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## Star gazing

Carol Downey and Ann Jones, both nursing juniors, gaze at the Christmas tree at Triangle Park. The two women were shopping downtown last night.

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## President's spokesman moves to Wall Street

By MICHAEL PUTZEL  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Presidential spokesman Larry Speakes, who faced the daily grind of White House briefings longer than any of his recent predecessors, announced yesterday he is resigning to take an executive post with Merrill Lynch & Co., the Wall Street investment firm.

Speakes, 47, had been negotiating for the senior vice presidency, which sources have said pays about \$250,000 a year in salary and benefits, for two months. He plans to begin his new job Feb. 1.

President Reagan, when asked how he felt about his chief spokes-

man leaving in the midst of the furor over his secret arms sales to Iran and the diversion of profits to Nicaraguan rebels, smiled and told reporters: "Congratulate him on getting a fine job."

Speakes, announcing his decision at his daily mid-day briefing, said the new job "comes as close to matching this as anything could."

"Nothing could ever match this," he said of the \$75,000-a-year job he has unashamedly adored, despite the constant grilling of the White House press corps, with which he has maintained a relationship marked both by rancor and rapport.

Administration sources, asking to remain anonymous, have said Interior Undersecretary Ann Dure Mc-

Laughlin is Speakes' most likely successor if White House chief of staff Donald T. Regan keeps his job in the face of congressional pressure for his resignation over the handling of the secret weapons deal.

Mrs. McLaughlin worked for Regan when he was treasury secretary and sources say she has been advising him on how to deal with the present crisis. She would be the first woman to run the White House press office.

Marlin Fitzwater, Vice President George Bush's press secretary and another former Regan associate at Treasury, also has been mentioned as a prime candidate for Speakes' job.

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## Senate Council OKs change in policy for excused absences

By BRAD COOPER  
Assistant News Editor

The Senate Council yesterday passed a proposed policy that would allow students to withdraw from a course if they have missed more than 20 percent of their classes. The proposal, which only applies to excused absences, would revise the wording in the University Senate Rules that governs absences.

"This helps with balancing the rights of the student," said Michael Brooks, chairman of the ad hoc committee on student affairs, which brought the proposal to the Senate Council.

"I think it's a step in the right direction, only time will tell," Brooks said.

According to the senate rules, students can be excused from their classes if they or a member of their immediate family is seriously ill or dies.

Students can also be excused from their classes for both academic and athletic University-sponsored events.

Students can also be excused for major religious holidays celebrated by their individual denominations.

Currently, the senate rules give instructors the right to urge students to either take an incomplete for the class or drop it if they have missed

more than 10 percent of their classes. Grade point average is not taken into account.

The proposed policy establishes a minimum attendance requirement for students.

Under the proposal, students would be required to have no more than 10 excused absences for a course taught three days a week during a 16-week semester.

For a class taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays, students could have no more than six excused absences.

The requirement for classes held once a week would be three excused absences.

The original proposal would have allowed students missing more than 20 percent of their classes to petition for an incomplete.

However, council members struck that from the proposal because they thought students would have trouble finishing classwork they missed the first time.

"Too many absences, regardless of reason, would justify not completing the course," said Elnid Waldhart, a council member and professor of communications.

"Even though a student may have missed for legitimate reasons, there are certain classes that if missed, for whatever reason, can't be completed," Waldhart said.

Council member Bill Lyons agreed with Waldhart.

"It's a matter of choice. It's your right to evaluate whether you want to go to that lecture or not."

Cyndi Weaver,  
SGA senator

"As I understand it, at this University an incomplete is only to be awarded if a student has a snowball's chance of completing the covered material," said Lyons, a professor of political science.

Brooks, who served as the academic ombudsman during 1980-81, said he once advised a student whose professor scolded to fail her because she was unable to take a final because her father died.

Her absence on the day of the final would have violated the instructor's attendance requirement, Brooks said.

Under the proposed policy, "it would have never been an issue," he said.

Brooks, however, said there are certain classes, which have lab assignments that if missed would be difficult to complete.

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## Professor discusses Iran deal

By THOMAS J. SULLIVAN  
Staff Writer

President Reagan's troubles are nothing new, it's happened before and it will happen again.

That was the opinion of Vincent Davis, director of the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce, in a forum on the Iranian arms crisis last night.

The first question Davis raised was whether any laws have been broken by the president in his involvement in the trading of arms to Iran for American hostages.

"This can only be answered in official judicial proceedings," he said, "none have occurred. No real issues of constitutionality have been raised."

If the case were to go to court, the possibility of Reagan's impeachment probably wouldn't come up, he said. "Nobody has seriously mentioned the possibility of impeaching President Reagan."

This raises a problem in Congress with the president's power. It is possible that Reagan could use his pardoning power to pardon convictions brought against members of his Cabinet, he said.

Davis cited numerous examples of similar problems in the past. What Reagan has done is nothing new; similar actions have been performed by past presidents and will probably happen again in the future, he said.

"Reagan's use of organizational machinery really isn't that irregular," Davis said. They are similar to uses in both the Carter and Kennedy administrations, he said.

"One irony in the current controversy," Davis said, is that there has been a total of five different national security advisers during Reagan's



VINCENT DAVIS

presidency. There were only five in the 20 years preceding, he said.

Davis questioned the ability of the president to do his job competently. "The skills and talents required to run for president are not necessarily the same talents required to be president," he said.

Davis quoted this month's cover of Fortune magazine saying: "Surround yourself with the best people you can find, delegate authority and don't interfere with it." But Davis doesn't think Reagan has the ability to do that.

"In my opinion Reagan doesn't know who the right people are," he said. This is due to the fact that, like Carter, Reagan entered the presidency as a second career too late in life. Neither Reagan nor Carter ever took a course in national security, he said.

Reagan has done a better job than Carter as far as learning faster, he said, but America has paid for the "on the job training."

Davis attributed Reagan's early success in his first year as president to the presence of friends in his Cabinet. Now there are many strangers in the Cabinet and problems are showing.

## SAB selects committee leaders, members at large

By EVA J. WINKLE  
Staff Writer

The Student Activities Board has completed selections to fill five vacancies and a new position on the board.

SAB chose the six members from 21 applicants Wednesday night. Amy Boucher was named concert co-chairwoman. Mary Wis Estes was chosen as the homcoming chairwoman and Angela Ray was named visual arts chairwoman. Jenny Logeman and Beth Dorris were selected as members at large.

