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Ex-Beatle John Lennon Shot, Killed

NEW YORK (AP) - Former screwball" with no apparent motive for shooting Lennon. Beatle John Lennon, who catapulted to stardom with the long-haired British rock group pected the man, in his mid-20s, in the 1960s, was shot to death to be held through the night. late last night outside his luxury apartment building on Manhattan's Upper West Side, police

Authorities said Lennon, 40, was rushed in a police car to Roosevelt Hospital, where he was pronounced dead shortly

after arriving. Doctors said he suffered seven severe wounds in his chest, back and left arm, but they did not know how many bullets had hit him. Dr. Stephen Lynn said, "I am sure he was dead when he was shot."

Police said the shooting occurred outside the Dakota, the century-old luxury apartment house where Lennon and his wife, Yoko Ono, lived. It is across the street from Central

yesterday that the United

States had come much closer to

meeting demands for release of

the hostages and he thinks the

Hashemi Rafsanjani said ata

news conference in Tehran, "If

the United States meets our

demands, and it seems that they

want to, the problem will be

settled. In the past, the United

States has accepted our

demands in principle but this

time it has taken more clear

"We have given our final opi-

nion about the hostages," Raf-

sanjani said. "Ido not think that

Mostly Clear

Tehran several more days.

waiting to hear officially from

Rafsaniani said the first U.S.

reply was vague in addressing

the demands but there were few

unanswered questions in the

"The United States have

moved forward in executing our

demands and the rights that we

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'More Clear Steps'

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latest response.

steps in executing them."

sion studying the issue.

the subject will return."

to Iran.

its view."

situation will be resolved.

as crying. Police said they had a suspect Sullivan said the suspect was described him as "a a 25-year-old man from Hawaii who had reportedly been hang-2nd Keply ing around the Dakota for some

Jack Douglas, Lennon's Is Better, producer, said he and the Lennons had been at a midtown studio called the Record Plant Iran Says and that Lennon left at 10:30 p.m. Lennon said he was going to get something to eat and go home, Douglas said. By The Associated Press The speaker of the Mailissaid

A bystander, Sean Strub, said he was walking south near 72nd Street when he heard four shots. He said he came around the corner to Central Park West and saw Lennon being put into the back of a police car.

Lt. John Schick said he ex-

Lennon's wife was not hurt.

Sullivan said Lennon and his

wife were walking into the

enclosed courtyard of the

Dakota about 10:50 p.m. when

five shots rang out. Lennon

staggered up a few steps into

the building and collapsed, he

Police Officer Anthony

Palma, who was one of the first

officers to arrive, said officers

found Lennon lying face down in

the office of the nine-story

apartment building and carried

him to a patrol car. Miss Ono

was taken to the hospital in

Palma said she became

hysterical when doctors told

her that Lennon was dead. "Tell

me it isn't true," he quoted her

another car, he said.

Chief of Detectives James

"Some people say they heard six shots and said John was hit twice," Strubsaid. "Policesaid he was hit in the back." He said others told him the assailant had been "crouching in the archway of the Dakota. ... Lennon arrived in the com-

pany of his wife and the Rafsanjani also ruled out a further study by the Majlis, as At Roosevelt Hospital, Dr. Lynn announced that Lennon suggested by Executive Affairs Minister Behzad Nabavi, who was dead shortly after midheads the government commisnight. He said Lennon had been brought in shortly before 11

> "Extensive resuscitation ef-Continued on Page 7, Col. 1

His comments represented State Eyes Seizing the most positive indication to date that a solution might be near. Nabavi said Sunday that Debtors' Tax Refunds the U.S. clarification, delivered Thursday by Algerian diplomats, was more favorable

By Joseph Gatins Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

"There is little that is unclear." Rafsaniani said. "The Those who don't pay court commission is studying the fines, student loans, child supresponse of the United States port payments or other debts to and naturally it will announce the state eventually may see Virginia taking the money out of Algerian diplomats in. their income tax refunds. Tehran, who have been acting That is the main point of a new as intermediaries at Iran's relaw that will be proposed to the quest, said they had no state-

ment but indicated that they were continuing to work on the issue. A spokesman said the delegation could remain in In Washington, State Department spokesman John Trattner tax "set-off" notion as a logical declined to commment and said the Carter administration was

