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4,000 May Have Perished In Quake

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — The massive quake that hit Romania could seriously set back this Communist country's efforts to set an independent economic course, diplomats said today. The death toll in Bucharest mounted and the first plane load of U.S. emergency aid was reported on its way. The official Romanian news

agency Agerpres said that in addition to the heavy toll in lives and housing, "scores of economic enterprises were damaged, with their productive activity being partially or completely interrupted" in Bucharest. Romanian officials said 580 persons have been confirmed dead, 508 of them in Bucharest, where Friday's quake collapsed

32 high-rise apartment houses. But rescuers were finding a few survivors in the ruins. Western diplomats estimated that as many as 4,000 persons may have perished in the capital, and a doctor said the toll may rise above 6,000. "It was big blocks of apartments that fell, and they were corner buildings," he said. "One apartment building was

10 stories and another 12 stories, and they both fell." Ambulances and hearses waited as teams of soldiers and civilians rummaged through the debris. Bulldozers and cranes picked away at buildings which had been reduced to piles of rubble. Diplomats said the destruction of industrial plants and the drain on food stocks could deal

Romania's economy a heavy blow. The Bucharest government has taken one of the most independent economic courses in the Soviet bloc, trying to build up its own industry and foreign trade. "This will really set them back," said a diplomat. "They haven't asked for (economic) aid yet, but I think they're going to need it."

Diplomats said the quake could hurt Romania's important exports of meat, cereals and grains, a major source of foreign currency. Agerpres said that in Bucharest there were "hundreds of dead and thousands of wounded, over 30 blocks of apartments destroyed, hundreds of buildings, houses and socio-cultural establishments

seriously damaged, thousands of families victims of the disaster...." The agency said other areas of Romania were also "seriously afflicted." Four fifths of the houses in the southern town of Zimnicea collapsed, more than 8,300 houses were damaged or destroyed in Dolj county, and dozens of other towns and See Page 4; Column 7

For IUP Student

3,225 Kisses Net More Than \$2,000

He kissed a beauty queen first. Then for eight hours he snooched baby girls, college girls, grandmas, nuns, one puppy and waves of other females before giving kiss No. 3,001 to his mom. "And my lips stayed warm and moist all day," said Jeff Henzler, who did it all to raise money to help pay medical expenses for a fraternity brother paralyzed by an accident.

"People have been kidding me about getting all kinds of diseases, but so far I feel great," he said Sunday from his apartment at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Henzler shared that apartment with Bob Piorkowski until four weeks ago, when he sustained a cracked vertebrae and was paralyzed from the waist down by a 15-foot fall from an icy porch roof at their fraternity.

Henzler, 22, a business student from Pittsburgh, initially hoped to hold a bake sale to raise money. A shopping mall executive instead suggested something more gimmicky, so he went to a library for research.

"I read about this guy in California who kissed 3,000 different girls in eight hours in 1975. That was for me," he said in a phone interview.

His brothers at Kappa Sigma fraternity built him a kissing booth, adorned with tissue paper flowers and huge red lips.

Henzler, a 6-footer with dark hair and a beard, took his place in the mall booth at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, wearing a powder blue tuxedo and a ruffled shirt.

As onlookers cheered, his first kiss went to Tammy Vitale, a I.U.P. freshman and former Miss Teenage Pennsylvania. "Not bad at all," Henzler said. Then came the masses.

"I kissed them all," he said, estimating his peak rate at one kiss every two seconds.

"Old ladies, babies, females of every shape and color, six or eight nuns, a puppy dog somebody brought up. I kissed anything female. I just kept mowing 'em down."

Some older woman asked for pecks on the cheek. Some college girls displayed far more gusto. "Anything for the cause," Henzler said.

Late in the afternoon, his fraternity brothers mobilized four school buses to round up subjects.

With the 6:15 p.m. deadline about a half hour away, Henzler needed 25 smooches to surpass 3,000 and the crowd began a countdown. When No. 3,001 came, Henzler's mother, Helen, did the honors.

"But there were so many girls lined up we didn't stop, and we finally finished with 3,225 different girls (excluding the dog)."

Each kisser signed her name, and Henzler hopes the Guinness Book of Records will recognize his feat.

Meanwhile, more than \$2,000 was dumped into fried chicken buckets at the scene. Henzler says total donations may reach \$6,000.

He didn't talk Saturday to his paralyzed friend in the intensive care unit of a hospital at his home in Bethel, Conn., after undergoing surgery last week to remove pressure on his spine. "But I talked to his father, and he's letting Bob know," said Henzler.

After the kissathon, Henzler went to a fraternity party. "You know," he said, "I kissed every girl at that party. I couldn't stop."