Wendy McElroy was chosen to fill the new position of Parents' Weekend chair.

SAB president Lynne Hunt said she felt "very positive" about the selections she and a committee chaired by Member at Large Laura Lovelace made.

"It was a very hard decision," Hunt said. "There were so many good applications it was incredible."

"We had quite a few applicants of very high quality," Lovelace said.

Hunt said SAB was looking for students who would be dedicated to the

committees they chaired as well as to the board. She said an ability to "tackle problems" and "to make the board think" were also necessary qualities.

"We need people who are going to sit back and question the board so we can make sure we're covering all angles," Hunt said.

"We feel like the selections we made were for the best of the board as a whole," she said.

Lovelace described the ideal candidate as one who had a "sincere dedication, leadership ability and the ability to get started right now."

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Lynne Hunt,  
SAB president

She said she called the applicants who were not selected and encouraged them to be members of SAB committees.

## Dr. Ruth to speak tonight

Staff reports

Dr. Ruth Westheimer, the "good sex doctor," will speak on campus at 8 tonight in the Center for the Arts.

Westheimer, a noted sex therapist, has syndicated radio and television shows. The therapist's shows offer explicit advice and explanation on sexual mores and dilemmas of contemporary society.

Her television show appears on the cable network Lifetime.

Westheimer has expanded her popular brand of sex expertise to appearances on talk shows, such as David Letterman and Johnny Carson.

Westheimer, whose UK appearance is sold out, was scheduled to speak at East Tennessee State University yesterday as part of a nationwide tour of college campuses.

## Students exchange books, dollars

By BOBBY WOLOCH  
Staff Writer

If students are interested in making a few dollars and getting rid of a few books, check out the Student Government Association's Book Exchange.

Anyone wishing to sell books through the exchange can set the desired prices. But SGA has changed the procedure for registering and selling books from a student-to-student exchange to a centralized book exchange, said Karen Skeens, SGA executive vice president.

"In the past, it has been up to the (purchaser) to contact the student," Skeens said. "It wasn't quite as convenient to the student" who wanted to buy books through the program.

SGA decided to change the program when the organization "heard about the centralized book exchange, which is a very successful program" at the University of Louisville, she said. "We model ours after theirs."

The program benefits both the purchaser, who buys the book at a lower price, and the seller, who can set the price. "It has advantages for both students involved," she said.

Skeens said SGA will continue publishing the exchange catalog,

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Karen Skeens,  
SGA vice president

which lists the books available and their price ranges.

Students who want to participate in the book exchange may register their books from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 111 Student Center or 306D Kirwan-Blanding Commons cafeteria Dec. 15-19.

Students may also register Jan. 12-13, but Skeens said students have a better chance of getting books sold if they register earlier.

SGA will shelve all books and begin selling them Jan. 12 in 111 Student Center.

A 5 percent charge is added to each purchase to pay Chi Omega sorority for helping operate the exchange.

"I don't think the 5 percent charge is anything to worry about," she said. "Students are still getting a much better deal."

Skeens encourages students interested in saving money to use the book exchange because its success depends on their participation.

"The money does not profit the student government," she said.

### INSIDE

Cats and Hoosters duke it out in Bloomington tomorrow. For a preview, see SPORTS, Page 2.

Nine Pound Hammer (previously Black Sheep) offers Lexington original music as fun as it is loud. See PAST-TIMES, Page 3.

### WEATHER

Partly sunny today with a high around 40. Clear tonight with lows in the lower 20s. Mostly sunny and warmer tomorrow with highs 45 to 50.

# SPORTS

## Underdog Wildcats hope to turn page, turn back Hoosiers

By TODD JONES  
Senior Staff Writer

No. Don King will not be in Bloomington tomorrow. And no, Bobby Knight and Eddie Sutton won't duke it out at Assembly Hall.

"Bobby and I are good friends, and have been for many years," Sutton said.

The two coaches may be buddies, but Knight would be hard-pressed to find too many other friendly folks in the commonwealth. This is especially true after Knight made his feelings about the UK basketball program very clear.

In the book *Season on the Brink*, the Indiana coach pulled no punches and bombed the Big Blue with several verbal jabs. To Knight, UK represents everything that is wrong with college athletics. And such an accusation has made the Wildcat faithful very angry.

But if Knight's attack on UK has angered Sutton, he's not telling.

"No, I don't care to read it," Sutton said of the book. "Somebody told me something about it, but I don't think Bobby is throwing things at us, maybe some things at the past. But I'm not going to read it because I like Bobby Knight."

So, the opposing coaches will not do battle in a boxing ring. Instead, each will see whose team can put more basketballs through an iron hoop. And for the Wildcats, who have struggled to a 2-0 start, this will be a severe test.

"It's a challenge for us to be going to Bloomington, a tough place to play, against one of the top teams in the country," UK junior guard Ed Davender said. "And it's something that we can also learn from down the road."

Sutton sent assistant coach Doug Barnes up the road to Notre Dame Tuesday to check out the Hoosiers.

### ABOUT THE GAME

**Opponent:** Indiana, 2-0  
**Time:** 2:05 p.m.  
**Place:** Assembly Hall, Bloomington, Ind.  
**Ticket Status:** Sold out.  
**Radio Coverage:** Live on WVUK-AM 590 with Cowwood Ledford and Ralph Hacker.  
**TV Coverage:** Live on WKYT-TV Channel 27 with play-by-play by Milo Hamilton and color by Rob Bromley and Bob Domine.

Indiana slipped by the Fighting Irish 67-62 to raise its record to 2-0. And Scout Barnes had some bad news for Chief Sutton.

"I was talking to people from Indiana, and they felt like this team had the potential to be one of Coach Knight's best teams ever," Barnes said. "They have a great combination of great athletes and experience. That's what makes them a great ballclub."

If you're going to talk about great athletes on the Hoosier team, you have to start with one name — Steve Alford.

The 6-foot-2 senior guard is a first-team All-American and one of the best shooters in the country. He's started this season by burning the nets for 25 points a game, and Sutton said the Cats can't afford to let Alford out of their sight.

"We're going to know where Steve Alford is if we play zone," Sutton said. "With that new three-point shot, he's going to hit somebody for 50, and I just hope it isn't Saturday afternoon."



DAVID COYLE/Kernal Contributor

Eddie Sutton and Bobby Knight shake hands after UK's 63-58 win at Rupp Arena last year. The two will square off at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Indiana's Assembly Hall.

