Marchers demand punishment of two ex-ROK presidents

SEOUL, May 15: About left about 200 people killed. 2,000 dissidents and students marched in downtown Seoul Saturday demanding punish ment of two ex-presidents for allegedly ordering a 1980 military crackdown on a prodemocracy movement, reports

Shouting "Punish Roh Taewoo and Chun Doo-hwan," the protesters scattered leaflets urging a government investigation to the two former presi-

In western Seoul, hundreds of riot police stood guard around the neighbouring homes of Roh and Chun after radicals threatened to make a citizens' arrest and punish

The march followed a call by dissident for street rallies beginning Saturday to force a probe into the alleged involvement of the two ex-presi-dents in the crackdown that

Johannesburg.

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AFP from Rome.

reports AP from Seoul.

statement.

their business base in Latin America.

said, reports AFP from Rome.

charity, which she founded.

AP from Mexico City.

cials informed the press of her accident.

coast of Gurrero, in southwest Mexico.

No further details were immediately available.

Dissidents say Roh and Chun ordered the crackdown after seizing power in a 1979 coup, which triggered nationwide protests and led to armed clashes in Kwangiu, 280 kilometers (175 miles) south of Seoul.

When President Kim Youngsam succeeded Roh in February as South Korea's first civilian president in 32 years, he promised there would be no punishment of the two former presidents.

Kim, a former dissident, has distanced his government from past administrations and pushed a highly publicized anti-corruption drive.

His far-reaching drive won wide support but whipped up public anger anew over alleged wrongdoing under the two previous military-backed administrations.

ANC militants stab 6 IFP men:

Six Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP) supporters were stabbed and

seriously wounded in a clash with African National Congress

(ANC) militants outside the Supreme Court, the domestic

news agency, SAPA said Friday, reports AFP from

porters had gathered outside the court, apparently attracted

by the appearance of a man in connection with the 1991 mas-

sacre of 23 IFP supporters in Thokoza township, just south of

20 hurt in Italian car bomb blast:

A booby-trapped car exploded here Friday night injuring 20

people and causing heavy damage in an attack that police said

may have targeted an anti-Mafia television presenter, reports

The blast occurred at 9.40 pm (1940 GMT) in the Parioli

The explosion, which police attributed to a car bomb, left a

district of northern Rome, gutting one building and blowing

erater two meters wide and a meter deep in Fauro street,

Fujimori to visit ROK June 2-4:

President Alberto Fujimori of Peru Will visit South Korea June

2-4 for talks with South Korean President Kim Young-sam on

improved relations, the presidential office said Saturday,

Scoul. Many South Koreans say they hope Peru will serve as

for further developing bilateral ties in all fields, from

cooperation on the world stage to trade and other economic

ventures, including fishing operations", Kim's office said in a

Mother Teresa hospitalised: Mother

Teresa was being treated in a Rome hospital Friday after

breaking three ribs in a fall here Thursday, church officials

There was no immediate news of the condition of the 82-

Mother Teresa was to attend a prayer meeting here organ-

year-old nun, who won the Nobel peace prize in 1979 for her

work with the poor in Calcutta through the missionaries of

ised by the Christian Union of business leaders, whose offi-

Quake hits Mexico City: A strong quake

shook Mexico City at about 9.13 pm (0313 GMT) Friday,

followed by a stronger temblor a few minutes later, reports

ings, knocked pictures off walls, and some traffic lights went

out. But there were no immediate reports of injuries or dam-

information Center in Golde, Colo, said preliminary readings

indicated there were two earthquakes that originated on the

The quakes lasted about one minute each and shook build-

Bruce Presgrave, spokesman for the National Earthquake

Fujimori will be the first Peruvian head of state to visit

"President Fujimori's visit is expected to serve as a catalyst

damaged cars and knocked out electrical power in the area.

out windows within a radius of 500 meters(yards).

The South African Press Association said IFP and ANC sup-

We've evidence of Pak involvement in Bombay blasts: Chavan

India will woo other states to put Pakistan on 'terrorist list'

NEW DELIII, May 15: India said on Friday it had circumstantial evidence to prove Pakistani involvement in the March bomb blasts in Bombay and was hoping to persuade other countries to declare Pakistan A 'terrorist state,' reports Reuter.

