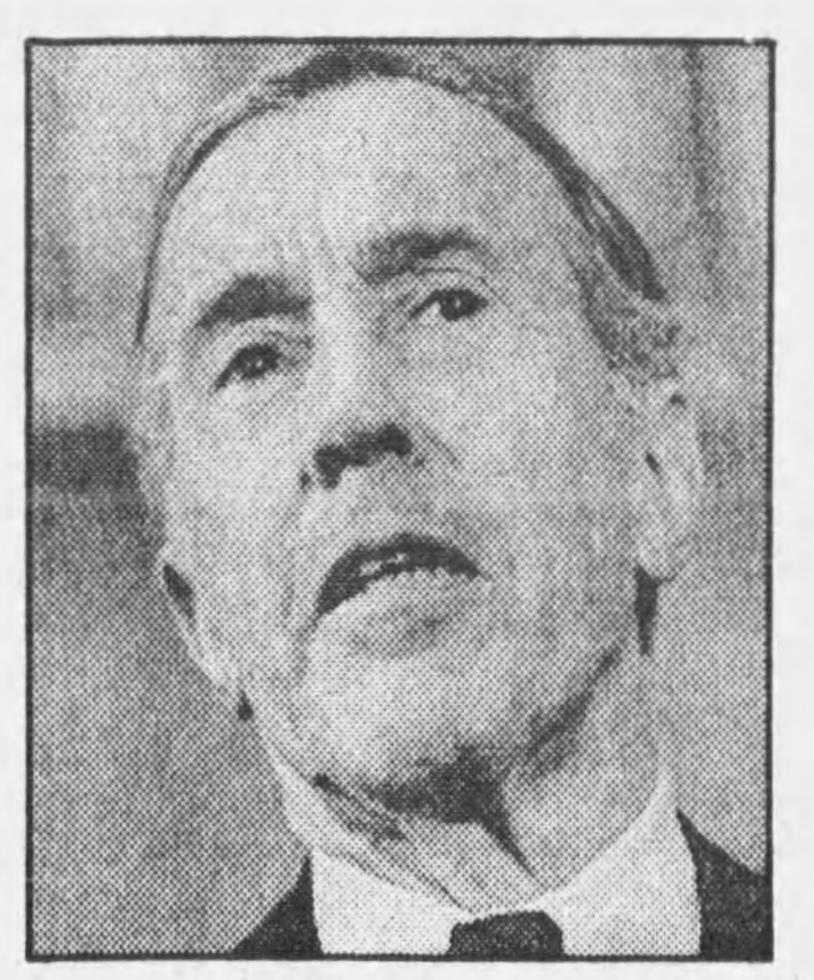
A senior official said the request had been sent to the department in the last two weeks

and was "absolutely massive - every scrap of paper from Meese and anybody else in the department" who took part in Meese's highly criticized November investigation.

The broad scope of Walsh's request appeared to be more bad news for the attorney general, who is expected to come under harsh questioning next week during testimony before congressional committees investigating the Iran-contra affair.

Meese also is under scrutiny by another special prosecutor for his involvement with Wedtech Corp. Meese and the Justice Department repeatedly and specifically have de-

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Lawrence Walsh is special prosecutor in the Iran-contra case.

'Secrecy' hurt Reagan effort, panel chief says

By Scott Shepard and Bob Dart

Journal-Constitution Washington Bureau WASHINGTON - The chairman of the House Iran-contra committee told Rear Adm. John Poindexter Tuesday that his "excessive secrecy" kept President Reagan uninvolved in key decisions and led to "disarray" in the White House.

"The president apparently did not know that you were making some of the most iniportant foreign policy decisions of his presidency," Rep. Lee Hamilton (D-Ind.) told Reagan's former national security adviser. "Excessive secrecy placed the president in an untenable position."

Defiant to the final minute of his five

days of public testimony, Poindexter declared, "I leave this hearing with my head held high. I have done my very best to promote the long-term national security interests of the United States."

In his closing statement, Hamilton said Poindexter withheld important information from Reagan and "denied him the opportunity to make the fateful decision of his presidency."

Hamilton was referring to Poindexter's admission that he approved a plan to finance the anti-communist contras in Nicaragua with profits generated by secret arms sales to Iran

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Conflicting images emerge of slain mom

By Kathy Scruggs Staff Writer

CARROLLTON, Ga. - The day before she died, Frances Golden bought her oldest daughter, Rashunda, a dozen red roses for her 17th birthday and talked about spending a family vacation at Disney World.

The next day, Mrs. Golden laid a telephone cord across the bed shared by Rashunda and her 14-year-old half-sister and told them to expect a whipping with it when she came home from work. Her daughters had disobeyed their mother and allowed boys to come to the house while she was away.

About 11 p.m. on July 2, Mrs. Golden, 34, returned from her job as a nighttime supervisor at a Carrollton discount store. She made her younger daughter, Melinda Collier, undress, stretched her across the bed and began hitting her with a yardstick.

Rashunda said she then took a .38-caliber pistol from under the bed - where she had placed it earlier — and fired a single shot into her

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Metro area schools labeled segregated