General Assembly in January. The proposal came up for discussion yesterday during a Audit and Review Commission. where the members enthusiastically seconded the

account problem of major Based on review of only handful of agencies, not in-

meeting of the Joint Legislative learning that several other Continued on Page 6, Col. 7

way to put a dent in a delinquent

cluding the court system, Virginia easily is owed more than \$50 million today, the watchdog commission was told. The review came at the request of Del. Robert B. Ball Sr., D-Henrico, who asked for something in writing after states already used the tax refunds to reduce individual and or without negotiation, we will

Alexander were appointed. Michel is expected to be minority leader in the next session since the full House selects the speaker and Democrats will retain control of the House in the

Michel, the minority whip,

was selected over Rep. Guy

Vander Jagt of Michigan by a

vote of 103-87 as House

Republican members of the

next Congress met for the first

time as a group. Both Michel

as conservatives.

and Vander Jagt are regarded

Lott surprised Rep. Bud

Shuster, R-Pa., by a vote of 96-90

to take the No. 2 slot. Shuster

blamed his defeat in part on a

feeling among Republicans that

one leader should be from the

North and another from the

Republicans would be on the of-

fensive when the next Congress

convenes in January and that he

would battle the Democratic

leadership over the ratio of

Republicans to Democrats on

Michel served notice that

were unopposed and Foley and

Rep. Trent Lott of Mississippi to the No. 2 leadership position. Democrats, meanwhile, re-elected their current leaders, Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill - of next two years. Vander Jagt Loses Massachusetts and Majority Members of the incoming Leader Jim Wright of Texas. Congress voted in the And the leadership, in turn, aporganizational elections. pointed Rep. Thomas Foley, D-

John Lennon Was Killed Outside Apartment Building

Beatles Rocketed to Fame with New Sound in 1960s

House GOP Leader

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Republican elections

House Republicans elected were closely contested. In con-

Rep. Robert H. Michel of trast, both O'Neill and Wright

Michel Is Elected

Wash., as Democratic whip. Named as chief deputy whip was Rep. Bill Alexander, D-Ark. He succeeds Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill, who is expected to be the next chairman of the Ways and Means Commit-

Illinois yesterday as their

leader in the next Congress and

Richmond, Virginia 23219

Rep. Gillis Long, D-La., was elected chairman of the Democratic Caucus, succeeding Foley in that position. Foley, who will have to give up his chairmanship of the Agriculture Committee, will геріасе Rep. John Brademas of Indiana as whip. Brademas was

defeated for re-election. O'Neill sidestepped questions as to whether Alexander was his answer to appeals by conservative Southern and Western Democrats who had pressed the speaker for more leadership in-

O'Neill said last week he wants to keep the 2-1 Democratic majority on the three most important committees - Rules, Ways and Means

and Appropriations. Wants 5-4 Ratio

key committees.

Michel said by rights the majority ought to be 5-4, considering the size of the Republican bloc in the House. The Republicans gained 33 seats in the November election to cut the Democrats' margin to 243-

Michel said that with the Republicans in control of the new Senate, the fight for President-elect Reagan's programs would occur "here in the House of Representatives. Our strategy will be to first

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day that the independent trade unions in Poland were con-Czechoslovakia. Then, too, there were repeated Several Soviet sources

Tass, the official news agency, said in a report from Warterrevolutionary groups, thought it likely that the government was preparing the ground for a crackdown by Kania ion, have turned to open confrontation" with the Com-Nonetheless, there was an atmunist Party and the

plicitly for the first time yester-

report called that judgment

into question by stating that

Dow Average

Off 22 Points

NEW YORK (UPI)

The Dow Jones industrial

average plunged . 22.53

points yesterday to its

lowest level in a month. A

selling binge was apparent-

ly caused by surging in-

terest rates and concern

about possible Soviet moves

Trading was fairly active

as the Dow average closed

at 933.70, the lowest level

since it finished at 932.42 on

Nov. 7. The average fell

37.11 points last week and

has lost 66.47 points since

The New York Stock Ex-

change index skidded 2.04 to

75.12 and the price of a share

Details, Page A-10

By Dan Moreau

Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

City employees will get four-

day weekends at Christmas and

New Year's as a gift from City

It voted last night to give

employees the Fridays follow-

City Workers to Get

Four-Day Holidays

decreased 98 cents.

hitting 1,000.17 on Nov. 20.

against Poland.

managements of factories and mosphere of extreme tension in institutions. the foreign community in Moscow, created in large The story, broadcast by measure by the conjunction of Radio Moscow and prominently displayed in all the major newspapers, was the most ominous official comment from Moscow. Diplomats were unanimous in declaring that it in-

creased the possibility of Warsaw Pact intervention. On Friday, Poland's six pact allies expressed guarded confidence, following an extraordinary meeting in Moscow, that the Polish leadership headed by provocative character and the first secretary of the party, doesn't deserve any com-Stanislaw Kania, would be able ment." He added, "As for to regain control. The Tass