"Investigations so far indicate Pakistan's organised support and involvement in the planning and execution of a series of blasts in Bombay on March 12," Home (interior) Minister Shankar Rao Chavan told the lower house of parliament.

"Efforts are being made to take up the issue with various countries on declaring Pakistan a 'terrorist state'. We have circumstantial evidence to prove it."

At least 250 people were killed and more than 1,400 injured in the Bombay blasts which targeted the stock ex-

change among other centres. New Delhi says the Memons, a Bombay-based business family suspected by police to be involved in the blasts, fled India after the blasts and went first to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates and later Pakistan.

Islamabad denies involvement in the blasts and has promised cooperation in tracking down the Memons.

We have been in touch with the United Arab Emirates and Pakistan on extradition of certain people but somehow we did not get the response expected from friendly countries," Chavan said in parlia-

He said 138 people, including five customs officials and eight police personnel, had

BELGRADE: Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, Yugoslav President Dabrica Cosic and

President of Montenegro Momir Bulatovic (L-R) attend the all-Serbian parliament session

US to raise human rights

issue in talks with ASEAN

ASEAN has resisted previ-

ous attempts by the United

States to make it spell out or

define human rights, arguing

that the right of society as a

whole overrode individual

rights as had been espoused by

"We believe security in

volves more than just arms and

alliances. Democracy and hu-

man rights are components of

a broader definition of secu

rity," said Lord at his first

Lord reassured ASEAN of

Washington's continued

commitment to the region's

security interests, saying

Washington would keep intact

relationships in the region.

its existing bilateral defence

He said Washington sup-

ported the proposal to also in-

clude regional security issues

on the agendas of its future

meeting with ASEAN officials.

Washington.

Friday to discuss a possible acceptance of the Vance-Owen peace plan by the Bosnian Serb.

been arrested so far in connection with the blasts.

Meanwhile, Pakistan on Friday denied an Indian accusation that it was linked to a series of bomb attacks and said it had found no trace of those allegedly involved in the Bombay blasts last March.

"The world knows there is no evidence (against Pakistan)," a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The accusation was part of an attempt by India to have Pakistan declared a "terrorist state", the spokesman said.

"India tried its best to get Pakistan declared a "terrorist state" by trying to involve it in the Bombay bomb blasts but the whole world knows these allegations are false," he said.

The Indian Home Minister said New Delhi was working with various countries to have

-AFP/UNB photo

dialogues with the region at

ASEAN's Post Ministerial Conferences [PMC].

stakes in contributing to polit-

ical stability in Southeast Asia

and all of Asia, Lord said at the

ASEAN was Washington's

opening of the two-day meet-

fastest growing export mar-

kets, he said. "We will con-

tinue to base our security in

the Pacific on our alliances and

He said Washington would

other bilateral security rela-

maintain its forces in the re-

gion both to deal with specific

contingencies and to con-tribute to regional stability.

over, we have not yet estab-

lished the peace," he said,

adding that ASEAN was

Washington's key partner in

achieving its regional security

Unresolved problems in

cluded the 400 Palestinian de-

portees stranded in Lebanon

we can always go home and tell

our people to keep up the fight

they have been fighting for 70

Shaath also complained that

Washington had presented the

proposal to the Israelis 36

hours before giving it to the

Palestinian negotiators.

years. Shaath said.

crete results," he said.

"Although the cold war is

tionships," Lord said.

Washington had enormous

Pakistan named as a "terrorist state".

The Pakistani spokesman said the Foreign Office had notifled the Indian Ambassador to Islamabad on Thursday that the suspects were not on Pakistan territory.

"He was informed that the Bombay blasts suspects might have managed to slip away from Karachi before the Indian government took up their case with the Pakistan government on March 23," he said.

But the Pakistani spokesman said: "They never approached us to extradite the suspects. They only passed some information to us and we investigated.

The results of the Investigation had been passed on to India and also to the United States, he said.

Lankan polls in March '95

COLOMBO, May 15: Shri Lanka President Dingiri Banda Wijetunga has announced that the government will call for a general election in March 1995, reports Xinhua.