The kiss that launched a thousand dollars (plus) was this one between Jeff Henzler and former Miss Pennsylvania Teenager, Tammy Vitale of Indiana. Henzler kissed 3,225 females en route to raising over \$2,000 for his fraternity brother, Bob Piorkowski, who was paralyzed from the waist down after a fall recently. (Gazette photo by Bechtel)

Rugged Miner Fine After Waiting Five Days For Rescuers

TOWER CITY, Pa. (AP) — For five days, Ronald Adley waited for his rescuers to break through, knowing all the while his two of his buddies lay dead in the same underground chamber.

He saw them swallowed by a torrent of rushing water.

Adley, a rugged miner who scrambled for his life into an air pocket deep inside a flooded mine, dug the final part of his own escape tunnel and walked unaided to freedom Sunday. He rested in good health at a nearby hospital.

"I want to get the hell out of here," Adley told his rescuers as he walked from the dark depths of the mine. Further down the upward slanting shaft where he was trapped since midday Tuesday were the bodies of Ralph Renninger, 40, and Donald Shoffler, 41. Their bodies were removed after Adley was freed.

"Adley told us the other men were there," said a mining official who asked not to be identified. "Renninger and Shoffler worked in the same crew with Adley. He saw them go down when the water broke."

(See photo and other story on page four.)

Meanwhile, rescuers searched in vain for some sign of life from five other men entombed six days ago deep inside the Kocher Co. coal mine. Chances of finding the men alive are "very slim," said Jack Shuttack, regional manager of the federal Mining Enforcement and Safety Administration.

Shuttack said today he didn't know of any other sections of the mine with conditions similar to those that saved Adley. But he refused to give up hope for the five miners still missing.

"Ever hear of a miracle? A second miracle? There's always a chance," he insisted. "Until we have a hand on the body, we'll consider that the man is alive and will keep trying to get him out."

Shuttack said the six-day ordeal had taken its toll in frayed nerves and exhaustion. "People are starting to wear," he said following a day-break meeting of federal and state officials, and company representatives. Ten men were trapped beneath 400-foot Big Lick Mountain when a wall of water crashed through a shaft ceiling, battering support timbers and triggering roof falls in the Porter Tunnel.

Two bodies were recovered earlier. Adley, a 37-year-old father of two, raced for his life to the top of a 93-foot long chute. Water pushed debris 68 feet up the slant.

"Adley told us he saw the water and started running. Then he had to swim. He turned and yelled to the others, 'Get up the side! Hurry!' They

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At White House—

Carter Meets Israel's Rabin

WASHINGTON (AP) — Having touched the pulse of America and found people worried about taxes and health care, President Carter is turning to foreign affairs while Congress prepares to act on some of his key domestic proposals.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin arrived in Washington on Sunday and was due at the White House today for discussions with the President. Carter also plans talks in the coming weeks with Arab leaders in a renewed effort to encourage all parties in the Middle East to reach a peaceful settlement of their differences.

Rabin struck a conciliatory note on his arrival. "Israel," he said, "will do its utmost to help advance the cause of peace, whatever the endeavor, whatever meaningful framework for negotiations." Carter was expected to push for an early Geneva peace conference.

On Capitol Hill, a Senate committee was beginning hearings on the President's proposal to create a new Department of Energy. The House is scheduled to act on Tuesday on Carter's tax proposals to stimulate the economy, including his plan for a \$50 rebate to most Americans.

Carter spent Sunday attending a communion service at the First Baptist Church, dedicat-

ing Children's Hospital National Medical Center and outlining a 25 per cent increase he is proposing in the government's payment of the cost of identifying children who need health care. And he helped daughter Amy, 9, design See Page 4; Column 8

Brush Valley Fire Leaves 4 Homeless

BRUSH VALLEY — Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed a frame house four miles north of Brush Valley around 9:30 a.m. today.

Firemen from Brush Valley and Cherryhill Township responded to an alarm turned in by Fred Murdick who spotted the blaze.

First firemen on the scene within minutes of the call said the house "was a ball of fire when we arrived."

One report said Mrs. Minta White and her four children resided in the house owned by Randy Murdick. Firemen said two of the children were in school and the other two were reportedly with Mrs. White. Other details were not available.

On King Murder—

House Assassination Committee Ponders Ray's Offer To Testify

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House assassinations committee is pondering James Earl Ray's offer to testify as Congress begins a week promising major votes on President Carter's tax and economic stimulus program.