"the counterrevolution leading the country toward further destabilization. Western analysts have been saying for weeks that for the Kremlin, the key question was whether Kania could demonstrate that he was able to yield on tactical questions upheavals in Poland. without ceding real long-term power to the new unions. Many diplomats found the language of the Tass story,

the agency described as acfrom various parts of Poland. which in the Soviet Union carries the same weight as a Tass depicted Solidarity as a

The Soviet Union asserted ex- the United States, distressingly In the past, official Soviet news media have decried what they have called "anti-socialist elements" in Poland. They ticles from Eastern European

Soviet Agency Terms

Polish Unions Rebels

various American statements, they are entirely on the conscience of the American side." Some European officials expressed fear that American warnings about the consequences of an invasion had become so strident and so frequent that they might have the effect of helping to convince the suspicious Kremlin leadership that the West was fomenting the The Tass report quoted what

high-level policy statement in cover group for the enemies of terrevolutionary" is one of the

vesterday had there appeared a sweeping claim that Solidarity constituted an organized rather than paving the way for a counter-revolutionary effort. In the Marxist lexicon, "coun-

the Tass story with White House assertions that Soviet troops had reached a state of readiness Asked for comment about Sunday's White House declara-

. tion that Soviet troops had completed preparations for a possible invasion, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said that "this question has a

counts of difficulties coming

similar to that used in reports suggestions that law and order have reprinted hard-line arnewspapers such as Rude suggested, however, that they Pravo in Prague. But not until

strongest terms of opprobrium. It is usually reserved for groups that Moscow considers a serious threat to its interests. Tass cited in support of its thesis an alleged incident at the Iskra plant - the word means "spark" in Russian, and was the name of the exile newspaper edited by Lenin - in Kielce, south of Warsaw. Tass said that "so-called protectors of the in-

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Jubilant Supporters Surround Edgar Tekere He Called Verdict Victory for 'People's Revolution'

Tekere Guilty of Murder, But Freed for 'Good Faith'

(C) New York Times Service had been charged with him, one of his bodyguards in the shooting of a white farmer in the summer, but was freed under a law enacted by the former

government that shields ministers from criminal charges if they acted "in good faith" to suppress terrorism. Tekere, who is manpower minister and secretary-general of the governing Zimbabwe African National Union, emerged from the courtroom in a triumphal procession made up of the seven bodyguards who

ing the holidays. Also,

resolutions were introduced to

seek pay raises for council

members in the coming session

Part of a package of requests

council is sending to the Rich-

mond delegation, the pay in-

crease if passed would double

council members' annual

salaries to \$12,000 and boost the

of the General Assembly.

Assembly can change.

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe - A several dozen jubilant supporsenior minister, Edgar Tekere. ters and some television crews. was found yesterday to have He called the verdict a victory committed murder along with for "the spirit of the people's revolution. There was no indication that

the finding that he had com-

mitted murder could lead to his

dismissal from his Cabinet or party posts by Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, who has maintained since Tekere was charged in August that he would let the law take its course.

Whites, who were calling the case a test of the government's readiness to uphold legal standards, were generally dismayed by the outcome even

Yesterday's balmy

75° Weather Won't Last

weather coaxed off the sweaters and jackets of Richmonders and almost made its way into the record books. The high of 75 was just two degrees shy of the record, set in 1978. But temperatures will drop today as showers are expected to sprinkle the area. The high will be in the mid-60s, with a low in the mid-40s. The chance of rain

mayor's pay to \$13,800 from the is 60 percent through \$7,200 he currently receives. Council pay is a part of the City The rain should end Charter that only the General tomorrow, but the cooling trend will continue.

suggestion of interference. The outcome resulted from a split between John Pittman, the white judge who was born in South Africa, and two non-white court officials known as assessors, whose function was to assist the judge in determining issues of fact, thereby performing a role similar to that of

Judge's View Pittman said he found that Tekere and his bodyguards had not acted in good faith under the terms of the Indemnity and Compensation Act, which was put on the books by the Ian Smith government in 1975 when the present leaders were regarded as the terrorists who needed to

be suppressed. But Peter Nemapara, a black, and Chris Greenland, a person of mixed race, both magistrates on temporary duty, reached the opposite conclusion and outvoted the judge.

