

Nation's leaders predict heavy defense spending

WASHINGTON (AP)— Congressional leaders of both parties signaled strongly yesterday that the \$974 billion budget President Reagan is submitting to Congress is top-heavy with defense spending requests and is likely to undergo major revision.

On the eve of the budget's formal submission, House and Senate Leaders were predicting widespread congressional resistance to the budget's call for a military spending increase of some \$30 billion over this year's levels.

"The president, I must say, is in a fairly comfortable position. He says 'don't touch Social Security. Don't touch defense. Don't raise taxes. and you can't touch interest on the national debt.' That doesn't leave a great deal," said Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole, R-Kan.

"Those of us in the Congress have to maybe look beyond some of the president's promises of the campaign," Dole added. He was interviewed on the ABC-TV program, "This Week with David Brinkley." Dole said military spending decreases and a possible freeze on Social Security benefits - both rejected by the Reagan administration - would be "back on the table" as the Senate begins work on the 1986 budget.

He also suggested that the Senate might scale back Reagan's request for cuts in the student loan program.

Dole suggested that the Senate might vote to limit growth in the defense budget to 3 percent next year after inflation, instead of the 9.5 percent figure advocated by the administration, for a defense savings of "around \$18 billion to \$20 billion."

House Majority Leader Jim Wright, D-Texas, interviewed on the same program, said the proposed budget shows "a blind spot on the part of Mr. Reagan and also Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger. When they speak of spending, they don't mean military spending. When they speak of shrinking government, they don't think of the Pentagon as a part of government."

Although the budget itself was not to be formally released until 1:30 p.m. EST today, its details have been widely circulated for the past several days - from documents passed out at congressional briefings to remarks from administration officials.

The proposed budget is expected to call for \$973.7 billion in spending and to project a \$180 billion deficit - if all the spending cuts Reagan wants are approved. This year's deficit is expected to run \$222.2 billion.

Reagan's budget is expected to call for domestic spending cuts of around \$39 billion - including cutbacks in Medicare, farm price supports, student loans, housing aid and mass transit.

Black history celebrated

February is Black History Month. The nationally recognized awareness month began as Black History Week on Feb. 7, 1926.

The purpose then was to clarify in a scholarly manner, specific details of the black experience in America, said Earl Smith, professor of black studies programs.

Carter G. Woodson has been credited as the founder of Black History Week. He also started in 1916 the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History, which has been publishing the Journal of Negro History since then. Almost all big name historians in the negro field have at some point published their research in this magazine, Smith said. "It's the magazine of the field," he said.

In the early 1900s, there were still questions as to whether or not black people were really people, Smith said. "Geneticists were weighing brains to tell who was smarter." This is what Woodson and his pioneers had to deal with, Smith said. "The genesis of Black History Month came out of the most crude reactionary forms of racism," he said.

The purpose of Black History Month has changed somewhat because some education has taken place, Smith said. The main purpose, however, has remained the same. "That is to illuminate the education of the dominant society to the accomplishments of the black people, so that the black experience is not thought of as a negative experience," Smith said.

"There is a connotation in our society that there is something wrong with black people," he said. One of the goals is to highlight the positive experience of black people.

Being around different cultures enriches each student's educational experience, Smith said. Whether or not they accept a different culture is a different story, he said. "I have not as yet been able to gauge the climate of this campus."

Consider the reactions to the Gay Peoples Alliance, which shows intolerance to things outside of the norm, defined as deviant, he said. "There are lots of narrow-minded leaders annoyed and possibly threatened by the GPA. The barrage of reactions are the kind when people don't think through their responses," Smith said.

The question still being raised in classes in 1985, "Do blacks cry?", strongly suggests the need for Afro-American education.

Book contest

Cash and prizes totaling \$750 are being offered in the seventh annual Student Book Collection Competition.

First and second place prizes will be awarded in undergraduate and graduate categories, with a special \$150 prize for an outstanding collection in the field of modern American literature.