The President said this Friday evening at a ruling party's provincial council election meeting in Kegalle district, over 90 kilometers off Colombo.

According to reports reaching here today, the President also said that there is no need to talk about a parliamentary election now. It serves no purpose. It will be held in March

Shri Lanka's next presidential election is due by the end of 1994 since the last election was held in December 1988. The general elections to elect a new parliament is due by mid February 1995.

Indian Gen Cariappa dead

NEW DELIII, May 15: The army's first Indian commander-in-chief, Field Marshal KN Cariappa, died Saturday in the southern city of Bangalore, news agencies reported. He was 95, reports AP.

Cariappa died of heart failure, doctors at the air force command hospital in Bangalore said.

Cariappa was chief of the army from 1949 to 1953. He took over as the commander in chief from Gen Sir Roy Bucher on January 15, 1949, the United News of India news agency said. India became independent from the British in 1947 and a republic in 1950.

The Indian government honored Cariappa with the rank of Field Marshal in 1986, 33 years after he had retired.

First batch of German troops leaves for Somalia COLOGNE, Germany, May

15: A first group of German soldiers left here late on Friday for Djibouti heading for Somalia where they will take part in the deployment of a United Nations peace force, reports AFP.

It is the first time since the German Federal Army was set up in 1955 that armed German troops are sent outside the NATO theatre.

They will be joined next week by 100 more German soldiers who will help establish a base camp for the rest of the 1,640-strong contingent

due to arrive there in July. The contingent is scheduled to be operational from August so as to take part in rebuilding roads, bridges and other infrastructures damaged by civil war and ensure regular

food supplies to the local population, Defence Minister Volker Ruehe said. The German troops are part

of operation UNISOM-II decided by the Security Council

Off the Record

He's just burning off weight

WASHINGTON: Kristina Emanuels was jogging one early morning when she came face to face with a fellow government worker huffing and puffing near the Lincoln Memorial, reports AP.

"Good Morning," the Office of Management and Budget analyst said.

"Hi," replied Bill Clinton, the president of the United States, as they passed each other. The jogging president has

become a familiar attraction in post-dawn Washington, when streets are still half empty. Clad in baggy jog togs. he plods his way toward fit-As Emanuels can attest.

Clinton is not out there to shatter records. He's just burning off some weight and saying hello. In that sense, the presi

dent's jcg is endearing. Like millions of other Americans, Citizen Clinton labour along, waging his own battle of the Rarely has a president's exercise routine been so

keenly chronicled. President Bush was a jogger, but he generally kept to out-of-theway tracks or used an exercise bike.

Clinton usually shuns his private jogging track in favour of commuter arteries,

jogging past imposing monuments and along the Potomact river-front.

Early morning finds him running alongside other joggers, through clumps of early-rising tourists and past ground-keepers, military men and midlevel bureaucrats.

40 yrs imprisonment in 'condom rape' case

AUSTIN, Texas: A jury on Friday sentenced a knife-wielding attacker to 40 years in prison in the "condom rape" case in which the defence contended the victim had consented to sex by asking the man to use a condom, reports Reuter. The eight-woman, four-man penal deliberated for five

hours before imposing the sentence on 28-year-old Joel Rene Valdez, who was convicted of rape on Thursday. Valdez will have to serve a mandatory 10 years.

The victim, 26-year-old-Elizabeth Xan Wilson, thanked the jury after the sentencing.

"I have been called the victim in the condom rape case. I am not the condom rape victim," she said. "I do not have a victim's mentality."

Wilson, an artist, told reporters after the conviction that she wanted to "humanize" herself by revealing her name and agreed to comment at the end of the trial.

The jury has a wide range of options, from five years probation to 99 years in prison.

During final arguments in the sentencing phase of the trial, defence attorney Malcom Nettles urged the jury to put Valdez on probation because he had exhibited some feeling for the victim when he agreed to wear a condom.

Chaplin mementos sold off

GENEVA: A violin Charlie Chaplin is said to have played in the 1916 silent film "The Vagabond" fetched 48,000 Swiss francs (dlrs 33,000) at an auction of the great comedian's memorabilia, held despite a protest by his children, reports

The fiddle, modified for a left-handed player, was among 461 lots, ranging from bow ties and a silk pajama to hand-written pages of a film. manuscript, that sold for a total of 220,000 francs (dlrs 152,000).