By Jane O. Hansen Staff Writer

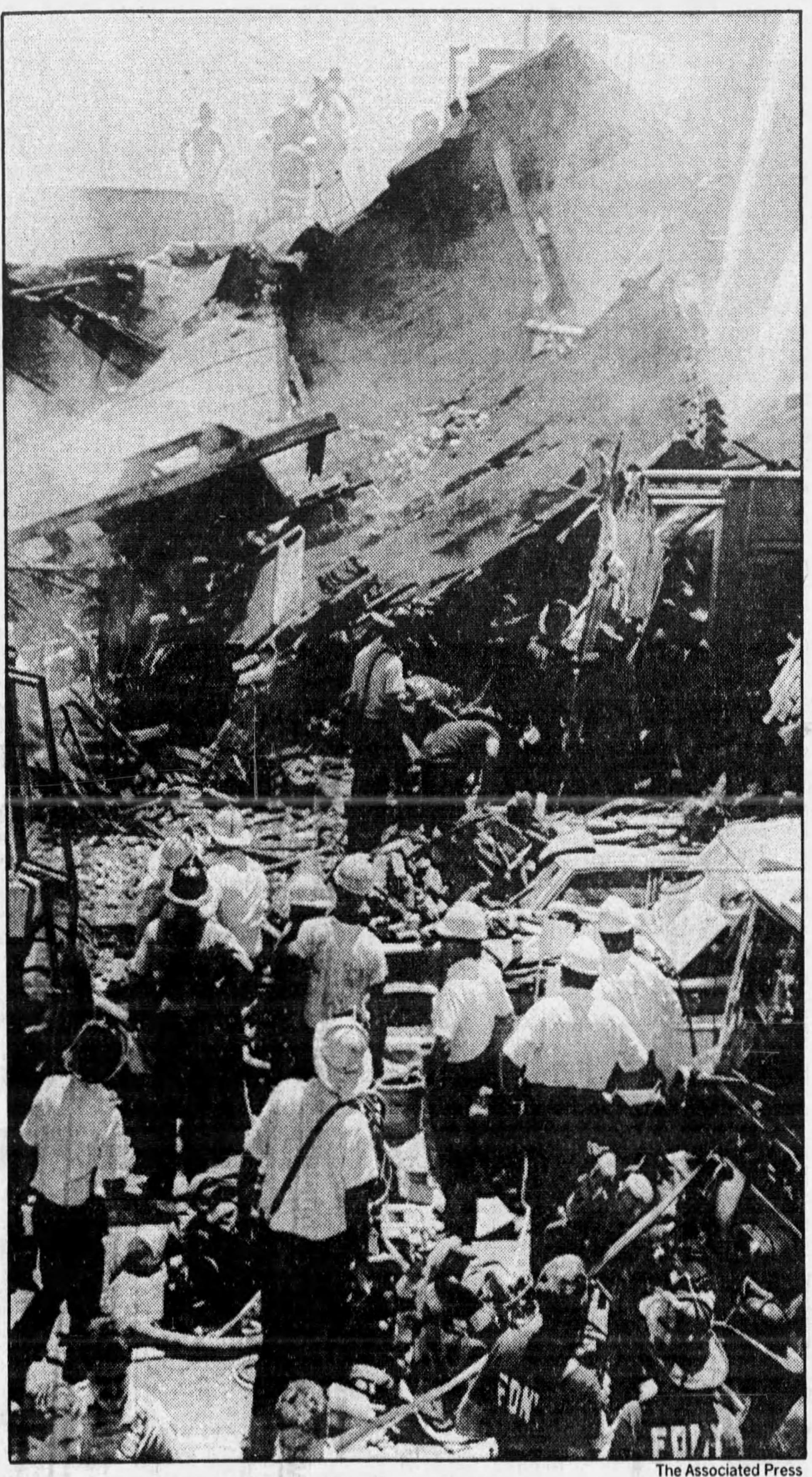
The public school systems of Atlanta and its surrounding suburbs are among the most racially segregated in the country, according to a national

study released Wednesday.

The report by Gary Orfield, a political science professor at the University of Chicago and an expert on school integration, also cites Georgia as one of two Southern states where schools have become significantly more segregated since 1980. Two Georgia cities — Atlanta and Augusta - rank among the top seven in the nation that have experienced the largest reversal in integra-

Overall, Orfield concludes that efforts to desegregate the nation's schools are at a virtual standstill. Despite "a heated and determined attack on desegregation policy" by the Reagan administration, Orfield said he finds no evidence of progress or retreat in public school racial pat-

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The Associated Press

Gas explosion in Brooklyn kills 4

NEW YORK — Firefighters sift explosion and fire that destroyed three through rubble Tuesday after propane Brooklyn buildings. Four people died gas from a damaged tank created an and 35 were hurt. Story, Page 2-A.

Navy warships start escorting tankers in gult

U.S. crews told to shoot if attacked as they shepherd Kuwaiti vessels

From Wire Reports

FUJAIRAH, United Arab Emirates - American warships, bristling with missiles, on Tuesday night began their historic Persian Gulf mission escorting two U.S.-flagged Kuwaiti tankers while under orders from President Reagan to shoot at the first sign of an attack.

The convoy, administration officials said, moved toward the Strait of Hormuz at the neck of the Gulf of Oman under darkness and was ready to slip through the narrow waters into the 600-mile-long petroleum-rich gulf at daybreak.

Earlier in the day, two Kuwaiti tankers, newly registered as U.S. vessels, ran up the American flag off Khor Fakkan, an Arabian Sea port in Fujairah, one of seven small sheikdoms that make up the United Arab Emirates.

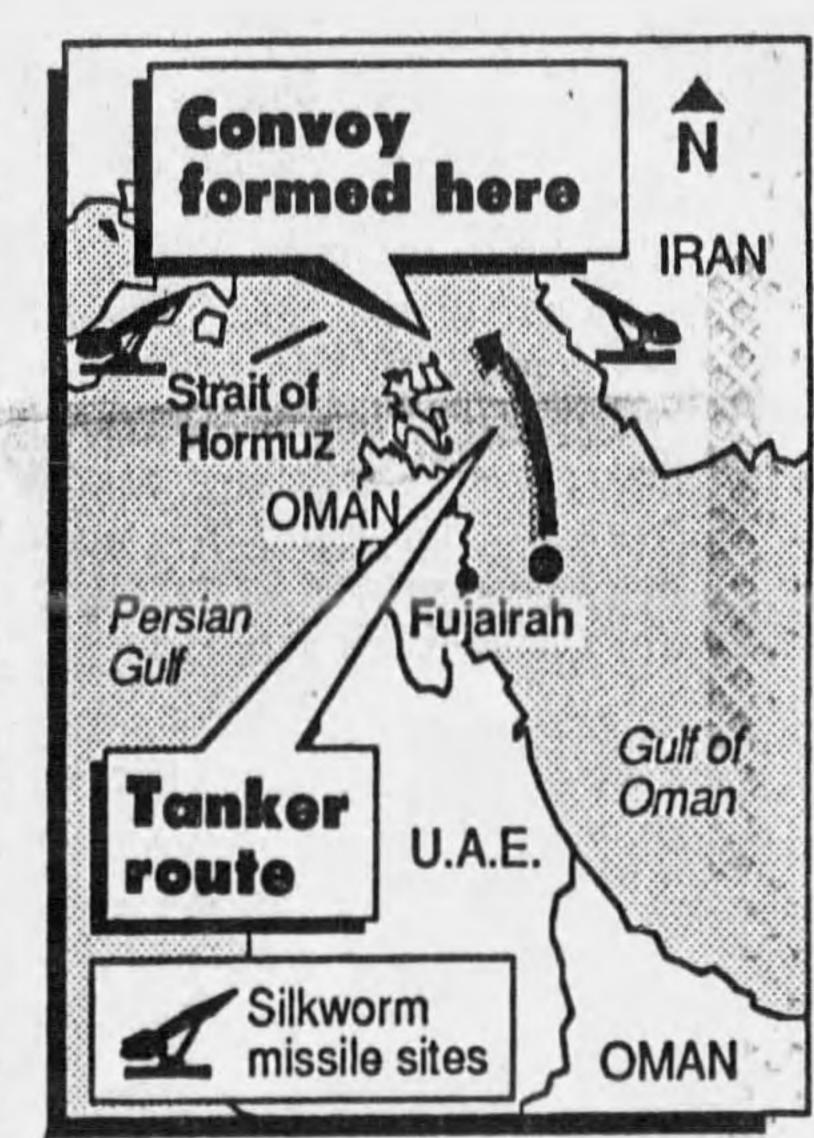
Khor Fakkan is 90 miles south of the Strait of Hormuz, the gateway to the gulf between Iran and

Iran has Silkworm anti-ship missiles on its side of the strait.