The burden of controlling Alford will fall most heavily on the shoulders of Davender. But the Cats' top scorer said it will take much more than one man to stop Indiana's top scorer.

"I'll probably start off on him, but I probably won't guard him the whole game or else I'll wear myself out," he said. "He moves so well without the ball."

Chasing Alford all over the hardwood won't be the Cats' only worry tomorrow. Indiana is much more than a one-man show. Joining the cast of Hoosier characters is junior college transfer Keith Smart.

Barnes said Smart is quick and excellent at penetrating. But like Alford, he can also put the ball in the

basket. He's second on the team with a 16-point average. And Barnes said it would not be smart to ignore Smart.

"Last year, most teams were able to concentrate on Alford," he said. "But this year with Smart, they won't be able to do that as much. He gives their total offense a new dimension. You have to stop both of them."

If Sutton sees any good news about the Hoosiers' starting lineup, it would have to be that it doesn't include Ricky Calloway. The sophomore guard injured his knee in the Hoosiers' 90-55 thumping of Montana State and will be out for two to six weeks.

## Lady Kats squeak by Hoosiers

Staff reports

Junior forward Bebe Croley hit both ends of a one-and-one with 16 seconds remaining, and senior guard Sandy Harding hit a free throw with five seconds to boost the Lady Kats to a 63-61 overtime victory over Indiana Wednesday night in Bloomington.

The Lady Kats, 3-0 after the upset, travel to Miami to take on the Lady Hurricanes tomorrow. IU slipped to 2-1 on the season.

The Lady Kats controlled the game early, leading 22-10 with 5:35 left in the first half, but IU's Karna Abram hit two baseline jumpers in the final 42 seconds to pull IU within 28-22 at the half.

Croley missed a 12-foot jumper with four seconds left in regulation, and Abram was fouled on the rebound. Abram, who led all scorers with 22 points, went to the line with one second left and missed the front end of the bonus, sending the game into overtime.

## Hurricanes' quarterback leads AP team

The nation's top runner and No. 1 passer — Temple tailback Paul Palmer and Miami of Florida quarterback Vinny Testaverde — were named yesterday to the Associated Press All-America football team for 1986.

Miami and Oklahoma each put three players on the elite squad, while Auburn and Ohio State had two each.

Testaverde was joined by teammates Jerome Brown, a defensive tackle, and free safety Bennie Blades, who led the nation with 10 interceptions.

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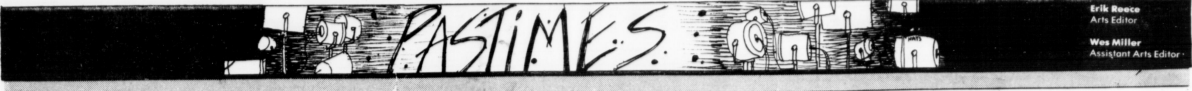
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**The Bar** — 224 E. Main St. Tonight and tomorrow, Top 40 disco music on a sound system, 4 p.m. to 1 a.m., tomorrow after hours from 1:30 a.m. to 3:45 a.m. Female impersonation shows tonight and tomorrow at 11:30. \$3 cover.  
**The Bearded Seals** — 500 Euclid Ave. Tonight and tomorrow, Mystery Train (blues) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 cover.  
**Bottom Line** — 361 W. Short St. Tonight and tomorrow, Government Cheese (rock) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$3 a person, \$5 a couple both nights.  
**Brass A Saloon** — 2909 Richmond Road. Tonight and tomorrow, Flip City (Top 40 dance music) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 cover both nights.  
**Brooding** — 509 W. Main St. Tonight and tomorrow, The Bunch (rock) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$3.50 cover.  
**Bugatti's** — 815 Euclid Ave. Tonight and tomorrow, Tyrone Smith and Teletar (Motown) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$5 cover.  
**Cheapside** — 121 Cheapside Drive. Tonight, Jazz Menagerie (jazz) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tomorrow, David Wunsch (acoustic '60s and '70s) 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. No cover.  
**Crystals** — In the Hyatt. DJ Danny Merrymann spins Top 40 dance music on a gigantic sound system, in addition to your favorite videos on large-screen TV. Red-light drink specials tonight and tomorrow. No cover.  
**803 Aglin at Rick's Place** — The 803 jukebox plays your favorite tunes. No cover.  
**Great Scott's Depot** — 684 S. Broadway. Tonight, The What For and Marbles (rock) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tomorrow, Head Hunter (rhythm & blues) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 cover both nights.  
**King's Arm Pub** — (Formerly Jefferson Davis Inn) 102 W. High St. Tonight and tomorrow, Jeff Colvin ('60s & '70s acoustic, requests) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 cover.  
**L.A. Oliver's** — Holiday Inn at 175 and Newtown Pike. DJ spins Top 40 dance tunes on a sound system from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. No cover.  
**Library** — 388 Woodland Ave. Tonight and tomorrow, Nervous Melvin and the Mistakes, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$4 cover both nights. Free pizza from 8 to 9 p.m. and \$1.50 will drink from 8 to 10 p.m., 95 cent draft beer all night.  
**Main Street Bar and Grill** — Downtown on Main. Tonight and tomorrow, The Columbus Jets (blues) will play from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. No cover.  
**Spirits** — Radisson Hotel Plaza. Tonight and tomorrow, Johnny White and the Elite Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. No cover.  
**Two Keys** — 333 S. Limestone St. Tonight and tomorrow, Jumpstart (blues) will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. \$2 cover for men, no cover for women.  
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**An American Tail** — A festive, animated Steven Spielberg movie about Christmas. Rated G. (North Park: 12:40, 2:20, 4:50, 7:25, 9:05, tonight and tomorrow at 10:45. Also at South Park: 12:45, 2:25, 4:15, 5:50, 7:30, 9:05, tonight and tomorrow only at 11:55.)  
**Children of a Lesser God** — A love story about a teacher and his mute student, starring William Hurt. Rated R. (Lexington Mall: 12:45, 3:15, 7:35, 9:50, tonight and tomorrow only at 11:55.)  
**The Color of Money** — Tom Cruise and Paul Newman star in this Martin Scorsese sequel to "The Hustler." Rated R. (North Park: 1:31, 5:25, 7:45, 10: tonight and tomorrow at midnight. Also at South Park: 1:05, 3:20, 5:50, 7:50, 10: tonight and tomorrow at midnight.)  
**Crocodile Dundee** — Paul Hogan stars in and wrote this comedy/adventure/love story about a naive Australian's experiences in both the concrete jungle of New York and the outback of Australia. Rated PG-13. (South Park: 1:15, 3:10, 5:25, 7:40, 9:40 tonight and tomorrow at 11:30. Also at North Park: 1:20, 3:20, 5:20, 7:40, 9:30, tonight and tomorrow at 11:20.)  
**Firewalker** — Rated PG-13. (Fayette Mall: 2:40, 7:30. Also at North Park: 12:50, 3:50, 5:50, 7:20, 9:35, tonight and tomorrow at 11:40.)  
**Jacks** — Rated R. (North Park: 1:10, 3:05, 5:25, 7:40, 9:35. Also tonight and tomorrow at 11:35. Also at Fayette Mall: 1:45, 3:45, 5:45, 7:45, 9:45.)  
**Heartbreak Ridge** — Rated R. (North Park: 2:40, 7:35, 10: tonight and tomorrow only at midnight. Also at South Park: 2:40, 7:35, 10: tonight and tomorrow only at midnight.)  
**Nutsacker** — Rated G. (Lexington Mall: 1.)  
**Peggy Sue Got Married** — Kathleen Turner and Nicholas Cage star in this movie about a woman who travels back in time to see if she'd make the same decisions twice. Rated PG-13. (South Park: 1:30, 3:35, 5:35, 7:35, 9:35 and tonight and tomorrow only at 11:35.)  
**Something Wild** — Jeff Daniels and Melanie Griffith star in this comedy/love story. Rated R. (South Park: 1:31, 5:20, 7:40, 9:50, tonight and tomorrow only at 11:55.)  
**Song of the South** — A Disney classic. Who could forget Uncle Remus and Brer Rabbit? Rated G. (North Park: 1:30, 3:15, 5:15, 7:10 and tonight and tomorrow at 11. Also at Crossroads: 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 8:55 and tonight and tomorrow at 10:45. Also at Turfland: 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30.)  
**Soul Man** — A comedy about a young man who overdoses on tanning pills in order to take advantage of a minority scholarship at Harvard. Stars Ben Dover, Chong and C. Thomas Howell. Rated PG-13. (Fayette Mall: 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30. Also at North Park: 1:25, 3:35, 5:40, 7:50, 9:50, tonight and tomorrow only at 11:45.)  
**Stand By Me** — A heartwarming story about four boys' growth through the enjoyment of life and the realization of death. Rated R. (North Park: 1:40, 3:35, 5:30, 7:45, 9:40, tonight and tomorrow at 11:30.)  
**Ster Trek IV** — The crew of Star Trek venture back in time to the year 1986 to bring two humpbacked whales back to the 23rd century to save the Earth. Rated PG. (North Park: 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:35, 9:55, tonight and tomorrow only at midnight. Also at Turfand Mall: 1:31, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10. Also at Crossroads: 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:35, 9:55, tonight and tomorrow only at midnight.)  
**Top Gun** — As American as apple pie, Ron Reagan, missiles and the military. A movie about fighter pilots, starring Tom Cruise and Kelly McGillis. Rated PG. (Lexington Mall: 2:45, 4:50, 7:45, 9:55.)