At a news conference at the suburban residence where he was arrested four months ago, Tekere said that he was disgusted by the racial division that the split decision appeared to reflect. The cause of nonracialism, he asserted, required the overhauling of the judiciary, making it plain that he meant the purging of holdover white judges like Pitt-

The minister said that he and his bodyguards were "still at a Continued on Page 5. Col. 1

State GOP Raised \$620,000

By Dale Eisman and Shelley Rolfe Times-Dispatch

Staff Writers Virginia's Republican Party, which some political analysts argue is among the bestfinanced and -run state political organizations in the country, raised more than \$620,000 and spent nearly \$600,000 during 1980, according to reports filed with the state Board of Elec-

The GOP totals were more than three times those amassed by state Democrats, who have not filed their statements but who provided a sketchy picture of their finances at a state Central Committee meeting Much of the Republican fund

raising and spending, the reports show, went to the successful presidential campaign of Ronald Reagan and GOP candidates in nine of Virginia's 10 congressional districts. The state party spent more than AP Laserphoto \$245,000 from mid-October Hashemi Rafsanjani through mid-November alone. Because of the way the

ongoing party activities. last month that the party had 639 as of mid-October. raised about \$55,000 and spent

incomplete reports.

possible to tell how much of the gressional candidates was 10th and their donations in the final Republican spending was District Rep.-elect Frank R. devoted to the various cam- Wolf. He took in \$425,891, a paigns and how much supported figure that probably is a record While state Democrats have cumbent Joseph L. Fisher, had not filed their final report, their not filed a final report as of Central Committee was told vesterday but had raised \$181,-In the Richmond area 3rd

ter's campaign in the state. The elect Thomas J. Bliley Jr. raisstate Democratic Party is ed \$234,556, compared with \$27,operating on a yearly budget of 833 for Democrat John A. Mapp. about \$236,000, but through the While Bliley won the election first third of its fiscal year, it handily, the figures suggest. had raised only about \$65,000. Mapp got more out of each Republican congressional dollar spent. The Democrat candidates, who got some finan- spent about 59 cents per vote, cial aid from the state party, compared to \$2.46 per vote for consistently led their Bliley.

about \$500,000.

Democratic rivals in fund

reports are structured, it is im- spender among the confor Virginia. His opponent, in-

\$50,000 to help President Car- District, GOP Congressman-

raising, the reports confirm. that state Republicans got large The five GOP candidates who chunks of financial support had Democratic opposition from business executives and spent more than \$1.1 million on corporate political action comtheir campaigns, according to mittees in and out of the state. Democratic spending in those ty's contributors gave \$1,000 or five districts, again with some more each and the GOP configures still outstanding, was tributors list reads like a The biggest fund-raiser and business establishment.

The financial reports showed

More than 100 of the state par-"Who's Who" of the Virginia

weeks of the campaign included: W. Kent Carter Jr., a vice president of Scott and Stringfellow in Richmond, \$1,000; S. Dougias Fleet, of Holland Manufacturing in Richmond, \$1,000; Floyd D. Gottwald, chairman of Ethyl Corp., \$1,000; H.T. Graves of Luray, owner of Luray Caverns, \$1,000; E.H. Lester of Grundy, owner of Lester Coal Co., \$5,000; Dr. Frank S. Royal of Richmond, \$1,000; D.F. Antonelli Jr. of Washington, \$4,000; and Katherine E. Kilroy

of Los Angeles, \$2,500. The Republicans also got a \$500 contribution from R. Curtis Saunders Jr., a Portsmouth road builder who was indicted by federal grand jurors last month on a charge of conspiring to rig bids on government road

The GOP financial report indicates that the largest single chunk of the party's money went to North American Marketing Corp., the Richmond-based

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Not all council members supported the holiday move. Joining Major Henry L. Marsh III in opposing the Jan. 2holiday were Carolyn C. Wake, G.S. Kemp Jr. and Aubrey H. Thompson. After opposing the Jan. 2 holiday were amendment backed by William J. Leidinger, the four also voted against granting Dec. 26 as a holiday. Marsh told the acting assistant city manager, Dan Allen, he doubted the accuracy of Allen's estimate that Dec. 26 would cost the city about \$13,000 in holiday pay and Jan. 2 about twice that because sanitation crews on overtime would be required to collect trash the se-

> cond week. Council also heard complaints from two families in the South Side about what they saw as the rising number of burglaries. In recent weeks, council members have pressed City Manager Manuel Deese for information on the city's anticrime programs. Council mem-

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