"We believe we have the capabilities to respond [militarily to an Iranian attack] - both in the air and on the sea - and we will certainly exercise those capabilities to protect the shipping," U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger told Reuters news service.

Navy Capt. David Yonkers, commander of Destroyer Squadron 14 in the gulf, said, "I personally don't believe they [Silkworms] will be used. If they were to launch one, that would probably be the last

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PTL report links Bakkers to \$792,000

Last funds they drew included secret 'loan'

The Washington Post

FORT MILL, S.C. - A new internal PTL report prepared for the embattled television ministry has uncovered hundreds of thousands of dollars in previously undisclosed payments to former Chairman Jim Bakker and his top aides in the final months of their leadership.

In the 21/2 months before Bakker resigned March 19 after confessing adultery, the evangelist and his wife, Tammy, drew \$792,000 in compensation from the ministry, including a \$150,000 "loan" that was never approved by the ministry's board of directors and has not been repaid, the report shows.

A copy of the report, prepared by PTL auditors, was obtained by The Washington Post.

The report provides the most complete accounting yet of the financial excesses of the Bakkers and their top aides at a time PTL was in the midst of a financial crisis. It offers new details about their freewheeling use of ministry credit cards, cash advances that were as high as \$30,000 in one day, and huge unexplained hotel bills for Bakker and his entourage.

The report was circulated among PTL officials in Fort Mill earlier this week, just a few days after an interagency federal task force investigating alleged wrongdoing during the Bakker years at PTL delivered a subpoena demanding hundreds of documents, letters, notes and memos from Bakker-era

The auditors' report also shows PTI, paid a \$225,000 bonus in Feb-

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Agent denies making threats against players

By Chris Mortensen Staff Writer

Sports agent Lloyd Bloom denied Tuesday making threats against any college athletes or their agents, and he said no more football or basketball players will lose NCAA eligibility because of dealings with him and his associate, Norby

Walters. "There aren't going to be any more bombshells because [Ohio

State's Cris] Carter is the last one," Bloom said.

Carter, an all-America wide re- in Chicago. ceiver, last week was ruled ineligible for his senior season because he had accepted money from and signed a contract with Walters and Bloom — violations of National Col-

legiate Athletic Association (NCAA) rules. Carter is one of five college athletes to lose their senior season of eligibility because of dealings

with the agents, who are under investigation by a federal grand jury

"That's it as far as underclassmen go," Bloom said. "No more names are going down. I know who we signed and who we didn't sign, and Carter was the last one" with eligibility still remaining.

Bloom said he and Walters were

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Senate OKs tough trade bill; veto threatened

The New York Times

WASHINGTON - The Senate approved sweeping trade legislation Tuesday night that threatened to Fowler, voted with the majority. spark a confrontation with President Reagan. If a compromise is not reached, the bill could become an important campaign issue.

The vote was 71-27, with 52 Democrats and 19 Republicans in favor. Only 27 Republicans voted against it despite a renewed veto threat and a last-minute plea from

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Reagan to oppose the bill.

Both of Georgia's senators, Democrats Sam Nunn and Wyche made it clear Tuesday that their

"When all is said and done, it will be up to the Democratic leadership as to whether or not Congress sends me a bill that I must veto or puts together something we can accept," Reagan told Republican leaders Tuesday morning.

"So far the signs point straight to veto," he said.

The administration objects to the Senate bill, but trade officials main problem is with retaliation measures in the House bill, approved in April.

The 1,000-page bill, approved after four grueling weeks of debate. sets a new tone for American trade policy by making retaliation against unfair trading practices more likely.

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High in mid-90s

Wednesday in Atlanta will be sunny and hot. High in the mid-90s. Details, 36-C.

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Former Vice President Walter Mondale said Tuesday that the Democratic Party needs to field a presidential candidate with appeal in the South if it expects to regain the White House. 2-A.

Letter from Conyers, Ga., cited by Poindexter as typical of support

By Scott Shepard and Bob Dart Journal-Constitution Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - Rear Adm. John Poindexter, near the end of his testimony Tuesday, cited a letter from Conyers, Ga., as typical of the support he has received since testifying last week.

On his fifth and final day before the Iran-contra committees, Poindexter said the letter from a Conyers woman was "truly representative" of the thousands of letters and telegrams he has received.

President Reagan's former national security adviser, forced to testify under a grant of limited immunity, pulled out the letter while being questioned by Rep. Ed Jenkins (D-Ga.).

Jenkins sparked laughter in the tensionfilled hearing room of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs when he noted that Conyers, which is east of Atlanta, is not in his North Georgia district.

"When I selected this letter, I frankly didn't notice where it was from," Poindexter said, "but I thought I should mention where it's from." He did not identify the woman who wrote it.

The letter writer said Poindexter and

Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North, who preceded Poindexter in giving testimony on the Irancontra scandal, "have served your country well." She praised both men for their "courage and dedication."

She criticized the news media for "irresponsible, untruthful reporting" on the hearings and on the Reagan administration's Central America policies. She also criticized Congress for "gradually usurping" presidential authority on foreign policy.

She said she now understands the issues in Central America as a result of the hearings and has written letters to Congress in support of continued funding for the anticommunist rebels in Nicaragua.

Poindexter said he has received "literally thousands" of letters and telegrams "from all over the country" similar to the one from Conyers. He said 98 percent to 99 percent have been positive and "clearly indicate to me" that the public is "getting the message" about the president's policies.

"The expressions of appreciation that they've made make the sacrifice all worth it to me," Poindexter said.

A week ago, in his first day of testimony, Poindexter said he approved a plan proposed by North to finance the contras with profits from secret arms sales to Iran. He

said he never told the president about his action, thus protecting Reagan from political embarrassment.

After listening to Poindexter read the letter, Jenkins said he would have "no problem" with having the Conyers woman live in his 9th District. Jenkins consistently has supported government funding of the

"I simply believe that it ought to be done through the United States government," Jenkins said, calling it "a terrible mistake" for the administration to rely on private sources to finance its foreign policy instead of winning congressional approval.

Reagan

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during a period when Congress had restricted government aid. Poindexter said he made a "very deliberate decision" not to tell Reagan about the diversion in order to provide political protection should the dealings be revealed.

Recalling Poindexter's days of testimony, Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii), chairman of the Senate Iran-contra committee, said the witness's "selected recollections" and admissions of previous withholding of information from Congress had left suspicions of a continuing cover-up.

"Can you tell us whether information is being withheld from us today or during the past week?"

Inouye asked. "Absolutely not," Poindexter replied. "I have not withheld any information from this hearing that I can accurately recall. ... What I testified, as I swore at the beginning of these hearings, is the ab-

solute truth and the whole truth." Poindexter, 50, will answer questions from the committees in a private session later. There will be no hearings Wednesday. The proceedings will resume Thursday, when the witness will be Secretary of State George Shultz.