**At the Kentucky Theater this weekend: Today** — "1918" 1:30, "Tea in the Harem," 7:30, "The Makloko Sisters," 9:30. "The Fly," midnight. **Tomorrow** — "The Fly," 1; "Tea in the Harem," 3; "The Makloko Sisters," 5; "1918," 7:30; "Something Wild," 9:30. **Sunday** — "Something Wild," 1; "The Makloko Sisters," 3; "The Fly," 5:30; "1918," 7:30; "Tea in the Harem," 9:45.

**Movies on Main** — Next to the Kentucky Theater, all seats \$1 all times. "Rocky Horror Picture Show," every Friday and Saturday night at midnight. "Jumping Jack Flash" — Whoopi Goldberg stars in this comedy about a telephone operator whose life is in turmoil over a guy named Jack. **Today** — 1:30, 7:40, 9:40. **Tomorrow** — 1:40, 3:40, 5:40, 7:40, 9:40. **Sunday** — 1:40, 3:40, 5:40, 7:40, 9:40.

**At the Worsheam Theater tonight and tomorrow** — "To Catch a Thief," 8 p.m. and "Body Double" 10:50 p.m.

Compiled by Staff Writer Thomas J. Sullivan

Steel wool

Nine Pound Hammer is no longer the Black Sheep of Lexington's music scene



By ROB OLSON  
Contributing Writer

Rock 'n' roll man. By Nine Pound Hammer (previously Black Sheep) singer Scott Laullen's definition, rock 'n' roll is "summertime, chasing girls, dancing and spilling beer."  
Nine Pound Hammer is all that and the cheese. Take big chunks of distorted Chuck Berry guitar riffs, add generous portions of frenzied drumming and throw in an amphetamine-charged Johnny Cash voice singing about hot rods, drive-ins and Saturday night, and you have Nine Pound Hammer at its heaviest.  
The band began as Black Sheep in Owensboro with Laullen and Blaine Cartwright, two friends who had wanted to start a band since junior high. They found some inspiration in bands like the Replacements and Jason and the Scorchers — groups who were bringing good old rock 'n' roll back into music. Cartwright could play guitar and Laullen could sing.

The two recruited Toby Myrick, another friend from high school, to play drums but they didn't have a steady bassist until they met Bart Altman, who was playing with an Evansville, Ind., hard-core band called D.O.D.

Soon Hammer outgrew their parents' basements and were ready to exercise their right to rock. Due to the lack of venues in Owensboro, the band decided to move to Lexington where they would have a chance to play.

When Hammer got to Lexington, it was mainly a cover band, playing a diverse repertoire that included songs by KISS, Chuck Berry, Eddie Cochran, the Ramones and the Starland Vocal Band, you guessed it — "Afternoon Delight."  
Altman cites some of the Hammer's favorite bands as "Aerosmith, Johnny Thunders,

Motorhead, Jason and the Scorchers and the Ramones."

Following the example of those bands, Hammer's sets were loud, sloppy and fun. But bands can't survive on fun covers alone. Through the summer, the band worked up about 15 originals.

Drummer Myrick left the group in early fall of this year because of differences of opinion and started his own band, Open Season.

It didn't take Hammer long to find a new drummer, Darren X. from Mt. Sterling, Ky. Within a week, the new lineup had its debut at a local party.

