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S Korea scales down joint US military drill

SEOUL, July 11: South Korea will scale down military drills scheduled for later this year in an attempt to promote reconciliation with North Korea...

Arafat, Barak and Clinton poised to push for Camp David II peace deal

CAMP DAVID, Maryland, July 11: PLO leader Yasser Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and US President Bill Clinton were to launch Tuesday in the historic setting of Camp David a concerted bid to settle five decades of conflict...

prospect that has led many to predict a resurgence of violence if the summit fails. At the same time, Barak has been beset by domestic political crises and his fragile coalition has been split by defections...

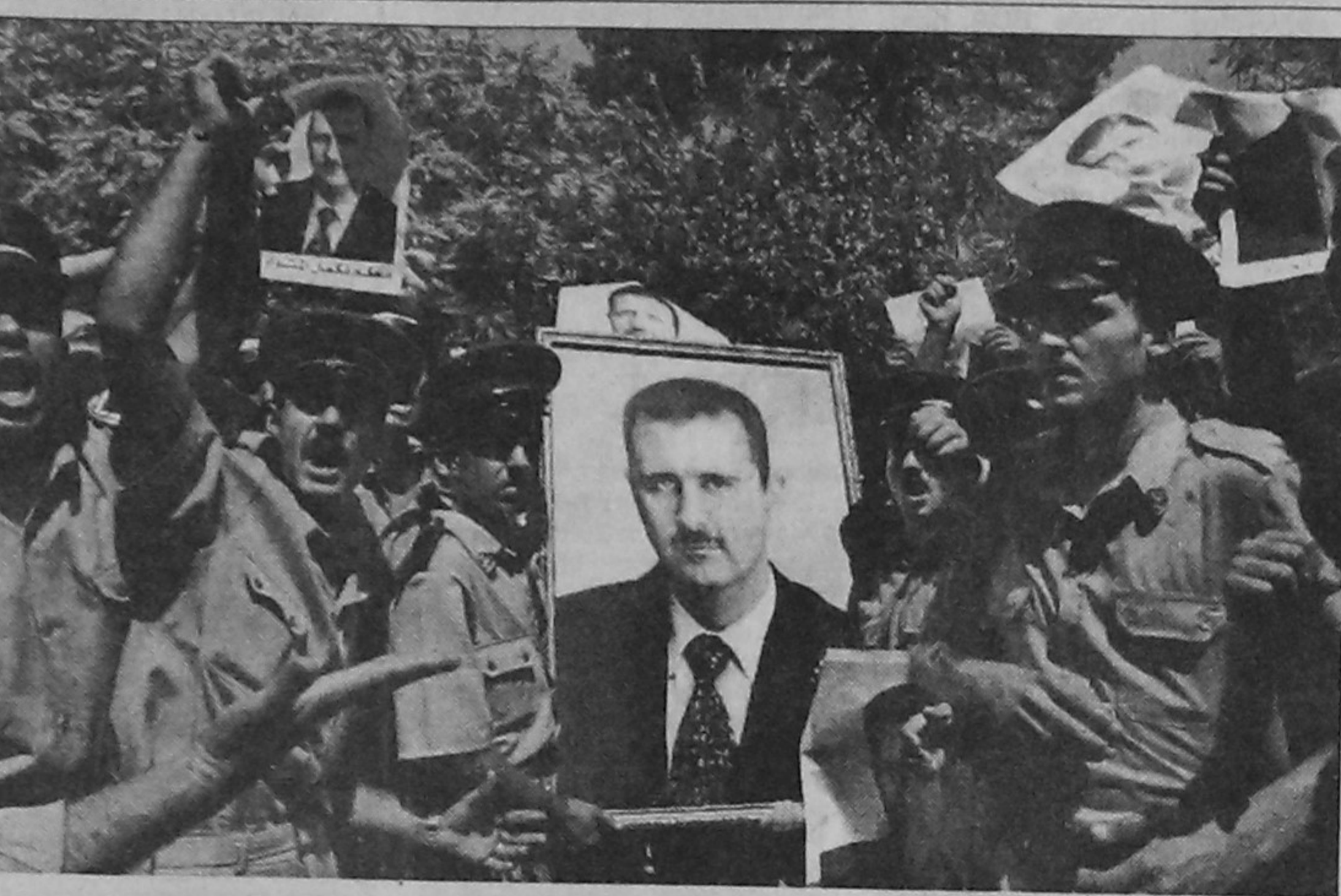


Kulsoom Nawaz (C), wife of deposed Pakistani prime minister Nawaz Sharif stands among her party members in Lahore on Monday. Kulsoom said the authorities had put her under house arrest and police besieging her home were not allowing members of her family to enter.

The two Koreas have remained technically at war since the 1950-53 Korean War which was halted by a shaky armistice. No formal peace treaty has ever been signed.

Father drinks son's blood

JORHAT, July 11: A man slit his six-month old son's throat and drank his blood in full public view at Gotinga Sunapur in Jorhat district yesterday, reports PTL.



Syrian policemen carry pictures of Bashar al-Assad outside a polling station in Damascus on Monday as Syrians go to the polls in a plebiscite to give Assad a seven-year term as president, one month after the death of his father Hafez al-Assad who ruled the country for 30 years with an iron grip.

Bashar elected Syrian President

DAMASCUS, July 11: Bashar al-Assad won 97.29 per cent of the votes in Monday's nationwide referendum, becoming Syria's 16th president. Interior Minister Mohammed Harb said today, reports AFP.

112 killed in fresh fighting in Lanka

COLOMBO, July 11: Tamil Tiger guerrillas attacked a village in northeastern Sri Lanka today, killing at least four civilians as ferocious fighting elsewhere killed another 108 people, the government said, reports AFP.

Mosharraf pleads for smaller families

ISLAMABAD, July 11: Pakistan's Army Chief Gen. Pervez Musharraf declared war Tuesday on Pakistan's soaring population and pleaded for smaller families, reports AP.

Memory loss can be curable: Researchers