Poindexter's testimony was perhaps the most important in 10 weeks of hearings as he backed up Reagan's longstanding statements that he never was told of the diversion.

But Tuesday even Republican committee members lectured Poindexter for making the decision to keep the president uninformed.

"You took the key player, the best player, out of the game," said Rep. Michael DeWine (R-Ohio).



John Poindexter



Sam Nunn

"You put yourself between Ronald Reagan and the American people. I think, in essence, that hurt the president, and I think it also hurt the American

In scolding Poindexter, Hamilton also faulted Reagan for creating a White House atmosphere where secrecy was excessively valued.

"You cannot gain and sustain the support of the Congress of the United States and the American people for significant foreign policy decisions when they are uninformed," Hamilton said, recalling how several administration officials had admitted misleading congressional committees.

Hamilton noted that the president "created the environment in the White House" in which Poindexter and Lt. Col. Oliver North operated.

The president "cared passionately about freeing the hostages and aiding the contras" and gave "broad authority" to Poindexter "to carry out those purposes," Hamilton said. "Apparently he did not spell out how you were to achieve those goals. You believed that it was left to you and to Lieutenant

Colonel North to make key decisions. But the president cannot delegate such authority."

Poindexter replied, "We'll have to agree, you and I, to disagree on your interpretation of many of the events."

Poindexter spent much of his final day of testimony explaining circumstances under which Reagan decided to sell arms to Iran at a time when Reagan opposed arms sales to Iran by other

Poindexter testified that the administration's secret arms sales to Iran were prompted, in part, by concern that Iran was losing its war with Iraq.

But Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.) challenged Poindexter's strategic view of the Iran-Iraq War. Nunn cited a Poindexter memo to Reagan that accompanied a proposed finding to give formal authorization for the arms sales in 1986. The memo, sent to the president in January 1986, agreed with Israel's concern about Iran's "deteriorating position" in the

"Everything that I recall about that period of time indicates that that position, though it may have very well have been the Israeli position, was not the United States government position, that is, we did not believe the Iranian position was deteriorating vis-a-vis Iraq in that war," Nunn said.

But Poindexter said the administration was "always concerned about the ability of the Iranians to hold on for a protracted period of time."

"The Iranians?" Nunn interrupted. "I thought it was the Iraqis we were worried about."

Poindexter said there were "differences of opinion" within the administration. He said members of the National Security Council and CIA Director William Casey shared the Israeli view of the Iran-Iraq War.

Walsh

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nied wrongdoing.

Although recent testimony by Lt. Col. Oliver North and Rear Adm. John Poindexter sometimes has focused on the Justice Department investigation, Walsh and his staff insist their investigation is not being influenced by the recent disclosures in Congress.

In fact, Walsh has ordered his staff not to read about, watch or listen to testimony from witnesses, including Poindexter and North, who received immunity. Under immunity rules, Walsh cannot bring criminal charges against such witnesses based on information obtained from their congressional

Law enforcement officials say Walsh and his staff are puzzled by errors made by Meese and his investigators that permitted White House officials, including North, to destroy critical documents

about the Iran arms sale. Walsh's intentions are not clear, but one official with knowledge of his inquiry said Walsh would try to determine whether Justice Department officials aided the White House in a criminal cover-up of

the Iran-contra affair. Recent testimony has raised questions about whether Meese had advance knowledge that CIA Director William Casey was preparing to deliver false testimony to Congress last November about the Iran arms sales. Meese has denied it.

According to one official, Walsh asked in his document request for any material referring to Casey's testimony and any Justice Department involvement in its preparation.

Agent

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unsuccessful in trying to sign three leading 1987 Heisman Trophy candidates: Tim Brown of Notre Dame, Gaston Green of UCLA and Lorenzo White of Michigan State.

"We spoke to Lorenzo White and we spoke to Tim Brown once, but neither guy wanted to sign," Bloom said. "I called Green, and he told me to talk to his father. That was the end of that."

Last week, former Auburn University running back Brent Fullwood said he told the grand jury that Bloom threatened to "bump off" his current agent, George Kickliter. Fullwood, who admits accepting money from Walters and Bloom before his senior season at Auburn, 'said the threat was made after he severed ties with Walters and Bloom and retained Kickliter.

"That is the stupidest thing I. ever heard," Bloom said Tuesday, responding to Fullwood's statement for the first time. "I never had a problem with Kickliter. Kickliter's still alive. That's a crazy statement."

There have been reports of other threats Bloom and Walters allegedly made against players and agents. Bloom said, "I wouldn't threaten anyone. This is insane." Walters and Bloom have admit-

ted giving money to college athletes who have signed postdated contracts to be represented by the agents, but they have denied breaking any laws. Green and White originally were

on a list of players to be subpoenaed by the grand jury, sources said. Walters said earlier it is possible their names surfaced because he had turned over all his records, including phone bills, to the FBI.

"They got everything because I have nothing to hide," Walters said. "We made a decision that since we had broken no laws, there was no reason not to fully cooperate. Some kids might have gotten their names in this because we called them. It's no crime to answer your phone, and it's no crime for us to call someone."

I have done nothing wrong. They could come up with some crazy indictment, but that doesn't mean I'm going to go away.

- Agent Lloyd Bloom

players with eligibility remaining it has my mother sick. It's incrediwho signed with the agents have now been identified by their colleges or newspaper reports. He identified those players as Carter, Charles Gladman and Teryl Austin of Pittsburgh, Alvin Miller of Notre bama. McKey is a basketball player statute. who was a first-round Nation Basketball Association. A draft choice by Seattle after he was declared inothers are football players.

jeopardy of losing eligibility until But schools that have lost players the FBI and the U.S. attorney's office began investigations in the

signed and played without loss of their senior season," Walters said. "This [exposure] is not our doing."

possible charges of extortion, fraud, mail fraud, wire fraud and violation of the Racketeering Influenced Corrupt Organizations Act against Walters and Bloom. The FBI began its investigation in late March, and the grand jury began hearing testimony

The grand jury is expected to hand down indictments, including plan, a conspiracy." some against current or former college athletes, within 45 days, sources said.

"I can talk for Lloyd Bloom, and Lloyd Bloom doesn't expect to be indicted," Bloom said Tuesday. "I have done nothing wrong. They could come up with some crazy in- many lawsuits we've filed? going to go away. Anybody can insane." come up with an indictment of any

"I'm really not worrying. I'm not panicking. I've done nothing illegal. The biggest thing I've done is get one or two speeding tickets. It

Bloom said the names of all [the investigation] has my wife sick;

ble what I've been called." Walters' son, attorney Gary Walters, said he believes the U.S. attorney's case was "significantly undercut" by a recent Supreme Court ruling that narrowed the Dame and Derrick McKey of Ala- scope of the federal mail fraud

person cannot be prosecuted for never leave again," Bloom said. mail fraud if there has been only in- "But if we lose these suits, then eligible for his senior season; the tangible damage. No college has suffered NCAA sanctions because of Walters said no player was in the agents' dealings with players. - Alabama (McKey), Ohio State (Carter), Pitt (Austin, Gladman) and Notre Dame (Miller) - could "Last year a lot of players argue that their losses have been tangible, sources said.