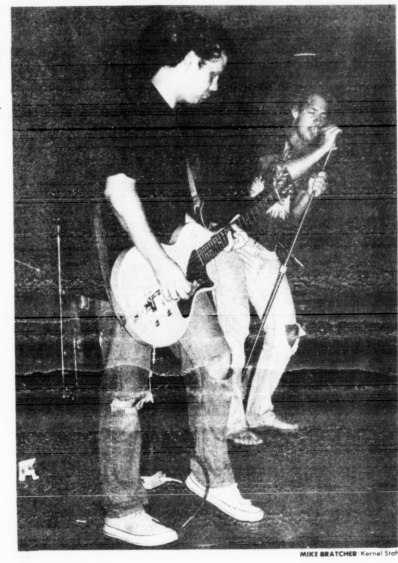
Hammer played numerous local shows and opened for when the 're cool mixing. Elvis Presley also did a song called "Nine Pound Hammer," so we liked that, Altman said.

"A nine-pound hammer is what they use to drive spikes into the coal when they're coal mining. Elvis Presley also did a song called 'Nine Pound Hammer,' so we liked that," Altman said.

Hammer's songs, written mostly by Cartwright and Laullen, span the range between youthful party anthems and social conscious political songs.

The former includes "Crowdaddy," a paean to Laullen's big, brown American convertible; "He's Gone," a story about a guy who leaves his girlfriend to make it in a "traveling band," and then comes home only to find that she's left him; and the notorious "Redneck Romance," which covers the lives of Billy Bob and Thelma Jean from courtship to marriage.

On the political end of the spectrum, Hammer has "Protestant Jihad," which



Nine Pound Hammer singer Scott Laullen and guitarist Blaine Cartwright perform at Cincinnati's Bogart's in September.

Laullen often calls "our obligatory political thrash song." Although musically the song is less than innovative, lyrically it holds its own.

"Jesus rode an ass to preach to the masses (you and your gospel) Lear jet are gonna get you to hell the fastest," etc.

Another more socially conscious number is "I Don't Think So." Sample lyric: "Maybe I'll register GOP/Build a house on a hill for all to see / Put a flag up in my windmill and wave to the poor from my Coupe DeVille."

Nine Pound Hammer also delves into the occasional metal song, such as "I Need a Little Help," and their Ramones-tinged spurned love song, "She's So Cool" — a genuine house-rocker.

And when they play "Rock and Roll All Night," you better go up and sing along.

Information for this story was also gathered by Staff Writer Kaku Urch.

Mozart on Fifth canceled because of low sales

By THOMAS J. SULLIVAN  
Staff Writer

If there were going to be concert T-shirts for the Mozart on Fifth concert this weekend, they certainly wouldn't read "Sold Out." They'd read "About Eight Sold."

For this reason, the concert has been canceled.  
Mozart on Fifth, which was scheduled to perform a concert today sponsored by the Student Activities Board's performing arts committee, is a trio that plays everything from rock to ragtime, Bagtime, swing, classical, ethnic, traditional, Dixieland and even the Beatles are a part of their show.

Fifth's popularity can be seen throughout the nation. New York Mayor Ed Koch described them as the "best band in New York."

But their fame apparently has yet to reach Lexington.

The concert sold "about eight tick-

ets," said SAB President Lynne Hunt.

Hunt blames the concert's poor draw on its competition. "I guess that right now, with Christmas, finals and Dr. Ruth, who will also be on campus tomorrow night, people just don't have the money to go," she said.

"It was an embarrassment," Buddy "Cruise Control" Goldfarb, Fifth's founder, said in a telephone interview yesterday. "No one was going to go."  
This wouldn't have been the group's first performance in the Bluegrass. "We performed in Morehead," Goldfarb said. "They loved us there."

This is no surprise to professor Vince DiMartino of the music department.

Most student concerts at Morehead State University, and many other colleges, are free to students, as they should be, DiMartino said.

"UK students give money to the University for concerts and lectures and then have to pay to see something they've already paid for. If I was a student, I'd sue the University."

"You don't charge money for something that you're getting for nothing," he said.

DiMartino thinks SAB has strayed from its responsibility of student education through music and lecture. SAB "takes the money and spends it as if they were a booking agency," he said.

"The first goal of SAB should be to have a guest that is involved in the educational process. Acting as a booking agency and having these rap sessions backstage for 10 or 15 minutes is a misuse of state funds."

DiMartino, who holds a master's degree in jazz and contemporary media from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., has traveled around the world performing in

many cities and numerous Ivy League colleges.

"I've played with most of the people they (SAB) want to get," he said. "I could call them up and say they, we'll pay your air fare and \$1,000, a low fee for such big names, if you come play for us, and there'd be no problem."

But DiMartino said SAB refuses to let him help them.

"I've gone and seen John (Herbst, SAB director) every year and I refuse to go see him any more."

DiMartino can't understand why a big name speaker such as Dr. Ruth should be free to students, but a concert is not.  
"Is there any reason why the University thinks Dr. Ruth is more important than a great music performer? It doesn't make sense that such an expensive speaker should have free student admission when a concert like Mozart on Fifth charges students," he said.

# VIEWPOINT

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## LETTERS

### Court life reality

I am writing in response to Jay Blanton's column, "Court offers a disillusioning experience" on Dec. 3. I can understand his disappointment at the lackluster event of an actual courtroom proceeding. Yet as I read his column, I couldn't help but wonder if there was something more important bothering him. The something else being the actual case he, by chance, stumbled upon that day — the case of a young girl who was raped by her father.

His major complaint was that there wasn't enough drama in the courtroom. In actuality, Jay, there was a lot of drama going on in that little girl's mind. I do not know the particulars in this case, but it is generally true that for a case such as this to come to court, there has probably been repeated sexual abuse inflicted upon the child throughout his or her life. She probably hasn't experienced just one isolated rape.

He said he wanted it to be more like TV. Maybe it was too scary for him to handle the fact that a father had actually had sexual intercourse with his daughter in "real life." I am sorry to be the one to disillusion him again, but family sexual abuse is a common occurrence right here in Lexington, Ky. Recent statistics from the Rape Crisis Center in Lexington show that one out of every four females and one out of every seven males have been sexually abused. To me, that's real.

He also wanted the girl's mother to hug her and tell her everything would be "all right." But he must understand that everything isn't "all right." That little girl will be affected every day for the rest of her life because of what her father chose for her. Also, in many cases, the mother knows that sexual abuse is occurring, but she fears retaliation

from her husband if she exposes him. Thus, the child has no adult to whom he or she can turn who is not a part of the problem.