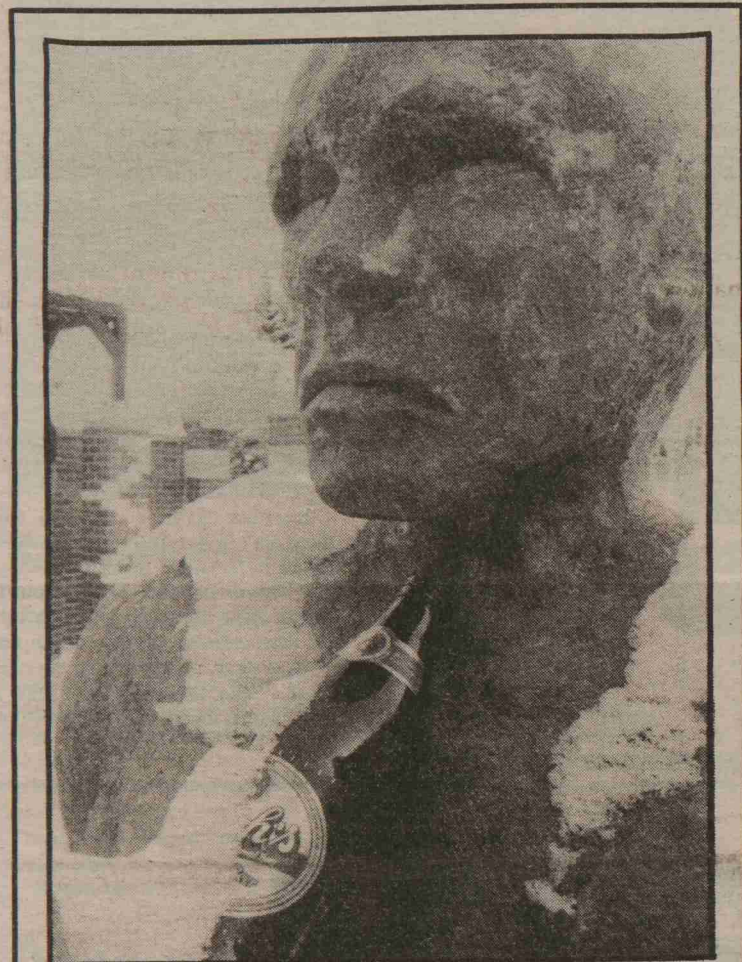
The contest is open to all students enrolled here. The books must be owned and collected by the student.

Each student's collection must be accompanied by an annotative bibliography and a short statement of purpose describing how and why the collection was assembled.

The contest, which is unique to the Pacific Northwest, will begin accepting entries today with the final judging on March 3. A panel of faculty members will evaluate the entries.

John F. Guido who heads the Manuscripts, Archives and Special Collections, said past entries have included a wide variety of topics: science, fine arts, mountain climbing and work by a specific author have all been submitted before.

Guido said an awards ceremony sometime in mid-April is scheduled to announce the winners. Further information and entry blanks are available at all campus libraries.



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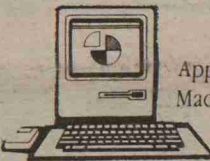

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Bomb injures 69 Americans


ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Thirteen injured U.S. servicemen and dependents, among the 69 Americans wounded when a bomb exploded in a crowded bar, were airlifted to a U.S. base in West Germany on Sunday for treatment, U.S. and Greek officials said.

The explosion Saturday night injured 78 people and was the first reported terrorist attack on a facility frequented by U.S. military personnel in Greece. A caller to an Athens newspaper claimed responsibility for the blast, criticized U.S. policy and said attacks on Americans would continue.


Seven Greeks, a West German and an Ethiopian also were reported injured when, Greek police said, a "powerful time bomb" went off under one of the tables at Bobby's, a bar in the seaside Athens suburb of Glyfada.

The bar is popular with many of the 1,500 U.S. Air Force personnel stationed at Hellenikon Air Base next to Athens airport. A caller claiming to represent the "National Front" asserted responsibility for the blast in a call Sunday night to the Athens Daily Eleftherotipat.


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