Bloom called allegations that he and Walters have threatened play-The grand jury is considering ers or other agents "a conspiracy." He said he has heard that former SMU players who signed with Walters and Bloom have said they were threatened by him.

"Do you notice where these [reports of] threats came from? They all seem to be Texas kids. They're all friends; they're all from the same school. So it's like there was a

Bloom said he would not deny that he has had "angry conversations" with some players.

"But why would I threaten someone?" he asked. "If I have a problem with someone, I'm going to take him to court. You see how dictment, but that doesn't mean I'm wouldn't threaten anybody. This is

Walters and Bloom have filed breach-of-contract suits against six players, all of them current or former National Football League firstround draft choices: Fullwood (Auburn, Green Bay Packers), Ronnie

Harmon (Iowa, Buffalo Bills), Terrence Flagler (Clemson, San Francisco 49ers), Reggie Rogers (Washington, Detroit Lions), Tony Woods (Pittsburgh, Seattle Seahawks) and Rod Woodson (Purdue, Pittsburgh Steelers). The agents also are negotiating several out-of-court settlements, including one with Atlanta Falcons second-round draft pick Kenny Flowers, who received \$17,000 during his senior season at Clemson, according to Flowers' agent, Gene Burrough.

Bloom said it is vital to his and Walters' sports representation business that they win the cases against the players.

"I feel if we win these lawsuits, The Supreme Court ruled that a then we can sign a kid, and he can football is not a business for anybody to be in. If we lose, then contract law means nothing with football players."

Walters recently said Bloom has "gotten us in a lot of trouble with his mouth."

Bloom responded, "Norby and I have our differences. Sometimes 1 might brag a little bit, but I don't think that got me in trouble. And officially, I never even gave out money. Any money that was sent to players was never from Lloyd Bloom. It came from the office. Yes, we're partners."

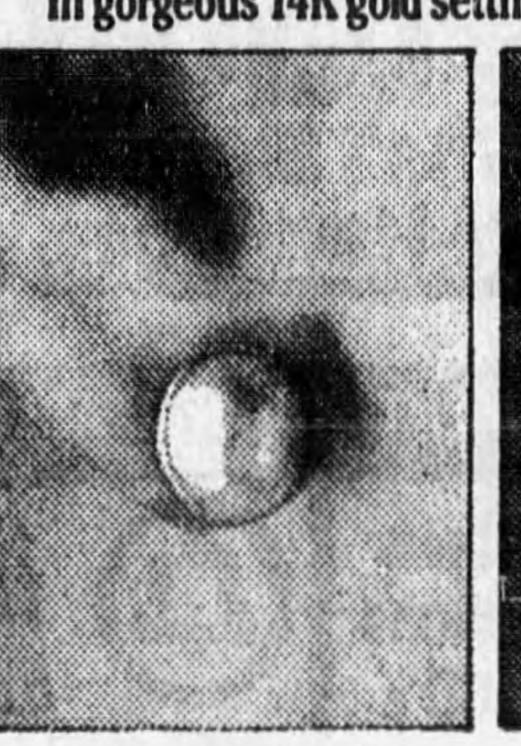
Bloom said he is living full time in California, while Walters operates the business out of New York. Bloom said he is not actively recruiting college players because he has been busy negotiating contracts for two first-round NFL draft picks: Paul Palmer of Temple (Kansas City Chiefs) and John Clay of Missouri (Los Angeles Raiders). Palmer has signed; Clay has not.

"We'll get back to [recruiting] players," Bloom said. "I don't think this stuff will hurt business too much. Let's put it this way: I feel that after this whole thing is over with, the investigation and all, there will be nothing bad ever said about us again. They will already have taken their best shot. We may come out of this stronger than we were."

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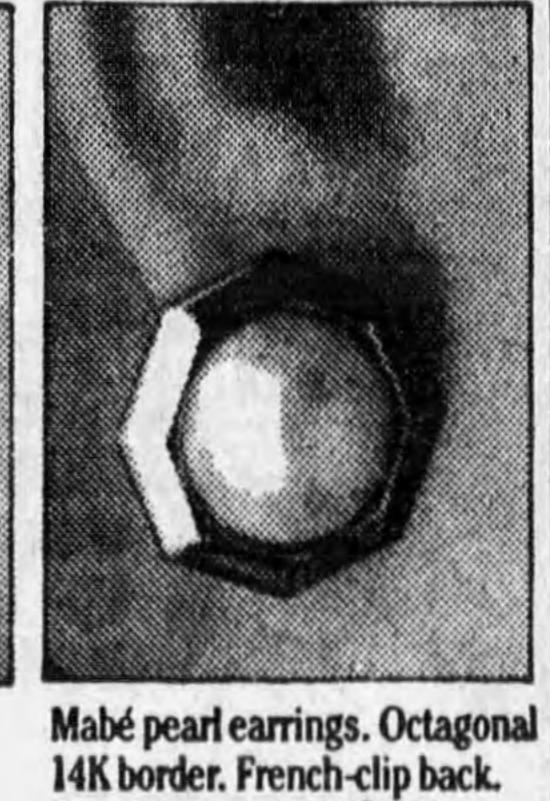
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Trade

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The bill aims to limit the president's discretion in trade matters, in part because the White House often has been reluctant to retaliate.

A House-Senate conference will work out differences between the two versions. Such action may start before the August recess, but it is not expected to be complete until

Republican and Democratic senators predicted they could write a compromise bill the president would

The 71 votes supporting the trade bill do not necessarily indi-

cate the Senate will find the 67 votes - two-thirds of its membership - needed to override a veto. Many Republicans voting for the bill said they would switch if they do not like what comes out of the conference.

Among issues to reconcile is the House bill's amendment, introduced by Richard Gephardt (D-Mo.), which requires retaliation against nations that persist in keeping U.S. products out of their markets. Japan often is mentioned as one such country.

The bill also included:

A two- to five-year import ban on all products made by Toshiba Corp. of Japan and the stateowned Kongsberg Vaapenfabrikk of Norway. The ban was imposed because the two companies sold sophisticated propeller-milling equip-

ment to the Soviet Union, allowing Moscow to make quieter submarines that can evade detection.

Proposals aimed at getting Japan to open its markets or buy me e U.S. products. Among them are an investigation of unfair trade linked to restriction of American bids to work on the giant Kansai airport and a resolution urging Japan to buy American F-15s rather than designing its own jet fighter.

A provision designed to require the White House to take action against countries such as Japan that consistently deny access to U.S. products. The proposal is an alternative to the House-approved Gephardt amendment, which requires retaliation. The Senate gives the president discretion to determine the retaliation, which could be mild.