He admitted that he wanted to be somewhere, anywhere else. Luckily for him, he got to walk out of that courtroom. Yet there are many children in Lexington who can't walk out of their own homes. Sexual abuse is something that they must wake up to and go to sleep with every day of their lives.

He resents the revelation of a dull day in court. Yet I must ask, is that all that was bothering you, Jay, and shouldn't you care a bit more about the verdict?

Jodie Royal,  
Social work senior

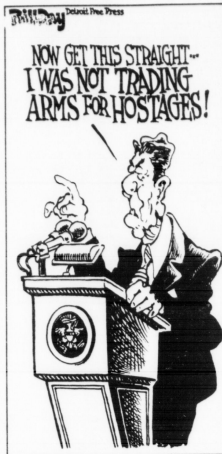
### Let fans boo

This letter is addressed to Scott Bethel, whose "Boos unwarranted" letter in the Kernel yesterday left me thinking about what people like him are even doing in the stands at Rupp Arena.

You said you've attended close to 100 Wildcat basketball games and you've never seen the fans boo a ballplayer — until last Tuesday night's game when Rob Lock showed the Big Blue fans his "overpowering" abilities underneath the basket.

We all know that Kentucky is expected to be among the best basketball teams in the nation. Right? Well, if this is true, then why not throw a little bit of criticism at our players every once in a while? It's criticism that helps people understand their mistakes and puts them back on the right track.

I would agree that Rob Lock has come a long way since last year, but he still seems to be wandering way off the track (or should I say court) so why not let him know it?



Unfortunately, I did not attend last Tuesday's game, but I'll guarantee you that if I WAS there, I would have been leading the "booning section."

Oh, by the way, you said booing the Cats "is communism in this part of the country." You then told the so-called communists to pack their things and head about 80 miles west (I assume you meant Louisville).

Although I am very much a Big Blue fan at heart, I am also a communist, or what I call a Big Red fan.

However, I once had the pleasure of booing Billy Thompson in Freedom Hall at the beginning of last season. If you recall, Billy T. pulled a Rob Lock on the Cardinal fans, too. But look what happened later in the season. I believe Mr. T. led the Cards to a national championship. Right? Perhaps he felt like he owed something to his fans.

Do you think, Mr. Bethel, that Rob Lock can realize the same thing? I think, underneath all that booing, that Rob has the potential to lead

the Cats to another winning season. Let's hope so.

Paul T. Miles,  
Journalism sophomore

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**Scientists brave fever, beasts to examine uninhabited island**

By BEN DOBBIN  
Associated Press

LONDON — British and Brazilian scientists will brave jaguars, wild boars, snakes, wasps and fever on an uninhabited Amazonian island in a yearlong study of the steamy habitat, expedition members announced yesterday.

Dense rain forest shrouds the study site, 37 1/2-mile Maraca Island on the Uruaricora River, an Amazon tributary in Brazil's northernmost Roraima territory.

The Royal Geographical Society said more than 50 scientists — half of them British, about 20 Brazilians and a few from other nations — will catalog and collect flora and fauna and study soils, diseases and forest regeneration throughout 1987.

Maraca Island was declared a nature reserve several years ago, and a research station was built on the east end of the island, from where scientists venture into the jungle depths.

"You've got to be adaptable," botanist Jim Ratter, an expedition member, said in an interview.

"The right sort of mental flexibility is essential for this sort of thing," Ratter said.

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**Jim Ratter, expedition member**

ity is essential for this sort of thing. It's not necessarily the Superman who's going to be the greatest success at it. You've got to get used to things going wrong . . . and sort them out patiently."

Big cats, tapirs and savage boars roam the island. Poisonous insects and snakes abound. And one can simply get lost in the forest.

"One of the greatest hazards are the bees and wasps. Working in the trees, you very often disturb their colonies," said Ratter, who has spent the last 20 years working in the Amazon basin.

The island "will never be open to tourism," said John Hemming, director of the Royal Geographical Society and the leader of the \$170,000 project.

Of the estimated 8 million to 10 million plant and animal species in the world, about 40 percent are found in rain forests, and Brazil has almost 60 percent of the world's rain forests, Hemming said.

"We share the planet with millions of other creatures and a great many are in the forests, so there's almost a moral need to preserve the great genetic diversity," Hemming said.

"But more selfishly, we simply don't know from the vast majority of rain forest species what potential benefit there is in them to humanity. Probably the largest untapped resource is in pharmaceuticals," he said.

Hemming said it was probably the largest and best-qualified scientific team ever to work in the Amazon basin.

One research group will study the cycle of jungle regrowth by clearing small plots of forest. Scientists hope to discover better methods of regenerating hundreds of thousands of acres of rain forest felled each year by farmers, cattle ranchers, timber and mining companies.

**Failure to deice wings resulted in Gander crash, sources say**

By H. JOSEF HEBERT  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — After a year-long probe, investigators believe the crash of a military charter that killed 248 U.S. soldiers most likely was caused by the crew's failure to deice the jetliner before it left Gander, Newfoundland, according to Canadian and U.S. aviation sources.

The Canadian Aviation Safety Board findings are not expected to be released until late spring or early summer of next year, although the writing of a draft report on the accident has begun.

Sources familiar with the investigation said, however, the investigation clearly points to ice contamination on the wings of the chartered Arrow Air DC-8 as likely being the primary cause of the crash last Dec. 10 as the plane took off from the Gander airport.

Other factors, including excessive weight and perhaps reduced power in one of the plane's four engines, may have contributed, but in themselves would not have caused the jetliner to stall and crash as it did, said the sources, speaking on the condition that they not be identified.

The jet was carrying 248 U.S. soldiers, all members of a Middle East peacekeeping unit, home for the Christmas holidays when it crashed. Everyone aboard was killed.

The accident prompted a Pentagon review of its military charter program after questions emerged about Arrow Air's safety record and investigators found the DC-8 aircraft

involved in the Gander accident was in shabby condition. Arrow Air, which is headquartered in Miami, Fla., no longer has any Pentagon contracts and no longer operates passenger service.

Bernard D. Deschenes, chairman of the Canadian safety board, said in an interview this week that wing icing is among the possibilities that continues to be examined, but he suggested it would be "premature" to conclude that it caused the accident.

Canadian investigators all along have considered wing icing as a possible culprit in the accident. A freezing drizzle fell during most of the Arrow Air flight's stopover and the plane is believed likely to have accumulated some leading edge ice on the wings during the landing.