Assassinations committee members, trying to save the panel, will consider Ray's conditional offer of testimony on the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. But first the panel scheduled discussion today on problems raised when committee chairman Henry Gonzalez, D-Tex., submitted his resignation. Across the Capitol the Senate

Governmental Affairs Committee begins hearings today on President Carter's proposal for a Department of Energy. The bill to abolish the Federal Power Commission, Energy Research and Development Administration and the Federal Energy Administration would place their functions in the new department.

The new department would also pick up energy programs scattered in six other federal agencies.

The Senate also is to vote Wednesday on Carter's controversial nomination of Paul Warnke as director of the U.S. Arms Control and Dis-

armament Agency and head of the U.S. delegation to strategic arms limitations talks with the Russians.

A House vote on a bill to ban importation of Rhodesian chrome is on the agenda for Thursday. Senate action also is possible on the administration-backed attempt to repeal an existing law permitting U.S. chrome imports despite a 1971 United Nations trade embargo against the white supremacist Rhodesian regime.

Meanwhile, both the House and Senate were moving toward votes on the President's plan to boost the economy.

The House votes Tuesday on its version of Carter's tax cut and \$50 rebate bill and is to vote Friday on a \$20.7 billion appropriation for his economic stimulus program.

Del. Walter Fauntroy, head of an assassinations subcommittee probing King's murder, said he wants to call a public session to hear Ray this week, but doubts he can because of the panel's internal problems.

But Ray's new lawyer, Jack Kershaw of Nashville, said in a telephone interview late Sunday night that no one from the committee had contacted him on conditions for Ray's

testimony. Kershaw said Ray, serving 99 years in prison for killing King, wants to spell out his contention that he unwittingly became involved in a conspiracy that set him up to take the blame for the assassination.

The panel has been embroiled in controversy since Congress convened and was in shambles last week after Gonzalez' resignation.

Chief, Duck Locate Sun

Chief Tommy Hawk, longing for that good old warm weather, and agreeing with WIIC-TV's "Duck," Don Riggs, has this to say about Punxsy Phil's weather prediction.

The Chief and Riggs agree Gazette-land will be clear tonight with lows in the low to mid 20s. For Tuesday, expect a sunny and warmer day with highs in the upper 40s to low 50s.

There is a near zero per cent chance of rain through Tuesday. Take that, groundhog!



Just Misunderstood—

Idi Amin Wants To Be Friends

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) — President Idi Amin says he wants to improve relations between Uganda and the United States and hopes to visit New York later this year.

"President Carter one day will be one of my best friends," Amin said Sunday in an interview with The Associated Press, CBS and NBC.

"I like Carter as a person, but I don't think he understands me or even Africa. He doesn't know African policy and only follows reports from exiles.

"The exiles will never speak much good about his own government. They are speaking bad things about me to get money from the newspapers."

Amin said he hopes to visit United Nations headquarters in New York this year. If Washington bars him from the United States, he added, other nations would demand that the headquarters of the world body be moved.

He also said he plans to attend the Commonwealth Con-

ference in London in June despite demands in Britain that he be barred from that country because of alleged violations of human rights in Uganda.

Amin denied charges by refugees and foreign churchmen that he murdered Anglican Archbishop Janani Luwum and two cabinet ministers accused with him of plotting against Amin. He insisted that they died in an automobile wreck shortly after their arrest Feb. 16. He also denied refugees' reports that his army is exterminating members of the Christian Acholi and Langi tribes.

Amin said his ban on the 240 American residents of Uganda leaving the country was not issued because he wanted to hold them hostage but because he wanted to meet with them and thank them for the "very, very hard" work they had done for his country.

The ban was called off last week and the meeting was canceled. Amin said his "sincere appreciation" of the Americans was "misinterpreted in a very bad way by Carter, his secretary of state, Cyrus Vance, and U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young."



MC CREARY PLANT STRUCK — Production workers at the local McCreey Tire & Rubber Co. plant man picket line this morning after going on strike at midnight Sunday. Walkout affects approximately 390 production employees, members of United Rubber Workers Local 947. Union voted to strike Sunday after previous two-year contract expired. Members rejected a three-year contract offer made by the company. Reportedly at issue in the strike are wages and contract language. A company spokesman said that no further talks had been scheduled as of this morning.

(Gazette photo by Bechtel)

GAZETTE INSIDE

OUTSTANDING — Jamie Randolph ended a seven-year drought of Indiana High District 6 wrestling champions Saturday by winning both the 'AAA' title and the Outstanding Wrestler Award.

The Lil Injun pinned all four foes in his successful quest for an area crown. Ted Moreau also qualified for the Regional at Clarion next week.

United's Scott McMillan and Blairsville's Vince Esposito qualified for the 'AA' Regional at Lock Haven

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Income tax protest meeting. Hear Dave Adams & others. Ramada Inn. 7:30 p.m., Tuesday.