A requirement that companies give 60 days' notice to employees and local governments of plant closings or mass layoffs.

A provision that limits the president's discretion in deciding not to grant relief to domestic industries from the impact of a flood of fairly traded imports. After approving the provision, the Senate restored some of the discretion by allowing the president to consider the impact on the poor and agriculture.

A provision expanding the trade adjustment assistance program for displaced workers and a provision making the denial of workers' rights, such as forming a union, by America's trading partners an unfair trade practice.

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Sports

Falcons object to sports columns, refuse to pay for ads



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Rankin Smith Jr.

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By I.J. Rosenberg

Staff Writer

The Atlanta Falcons, objecting to sports columns they consider unfavorable to the team's management, have refused to pay for two advertisements that appeared in The Atlanta Journal and The Atlanta Constitution.

In a July 14 letter to the newspapers' accounting and advertising departments, Falcons marketing director Tommy Nobis

Seems like every time we run an ad, they have an editorial column right next to the ad, and they rip us apart. We just don't think that is real appropriate.

— Rankin Smith Jr. Falcons president

\$2,053.70 from their June advertising statement because "the contents of two articles defeated the purpose of our ads."

The two ads appeared the same days as the columns.

Nobis said the newspapers would be paid for ads that appeared in issues that

didn't contain unfavorable editorial content.

The Falcons objected to columns by Dave Kindred on May 20 and Furman Bisher on June 14. The ads for Falcons season tickets appeared the same days as the columns but on different pages of the sports section.

Nobis's letter read: "To maintain a good working relationship with your newspaper is very important to our organization. However, over the past 21 years, we

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Terence Moore

College superstars master the art of calling the shots

The modern art of college athletes negotiating professional contracts began earlier this decade. There was John Elway, all teeth and hair, suggesting that the city of Baltimore ranked just below Hades. He wouldn't go. He stomped his pigeon-toed feet. He huffed and puffed. He ordered the Colts to trade his considerable talent and ego to an NFL city without crab cakes.

So off went Elway to the Denver Broncos, and here we are in the midst of a wonderful epidemic.

Just the other day, Navy Ensign David Robinson, the NBA's No. 1 draft pick, read his ransom note during a press conference in St. Marys, Ga. Robinson is stationed there. Instead of receiving the customary five years of active duty after graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy, he was given a two-year commitment by former Secretary of Navy John F. Lehman Jr.

Those things happen when you're 7-foot-1 and play with a swan's grace. These things happen, too: You scream if you're drafted by a team you don't like, say, the San Antonio Spurs. Robinson cites a loophole in the NBA rules. He says he wishes to be treated like other rookies who don't sign with teams this season. He says he wants to re-enter the draft in 1988. He says he'll sign with the Spurs if they satisfy some demands.

'Nobody on this planet is overpaid'

"They have to show me that they have the will to want to win and to want to make their team better in the next few years," Robinson says. "They have to show me that the players enjoy playing there, that the fans will come out and support the team. It's a packaging thing. The money isn't the main thing. They have to make themselves look good when I go

See, college superstars are thinking before signing anything these days. Good. They deserve the best deal possible. As Jackie Gleason used to say, "Nobody on this planet is overpaid." If somebody is willing to give a comedian, an anchorman, a third baseman, a salesman or a garbage man megabucks, then the law of supply and demand lives. The problem is: pro leagues have strangled the law with their drafts, free-agent policies and collusion tactics. They want

Once, college superstars participated in the drafts of pro leagues, signed with their designated teams and kept their mouths shut. Now such players shake the purses of their prospective bosses until the last coin drops out. They make sure their playing environment is conducive to their overall welfare. They try to slam-dunk the system.

After Bernie Kosar graduated from the University of Miami in 1985 with his surgeon's arm, he cringed when he was picked by the Buffalo Bills in the NFL's supplemental draft that summer. He said his heart was with the Cleveland Browns, located a bomb or two from his native Youngstown. He demanded a trade. He got a trade. Why not? If his talents didn't command such a deal, he'd be preparing for another Buffalo winter without hope instead of traveling to the Browns' training camp this month after leading his team to the AFC championship game last season.

Elway had his way, and Bo did, too

Consider, too, that Elway led the Broncos to the Super Bowl last season while the Colts searched for decency.

Then there is Bo Jackson, the man who never met a compliment he didn't like. He refused to sign with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers as the NFL's No. 1 pick during the 1986 draft. Instead, Jackson became an outfielder for the Kansas City Royals, but there were certain stipulations. He wanted to stay in the minors only for so many weeks. He wanted the option to leave baseball for football in the middle of each season of his three-year contract. Most recently, he told the Royals to rewrite his contract so he can play for the Los Angeles Raiders during off-seasons.

Jackson's arrogance is a bit much for us to handle, but if somebody wishes to grant the man everything shy of Tuesdays and Thursdays, great. You have to get what you can while you can, which is the way Brian Bosworth and his agent are getting the most from their moment in glory. Before entering the NFL's supplemental draft last month, Bosworth sent

22 of the league's 28 teams rejection letters.

The Seattle Seahawks picked first in the supplemental draft, but they were on Bosworth's 'no' list.

He wants a trade. No problem, just wait and see.

Constitution sports columnist Dave Kindred is on vacation. His column will resume shortly.



WILLIAM BERRY/Staff

Going for the gold, gold, gold

RALEIGH, N.C. — Kelcie 'Mr. Mix' Banks (left) hits Tony Braxton with an uppercut in Banks' 4-1 win Tuesday night at the Olympic Fes-

tival. Banks, who hopes to box in the Olympics, won his third consecutive Festival gold medal in the 125-pound class. Story, Page 3-D.

NFL will huddle on Carter's draft petition

By Chris Mortensen
Staff Writer

The NFL expressed reservations Tuesday on whether it will conduct a special draft for college players recently declared ineligible for dealings with

"It's certainly not automatic," said Joe Browne, director of communications for commissioner Pete Rozelle. "I don't think that we've ever had a request of

this nature where a player was declared ineligible for accepting money."

Browne acknowledged that the NFL received a petition Tuesday for a supplemental draft from Ohio State wide receiver Cris Carter, who was declared ineligible last week for accepting money from Walters and Bloom. The petition was filed by Carter's attorney, Bob Berry, who said Carter wants to "sever all ties with Walters and Bloom."

United Press International

University of Pittsburgh running back Charles Gladman, declared ineligible last month for signing with the agents, will petition the NFL this week for a supplemental draft, according to Bloom. Pitt defensive back Teryl Austin,

also delcared ineligible for signing with the agents, is awaiting an appeal by the school for reinstatement of his senior season's eligibility.