The violin's buyer identified himself only as a collector from Algeria.

A dark blue suit Chaplin wore at a 1952 reception by Queen Elizabeth II was bought for 18,000 francs

(dlrs 12,400) by Frans Billen, a Belgian car dealer. Four lots of handwritten pages from the scenario for a film Chaplin never made, "The Freak," found unidentified buyers for a total of 33,100 francs (dlrs 22,800).

Pre-poll violence feared

Families of UN staff leaving Cambodia PHNOM PENH, May 15:

The United Nations began evacuating the families of its employees in Cambodia Saturday, eight days before UNsponsored elections are scheduled to begin, reports

Over 100 dependents left Saturday morning and several hundred more were expected to leave on later flights.

on Friday afternoon from UN headquarters in New York to leave as soon as possible. They are expected to stay in Bangkok, Thailand, until after the May 23-28 elections.

It is widely feared the up-

Most had received orders

daughters prepared to leave Phnom Penh. "If something violent does happen and all UN personnel must evacuate, it would be chaos if we had to

evacuate everyone at once."

UNICEF as his wife and three

One of the four factions who agreed in a peace accord in 1991 to authorize the UN-supervised elections has since backed out.

Shultz for air strikes in Bosnia

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15: Former US Secretary of State George Shultz said on Friday the United States should be willing to mount a 'Desert Storm'-style air strike against the Serbs to stop fighting in

Bosnia, reports Reuter. Shultz also said the United States should push for Bosnian Muslims to able to get weapons and should seek to isolate Serbia politically by excluding it from the United Nations.

in a hard-hitting speech to the Commonwealth Club of California, Shultz spoke against the inclusion of Bosnian * uslims in the UN arms emGuards Corps, according to a broadcast by Iran's official

speed boats were said to have participated. Twenty helicopters and an unidentified number of submarines also took part. The exercise included live firing of missiles.

the region to acquire subare believed to be following. The country also operates Midet submarines.

Palestinians and other Arab

parties on Friday blamed the fatlure of the last round of Middle East peace talks on Washington, which had tried ports AFP.

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN.

May 15: The United States an-

nounced today that it would

raise the controversial issues

of human rights and democ-

racy in talks with Southeast

Asian Nations that have previ-

ics, reports AFP.

Brunet.

ously focussed on security top-

Secretary for East Asian and

Pacific Affairs, said Washington

wanted the issues of human

rights and democracy, which it

regarded as important ele-

ments of security, incorpo-

rated in the dialogue to be

held with ASEAN members in

Analysts said the move to

include human rights might be

rejected by the Association of

Southeast Asian Nations

(ASEAN) because of differing

views on the controversial is-

Winston Lord, US Assistant

the Palestinians and Israelis at the ninth round in Washington "has created new gaps in the bridge we were trying to build to fill the gap," top PLO official Nabil Shaath said in London.

The proposal on bridging

gunman dozed, the interior

Ministry said. He awoke and

was shot dead with three bul-

children are in good health...,"

Pasqua said at the school

shortly afterward. "The mad-

man is dead. The law has tri-

done and relief that the chil-

dren emerged unharmed was

expressed in taxis and cafes

around Paris, where the

hostage crisis had become the

The gunman had demanded

100 million francs (dirs 18.5

million) in exchange for free-

chief topic of conversation.

The sentiment of justice

"The nightmare is over. The

lets to the head.

umphed.

self-rule marked the first time the United States, which cosponsors the peace talks with Russia, had intervened since the talks began in October 1991 in Madrid. The ninth round, which be-

gan April 27, ended Thursday with no agreement.

round of talks, Shaath said.

tivists - must now offer a better proposal if it wants a 10th

the deterioration of the situation in the occupied territories, he said. "Peace is in everybody's interest, but in the final analysis

"Each progress was fol lowed by a setback," Shaath said of the ninth round. "We had promised our people that having decided to come back,

ingness to negotiate," Shaath said. "But we have our pride."