The investigators continued, however, to examine other possibilities until late September and early October when a series of computerized flight tests were conducted in Copenhagen, Denmark, simulating the conditions at Gander on Oct. 10, according to sources knowledgeable about the tests.

Those tests singled out wing icing as the most likely cause of the crash, the sources said.

In a series of simulation flights with factors such as excessive weight and reduced engine power present, but no ice present, the aircraft continued to fly. But in a series of tests in which ice was simulated on the wing the aircraft stalled shortly after liftoff even when in one case — all four engines were

pushed to maximum power, said one source familiar with the tests.

The sources said that even when power was reduced in one engine and excessive weight — an extra 12,000 pounds — was introduced, the aircraft continued to fly.

According to these sources, other findings also have supported the icing theory and led investigators to discount other factors. For example:

- The DC-8 such as the one that crashed has been found to be more susceptible to small amounts of wing ice because of its configuration along the front, or leading, edge of the wing.
- The flight data recorder of the Arrow Air jet showed that while the pilot underestimated the aircraft's weight in his pre-takeoff calculations by as much as 12,000 pounds, the actual lift-off or rotation speed was 153 knots, about the speed necessary for the actual weight of the plane. One source speculated the pilot probably "had a gut feeling" the calculations were wrong.
- While there might have been a reduced power in the right outboard engine, that should not have been enough to stall the plane with three properly operating engines.
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**14 sentenced to death for shooting Grenada's Prime Minister Bishop**

By ALISTER HUGHES  
Associated Press

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada — Fourteen people were convicted yesterday and sentenced to hang for the slaying of Prime Minister Maurice Bishop in a coup that prompted the United States to invade this Caribbean island in 1983.

Three of the 18 defendants were convicted of manslaughter, with prison sentences of up to 45 years, and one was acquitted by a jury of seven men and five women that deliberated only three hours. All the defendants had pleaded innocent.

They were accused of killing Bishop, three Cabinet members and seven other people Oct. 19, 1983, during the coup. Witnesses said Bishop

was among eight victims lined against a wall and cut down with machine gun fire.

Six days later, 6,000 U.S. Marines and paratroopers landed on Grenada. The Reagan administration said the invasion's purpose was to restore order, protect Americans — including several hundred medical students — and prevent a further buildup of Cuban military advisers and weapons on the island.

The United States, already alarmed by Bishop's Marxist leanings and warm ties with Cuba and the Soviet Union, also wanted to stop a more extreme move to the left by the radical military faction that overthrew Bishop and his New Jewel Movement.

Three of those sentenced to hang

are Deputy Prime Minister Bernard Coard, considered the mastermind of the plot, his wife, Phyllis, and Gen. Hudson Austin, the armed forces commander and coup leader.

During the seven-month trial, prosecutor Karl Hudson-Phillips told the court a proposal to allow Coard to share power with Bishop prompted the murders.

The leadership of the New Jewel Movement, founded by Bishop before he took power in a 1979 coup, split over the proposal, Hudson-Phillips said. The army finally was sent to kill Bishop, his Education Minister Jacqueline Creff, Housing Minister Norris Bain, Foreign Minister Unison Whiteman and seven other people, the prosecutor said.

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# 2nd CIA official appears before Senate panel

By DAVID ESPO  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate investigators quizzed the CIA's No. 2 man for four hours and subpoenaed documents around the country yesterday in an expanding probe into the secret sale of arms to Iran and transfer of profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

President Reagan said Cabinet officers are free to decide whether to invoke the Fifth Amendment when their turn comes to testify.

A long-distance disagreement surfaced within the administration over the roots of the president's controversial Iranian arms policy. White House spokesman Larry Speakes said "we don't agree with" Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger's contention that Reagan acted on bad advice when he decided there were responsible officials to deal with in Iran other than the "lunatics" who ran the country.

Reagan, embroiled in the most serious crisis of his presidency, has defended his decision to sell arms to Iran as part of a secret diplomatic initiative to re-establish ties with the strategically placed Persian Gulf nation. But he says he was unaware

that money in connection with the sales was being funneled through a Swiss bank account to contra rebels battling the Nicaraguan government.

The money was made available at a time when direct and indirect government military assistance to the Contras was prohibited by law, and there was evidence that the Justice Department was looking into the operations of a privately financed support program for contra rebels in Nicaragua.

The president announced Tuesday that his administration would seek appointment of an independent court to probe the issue, although the White House disclosed that Attorney General Edwin Meese III is still at work on formal appointment.

In Congress, House Democratic Leader Jim Wright of Texas and GOP Leader Bob Michel of Illinois announced they would oversee creation of a special, 15-member "blue ribbon panel" to coordinate the investigation. Wright said that would avoid a "circus-like" atmosphere that might arise from multiple probes.

Senate leaders agreed on a "subcommittee" of their own to in-

clude 13 members, although a spokesman for GOP Leader Bob Dole said his boss and Democratic Leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia had not yet concluded arrangements. Dole issued a statement saying the president will decide today whether to call for a special session of Congress to expedite creation of the committee.

In the meantime, the Senate Intelligence Committee held the investigation spotlight.

With extraordinary security provisions in effect, the panel heard first from unnamed U.S. officials involved in covert operations, then questioned CIA Deputy Director Robert Gates for more than four hours.

Sen. David Durenberger, R-Minn., chairman of the committee, said the witnesses were providing a "very candid response to the questions and a lot of helpful information." The information, Durenberger said, is "opening more doors that we have to send a subpoena through in order to (compile) accurate information."

"We have people flying around the country this morning serving subpoenas for documents. So the docu-

ment search has become also a very, very important part of this," he said.

The Minnesota Republican did not say what documents the committee was seeking. But in Moultrie, Ga., Maule Aircraft Corp. said it had received subpoenas for records on four aircraft from the U.S. attorney's office in Macon as well from the Senate Intelligence Committee. The four airplanes include one reportedly sold to rebels in Nicaragua by a firm headed by retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Richard V. Secord.

Secord has been identified by administration officials as an assistant to fired National Security Council aide Oliver North in arranging the Iranian arms sales and creation of a privately funded air force to deliver weapons to the contra forces.

Billy Fallin, an attorney for the firm, said the subpoenaed payment instructions and records of telephone calls between Maule and the buyers have been turned over to authorities as requested. "I'm not concerned about any wrongdoing on our part," he said.