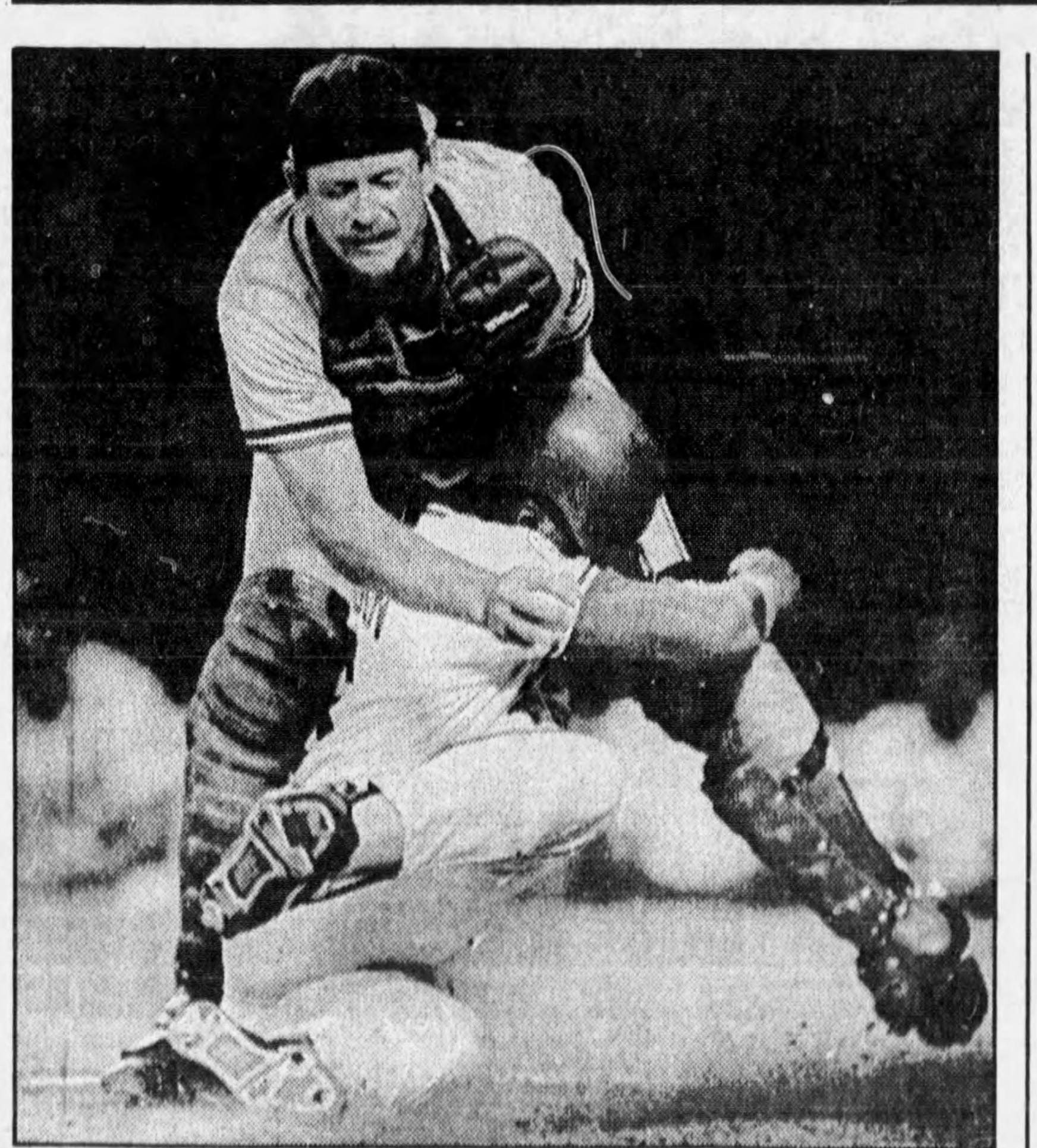
Gladman and Carter were projected

by NFL scouts as possible first-round draft picks in 1988.

"We will review these requests, and commissioner Rozelle will make a decision in the next few weeks," said Browne. "It's a different situation."

Supplemental drafts are individually approved for players who are not eligible for the NFL's regular draft. The

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Second inning, goal to go

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Royals' Bo Jackson slides into Indians catcher Rick Dempsey at the plate. Jackson was out, and Dempsey left the game with an injury. See AL Roundup, Page 4-D.

Alexander brings Mets and slump to a halt 8-3

Braves Notebook, Page 2-D
By Gerry Fraley
Staff Writer

NEW YORK — All Doyle Alexander ever wanted, besides a multiyear contract, was a lead. The Atlanta Braves gave it to him in a helmet-tossing, bat-flinging, bench-kicking frenzy Tuesday night.

The Braves jumped on Dwight Gooden four pitches into the game and never slowed. They ended a five-game losing streak with an 8-3 victory at Shea Stadium.

The victory was notable for two reasons. Alexander, who had received only six runs in losing five consecutive starts, held the Mets to four hits and retired 16 of the last 18 hitters. The Braves, who had scored only nine runs in their losing streak, finally looked at themselves and did not like the view.

"We got angry at ourselves," said third baseman Ken Oberkfell, one of the legions who flung some piece of equipment at a solid object. "We had to start playing hard again and let it go. We couldn't let this keep going."

The Braves took out the anger in constructive ways. Dion James, unhappy at a

Amazin' Braves Date Result

Date	Result
April 10	Mets won 6-3
April 11	Braves won 4-3
April 12	Braves won 4-1
May 8	Braves won 4-3
May 9	Braves won 5-4
May 10	Braves won 8-7
July 7	Mets won 6-2
	Mets won 5-1
July 8	Braves won 5-3
July 20	Mets won 9-2
July 21	Braves won 8-3
Series	Braves 7, Mets 4

weekend benching, homered on Gooden's fourth pitch of the game. Dale Murphy, who set a career record for the helmet toss, hit a two-run homer in the eighth to make the lead 7-3.

"There was a lot of frustration," said Murphy, who had only one homer in his

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Miller, Falcons \$1 million apart in salary negotiations

Falcons Notebook, Page 2-D By Glenn Sheeley Staff Writer

With the Atlanta Falcons and quarterback Chris Miller's representatives about \$1 million apart in negotiations for a four-year contract, the No. 1 draft choice is prepared to remain out of training camp beginning Sunday to satisfy his financial desires.

"I'm here, and I want to sign and get on with it," Miller said Tuesday during an informal workout at Suwanee. "I've got my hopes that I'll be in on time, but I've talked to a lot of people - players and agents who've made it clear to me that the first contract you sign is the most important one, and you've got to get what you're worth."

Sources indicate that agents Mike Blatt and Frank Bauer of Stockton, Calif., are seeking a four-year contract worth approximately \$2.55 million, well above the \$1.5million offer the Falcons have put on the table. Miller said he wants an agreement comparable to recent No. 1 picks Bill Fralic (1985) and Tony Casillas (1986), whose contracts were for \$2.35 million over four

"It's out of my hands," Miller said. "That's my agents' job. But somewhere around those figures - about what Fralic and Casillas got - is what I hope to get."