"We are serious in our will

did not see the killing being shielded behind mattresses.

"Thirty seconds after the end of the hostage taking, they were playing again," she said. "It was impossible to know what this man was about and what he wanted," Ms Lambert said. "We always had the impression that it would finish

Fourteen children were re leased Thursday and one Friday at 1 am. But Schmitt held on to the rest and grew increasingly irritable with no gotiators' demands to free

The first indication that the

long standoff had broken came when reporters at the school saw police carrying children out of the nursery school about 7:30 am (0530 GMT).

hour later that Schmitt was dead and the children safe.

"My joy is more than profound," said Nicolas Sarkozy, mayor of this affluent Paris suburb and France's budget minister. He led a four-man negotiating team.

"At the beginning, he wanted money," Sarkozy said. "After a while, he didn't talk about it any more, we didn't know what he wanted."

Uruguayan peacekeeper killed in Phnom Penh PHNOM PENH, May 15: A

UN peacekeeper from Uruguay was shot dead near UN headquarters early today while riding his motorbike along a dark street, UN officials said, reports AFP. Corporal Sergeant Daniel

Dustante Rios, 34, was found

lying in a critical state about 2:00 am (19:00 GMT Friday) with gunshot wounds to the leg and back, the UN spokesman's office said Dustante was a marine

serving with the 900 member Uruguayan force in Cambodia.

Iran gets 8 missiles from Ukraine LONDON, May 15: Iran is reported to have taken delivery of eight supersonic, sea-Tehran radio.

skimming cruise missiles from Ukraine to control the vital tanker route into the Gulf, reports PTI.

Tehran has also conducted extensive naval exercises in the Persian Gulf last week reportedly including submarines for the first time, according to

Western defence analysts. Around 36,000 personnel took part in the "victory 4" joint manoeuvres involving land, naval and air forces as

well as the Revolutionary

Eighty ships and 100 high

Iran is the first country in marines. It has one Russia-built 'Kilo' class boat and two more

NEUILLY-SUR-SEINE, Fra-

nce, May 15: A gunman who

held six small girls and their

nursery school teacher hostage

was shot and killed Saturday

morning, the third day of the

ordeal. The captives were

Police found 21 sticks of live

dynamite planted at the

doors, corners of the room,

and on the man himself,

Interior Minister Charles

Pasqua said. The explosives

had been rigged to explode in

Members of a crack police

squad entered the classroom

at 7:25 am (0525 GMT) to

sneak out the hostages as the

three separate groups.

freed unharmed, reports AP.

US proposal unfair: PLO differences over Palestinian

to spur them along by intervening for the first time, re-The US proposal given to

It was "totally unfair" because it reflected "Isracli language," according to Shaath, coordinator for the negotiations and close advisor to Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser

since December, the lack of human rights guarantees and

Washington - who with promises of progress lured the Palestinians back to the negotiations after a four-month break sparked by Israel's deportation of Palestinian ac

we would obtain some con

dom for the children and their

teacher. He communicated to

police elaborate escape de-

mands, complete with dia

grams and demands for live TV

At a news conference,

Pasqua ended the mystery of

the gunman's identity, naming

him as Eric Schmitt, 42, a

Frenchman born in Algeria, a

French department until

1962. Pasqua said Schmitt

bombed a parking lot in

Neutlly-Sur-Seine on May 8. No

Schmitt's demands to police

had been signed with the ini-

tials "HB" - which Pasqua said

stood for "Human Bomb."

coverage.

one was hurt.

Ordeal of French school children ends, gunman shot dead Pasqua saluted the "courage

and calm' of the girls, aged 3

4. They were among 21 children taken hostage Thursday morning along with their teacher, Laurence Dreyfus, 30, who was in her first teaching assignment. The teacher's bravery and determination to care for her

pupils throughout the ordeal led Pasqua to award her the Legion of Honour, France's highest award. Evelyne Lambert, a 25-year-old pediatrician who helped look after the children, also received Ms Lambert said at the news

conference that the children

Pasqua confirmed half an

coming polls, Cambodia's first democratic elections in decades, will be violent. They're doing it as a precautionary measure because here anything could happen, said Winifredo Abulencia of