Durenberger said the committee will extend its hearing schedule beyond next week, and will soon de-

termine which Cabinet officials to call to testify. He said those under consideration include the members of the National Security Council — CIA Director William Casey, Secretary of State George P. Shultz and Weinberger — but not the president or Vice President George Bush.

A single television camera shared by all networks was permitted outside the committee's room, and by agreement with Senate officials, it was turned off when the unidentified officials involved in clandestine operations entered the room. Photographers similarly agreed not to take pictures.

A television recording and photographs were permitted when Gates arrived to meet the panel. At the White House, Frank Carlucci, the president's newly appointed national security adviser, said he will have direct access to the Oval Office and has free rein to shake up the staff and operation of the White House National Security Council.

He said he has put a 10-member team to work sizing up the NSC to determine "what kind of changes will be appropriate" in the wake of the Iranian-contra operation that was coordinated by an NSC aide.

Meanwhile, Democratic presidential aspirant Gary Hart cautioned fellow party members against seeking partisan gain. "If people in my party attack the president for partisan advantage I say shame on us," Hart said in Des Moines, Iowa. "It's bad politics and it's bad policy. I think we ought to play it straight down the middle."

Retiring House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill Jr., D-Mass., predicted that "everybody will be smoked out" in the investigations that will come, even if they use the Fifth Amendment to avoid answering questions. But O'Neill, who has been a point-man for Democratic opposition to Reagan for the past six years, added that the issue does not appear to be a Watergate-type scandal that will force the president to resign.

Speaking to reporters during a photo session with Costa Rican President Oscar Arias, Reagan said he has not "given any thought" to claiming executive privilege to prevent Cabinet secretaries from testifying.

## Discrepancies abound in arms shipment deal

By W. DALE NELSON  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Contradictions about who controlled a Swiss bank account used to handle undercover aid to Nicaraguan and Afghan rebels added to the confusion Wednesday surrounding the arms-shipment controversy.

President Reagan, who has made some seemingly contradictory statements of his own about the matter, told a group of women entrepreneurs, "Much in this case is hard to understand, though all Americans are entitled to have their questions answered."

Meanwhile, a U.S. government source, speaking on condition he not be identified, said millions of dollars diverted from Iranian arms sales to the Nicaraguan guerrillas went through a Swiss bank account controlled by the CIA and also used to handle covert assistance to Afghan rebels.

This conflicted with the account given by Attorney General Edwin Meese III, who said on Nov. 23 that the money skimmed from the arms sale proceeds to Iran was "deposited in bank accounts which were

under the control of representatives of the forces in Central America."

In an interview with Time Magazine, the source said Wednesday and published Sunday, Reagan said, "Another country was facilitating those sales of weapons systems. They then were overcharging and were apparently putting the money into bank accounts of the leaders of the contras. It wasn't us funneling money to them. This was another country."

In Tel Aviv, Israeli newspapers and radio reported that Foreign Minister Shimon Peres sharply disputed this account at a closed meeting of his Labor Party on Monday night.

Peres was quoted as saying, "Israel has no connection with the contras in Nicaragua. That is a complete falsehood." At his Nov. 19 news conference, Reagan said in his prepared opening statement, "Eighteen months ago this administration began a secret initiative to the Islamic Republic of Iran."

In an interview with Time magazine, however, the president was quoted as saying, "The Iranians talk about a better relationship."

"The Iranians came to us at first. They wanted to talk about a better relationship."

President Reagan

In a statement on Nov. 20, Robert McFarlane, who was the president's national security adviser until last December, appeared to support the president's first version, that the administration, not the Iranians, initiated the contacts.

Speaking of administration efforts to reach so-called moderates in Iran, McFarlane said, "When, in 1983, such elements were identified and validated, I believed it was worthwhile to make contact with them and seek a political dialogue." Varying statements also have been made by Reagan and his aides about Marine Lt. Col. Oliver W. North, a deputy director on the National Security Council staff, who has been fired.

Meese said that North had "precise knowledge" of the funneling of funds to Nicaragua, Reagan, referring to a report he had received from the attorney general, said, "This report led me to conclude that I was not fully informed on the nature of one of the activities undertaken" in connection with the overtures to Iran.

## Listeners nickname Iranian scandal

By ROBERT FURLOW  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — How about "Iranamuk"? Or "Contra-deceptive"?

How can there be a real scandal without a catchy name?

While Washington goes about the serious business of sorting out who did what and who knew what in the complicated matter of U.S. arms sales to Iran, through Israel, with some of the payments diverted to contra rebels in Nicaragua by way of a numbered Swiss bank account controlled by the CIA, a lot of less serious folks are struggling to come up with a name for the whole thing.

It hasn't been easy. But people who live in the nation's capital, and have seen scandals in other years, are trying desperately to upgrade the Iranian arms affair.

"Iranamuk" was the winner in yesterday's voting by several hundred listeners to radio station WCLY in Greenbelt, Md., just outside the city.

"Contra-scum," "Contragate," "Armsgate" and other such derivatives were suggested by many callers to the station, suggesting imaginations are still controlled by the Watergate scandal that forced Richard M. Nixon out of the White House and the Abscam scandal that sent a

senator and several congressmen to jail.

Other nominees phoned in to the station, including "Iranamuk" and "Contra-deceptive," were a bit more original. Listeners, many of them presumably government workers, also came up with:

"Contrafuge" for those who have trouble believing what officials are saying.

"Payatollah" or "Ayatollah-so" to get the Iranian leader's name in.

"Reagan-armies" or "Gipper's Gap" or even "Bonzo's Boo-Boo" for those who blame the president.

"Scantira-claus," suggested WCLY

disc jockey Scott Woodside, combining "scam" and the contras and a hint of the Christmas season.

Time Magazine also volunteered some possibilities this week, including "Ollie's Follies" and "Cuckoo Iran and Ollie" to focus on the involvement of Lt. Col. Oliver North, the fired White House national security aide.

Hard to see those appearing routinely in headlines, either. Perhaps that's a good sign for those involved if it means the whole matter can never be boiled down to an easy-to-grasp tag line.

## Spokesman

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Asked about his leaving in the midst of the current furor, Speakes said he considered that but decided staying on for two months "would be quite a fair time to let the president choose my successor" and "enough time to serve the president in the current situation."

Speakes has been President Reagan's principal spokesman

since press secretary James S. Brady was critically wounded in the assassination attempt against Reagan on March 30, 1981.

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