Falcons president Rankin Smith Jr. said last week the team "screwed up" with money paid to Fralic and Casillas, both No. 2 selections in the overall draft.

"He said he made a mistake," Miller said, "but he's the one who gave them that up. much money."

Miller, the draft's 13th selection, has talked frequently enough with Blatt and Bauer to realize Falcons management is using the \$1.75-million contract signed last year by Detroit's Chuck Long, the 12th pick

overall, as a standard. But Miller feels that the former Iowa quarterback "could have gotten around \$2 million."

"Chuck Long might have cost himself \$200,000 or \$300,000 because that was his preference to get in to camp," Miller said, "but in today's age, when you have the opportunity to make yourself financially stable, you have to get what you're worth."

Miller said that "the next three, four or five days will tell whether I'm going to be in on time."

Falcons chief financial officer Jim Hay, who spoke with Blatt Monday, said Tuesday, "We've still got some distance to make

"We're optimistic," Hay said. "We're going to try and make a run at this thing this week. We want to have as few holdouts as we can."

The Falcons have 20 unsigned players - eight rookies and 12 veterans - with

rookies scheduled to report for camp Sunday and veterans due July 31.

As much as Miller wants a contract suitable to him, he does not enjoy the idea of a holdout. Aware that he cannot be on the field without a contract when official workouts begin Monday, Miller said, "I wonder if I can hang around the hillside."

Except for a break between mid-June and mid-July when the coaches were on vacation, he has been working with offensive coach Rod Dowhower and other Falcons quarterbacks at Suwanee. He looks fit after adding about 10 pounds to his 200-pound frame since a flu attack that weakened him in May minicamp.

"I've been here working and studying this stuff like crazy," he said. "I think it's helped me a lot."

Miller isn't quite as visible as he was during his initial stay. Moving out of the adjacent Falcon Inn, he rented an apart-

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ment in the area. He does not feel working out at Suwanee weakens his bargaining

"It's not free work," he said. "I think it's going to help me. If I was to start in training camp from zero, I would have been in big trouble."

Blatt, one of his agents, would not comment about the possibility of a holdout. Concerning the Long contract figures, he said, "We won't accept that."

Miller, who is insured against injury while he is unsigned, does not dispute the contention by unsigned veteran quarterback Dave Archer that Archer is the current starter. However, Miller also admits to not knowing "what their plans are" on how much he will play and when.

"They drafted me to come in and compete for the job," Miller said, "but he's the No. 1 guy going in here, and I haven't done anything yet to justify much."

Carter

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most recent supplemental draft was held in June, primarily for Oklahoma linebacker Brian Bosworth, who had graduated with a year of college eligibility remaining.

Supplemental drafts have been held in recent years for a handful of players who were ruled ineligible for reasons that included disciplinary action by the school. None involved the signing of an agent.

Ohio State coach Earle Bruce and Pitt coach Mike Gottfried said they urged the NFL this week not to allow their former players to join the league this season.

"I have a real concern that if the NFL sets this precedent, it's going to open the door for any kid who wants out of college early," said Gottfried. "All a player has to do is sign with an agent and get dedeterrent, and the NFL can help us. We've had a good relationship in this area."

NFL sources say the league will deliberate carefully before making a decision. They indicated a legal challenge by the players would not be welcome.

Berry, the Boston College law professor who represented Carter last week at the press conference in which Ohio State declared Carter ineligible, said he believes the NFL will allow his client to play this year.

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have been given reason to question

the newspaper's attitude regarding

this relationship. A prime example

of why we question what type of re-

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once, but twice during the months

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Jr. said Tuesday. "Seems like every

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Falcons owner Rankin Smith Sr.

of May and June."

say what I think."

"There are just so many cir-



Cris Carter

cumstances that led to the signing," said Berry. "He was coerced by his older brother (George) to sign. And think it's clear that the farthest thing from Cris' mind was that he signed so he could become ineligible this year. That is evident by his acclared ineligible. There has to be a tions (of denying he signed), and by the fact we worked behind the scenes to try and restore his eligibility."

> Berry has told the NFL that he would represent Carter in negotiations if a supplemental draft is allowed. But Bloom said he believed that he and Walters still represented Carter.

> "I got a call at 2 this morning (Tuesday) from Cris and George, saying they still wanted us to represent them," said Bloom.

> Said Berry: "That's interesting because Cris has told me he wants to sever all ties with them."

Packers, Fullwood far apart in talks

From Wire Reports

GREEN BAY, Wis. - The Green Bay Packers and first-round draft choice Brent Fullwood are still far apart in contract negotiations with rookies due to report Friday.

Fullwood, a running back from Auburn, was the fourth pick of the first round. Only four first-round

draftees have signed. Packers vice president Tom Braatz said he is talking daily with George Kickliter, Fullwood's agent. But Braatz said he is less opti-

mistic than he was a week ago about Fullwood reporting on time. He said many of the first-round picks are waiting to see what happens to Alabama linebacker Cornelius Bennett, who was taken second in the first round by Indianapolis. Bennett and the Colts are still negotiating.

The agent for linebacker Johnny Holland, the Packers' second-round pick from Texas A&M, said he hoped to get his client signed by Friday. But Gary Kovacs said he 1052 Peachtree St. N.E. isn't close to an agreement with the Packers on behalf of Holland.

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said: "I haven't seen (Nobis') letter, and I refuse to comment." Said Journal and Constitution

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per, the organization is being knocked, and it's not even football season," Nobis said. "We asked the paper if we could get the ads rerun at another time. But they said they couldn't do that."

In Kindred's May 20 column, he wrote: "Even the owner, who should know, says the Falcons have been a sorry outfit in their 21 years. They have won just one playoff game. Failing at football judgment, they have searched for another way out of this trough of despair. They have decided a new stadium will do it ...

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In Bisher's June 14 column, he wrote: "That little pop-and-son operation is talking taking flight to Jacksonville. After 21 years, the Rankin Smiths have decided they don't like their deal, don't like the press atmosphere and have taken cover in their back offices at Suwanee. 'They're not making enough money,' somebody said the other day, explaining why the Gator Bowl looks appealing.

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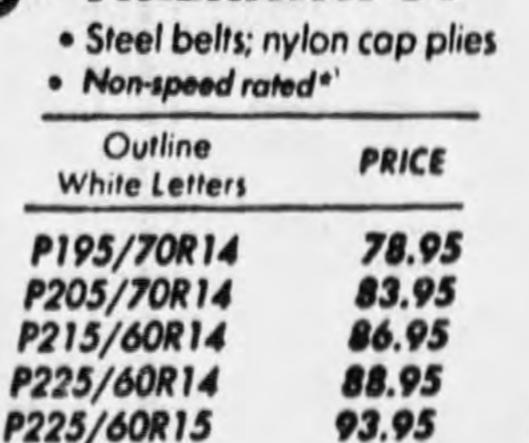
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