WASHINGTON, July 11: Memory problems are sometimes reversible and not necessarily due to Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia, according to specialists at a convention on Alzheimer's here, reports AFP.

Alzheimer Congress 2000 here. You should see a doctor if your memory fails again and again, according to Waldemar. The team found only 43 per cent of the patients were suffering from Alzheimer's disease or another type of dementia.

Britain again apologised over the incident, which dealt a fresh blow to Japan's nuclear power programme after a fatal accident at a uranium plant last September in Tokaimura, 120 km northeast of Tokyo.

Britain agrees to remove nuclear fuel from Japan

TOKYO, July 11: The British government today capitulated to Japanese demands that it remove a consignment of nuclear fuel which arrived here with faked quality control data, reports AFP.

BRIEFLY
Wedding party bus crash kills 10: At least 10 wedding party guests were killed and 13 injured when the crowded bus in which they were travelling plunged into a ravine in East Java...

Hundreds of houses burned in Java
JAKARTA, July 11: Thousands of people were homeless and one person dead after fighting broke out on Indonesia's main island of Java, police said today, reports AP.



Australian Prime Minister John Howard (L) greets Indian Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee (R) as Indian Foreign Minister Jaswant Singh (C) looks on, prior to talks on Monday. Howard is on a two-day official visit to India.

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Speight may become a cabinet minister
SUVA, Fiji, July 11: The leader of Fiji's influential tribal chiefs said Tuesday that coup leader George Speight could be offered a Cabinet post when they meet Thursday to appoint a new president and government, reports AP.

Garbage avalanche Death toll rises to 85
MANILA, July 11: The death toll from the collapse of a massive pile of garbage on the outskirts of the Philippine capital rose to 85 today with scores of others reported missing, officials said, reports AFP.

Princess from Bahrain seeks asylum in US
CAMP PENDLETON, California, July 11: A princess from Bahrain who fell in love with a US Marine and fled the Gulf using fake US military documents is seeking political asylum here, saying she faces persecution if she returns to her island nation, reports AP.

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