Nuclear test block fails

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Washington (UPI) — Conservationists lost another
legal battle Monday in their attempt to prevent the un-
derground nuclear test on Alaska's Amchitka Island,
scheduled for Friday or later.

They made plans to go to the U.S.

Court of Appeals.

U.S. District Court Judge

George L. Hart Jr. rejected their
petition for a preliminary in-
junction, saying that "up to now"
they had shown no likelihood of
proving their case.

The conservationists contend
that the explosion, up to 300 times
stronger than the bomb that
destroyed Hiroshima, may
trigger a major earth quake and
cause sea waves that would be
felt thousands of miles away.

The Atomic Energy Com-

mission (AEC) has said its

studies indicate no such
likelihood and that no previous
underground test has ever set off
a shock larger than the original
one caused by the test.

The conservationists have

contended the government has
left secret certain documents
that could prove their claim that
what might cause great harm.

The AEC said during the
weekend that it expected to "be
in a state of readiness to

decrease" by Friday, meaning

the blast could not come before
then.

The AEC has said the test will
be something less than five
megatons. It would be the largest
U.S. underground test to date,
although perhaps smaller than a
Soviet Union explosion of a year
ago. Caniklin is designed to test
the Spartan warhead for the

SafeGuard antiballistic missile
system, requested by President

Nixon and authorised by

Congress.

The State Department an-
nounced that it was suspending
the right of innocent passage
within three miles of Amchitka
Island between Tuesday and
Thursday, and indicated the

suspension could be extended.

The suspension applied primarily
to the fishing fleets of Japan,

South Korea, the Soviet Union
and Canada.

David L. Bove, attorney for the

Committee for Nuclear

Responsibility and seven other

groups fighting the explosion,

as Hart signed a formal order.

Hart angrily turned down from
his bench the government's request that he postpone his

formal ruling for two days so it
could file more documents.

"Are you going to postpone the
test for two days?" Hart asked

the government. He said that

after reading secret government
doctors referred to the en-
vironmental impact he con-

sidered the complex legal

motions and "like a lamb to a

tarp."
Abuse of legally obtained drugs was the topic discussed by Dr. June Gates, head pharmacist at Stewi Vista, at Thursday night's Project 9 meeting.

Dr. Gates stated that the U.S. has an extremely drug-oriented society. People manage to get high on coffee as it happens more important to get caffeine into their systems to lift them up. Along the same line are cigarettes and their nicotine with a toxic quality similar to strychnine.

According to Dr. Gates, "booze is the most commonly abused drug of all." He predicts that by 1975 one American in nine will be an alcoholic. Every year over 1,000 people die in alcohol-related auto accidents—more than half of the all-time American death total in Vietnam.

Regular over-the-counter drugs combined with alcohol are responsible for far more deaths than illegal drugs. A few years ago a student from this college nearly died after taking an over-the-counter cough syrup. Dr. Gates notes heavy advertising bombardment as the cause of this abuse. Without prescription, drug companies spend 90 million a year to advertise their wares. Recently more drug legislation has been passed. Restrictions are being placed on wholesalers; some of which send enormous shipments of drugs to Mexico which end up being sold illegally in the U.S. Voluntary restraints by medical societies, and school education about legal drug abuse has started.
Japanese Football

The Utah State University football team will have to fly for 17 hours to get to the destination of their trip in December. That is not so amazing if you consider their trip to Japan.

According to a recent article in a newsletter from the NCAA, Utah State has received approval to play games in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan.

The Aggies will play Japanese Collegiate All-Star teams at Tokyo National Stadium on Dec. 18, and Osaka National Stadium on Dec. 26. Both stadiums have a seating capacity of 70,000.

While American football is not new to the Orient, Utah State's trip will mark the first appearance of an American collegiate team in Japan. There are more than 60 Japanese collegiate teams playing American football in Tokyo and Osaka.

Utah State Coach Chuck Mills first thought of a possible trip to Japan for his team when he made a clinic appearance in the Orient in the summer of 1970. Mills returned to Japan last summer and with help from former Utah State Aggie Chris Pella, who is stationed in Guam.

Approval to play the two games was based on the following conditions:

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If invited to a post season football game, Utah would have

Grad student captures first in canyon race

Eddie Cadena, a graduate student here, won the first annual Foothill Canyon Road Run on Saturday.

Cadena, a member of Athletics in Action (AIA) is a former member of the Mustang cross country team and one of Utah State's better marathon runners in the West.

His winning time was 31:36. The Mustangs held the next three places led by Dale Horton also in 31:40, Mike Brubaker at 31:46 and Russ Walline at 31:52.

The six mile course wound uphill for three miles and then downhill for three more miles.

Rene Bolly, Mustang cross country coach, indicated the event would be an annual competition.

Flag changing at U.N. marks the end of an era

United Nations (UPI)—The flag of Communist China was raised for the first time Monday in front of the United Nations headquarters.

The red and gold banner was hoisted between the flags of Chile and Colombia in the long row of 151 flags for U.N. members lining First Avenue.

The normal ceremony for new members was not observed because Peking considers its membership "restoration of the lawful rights of China," not new membership.

The flag is simple. It has five stars; one large star circled by four smaller ones in the upper left corner of a red field.

The stars symbolize the five nationalities or cultures of China. The flag's position outside the U.N. was determined Sunday when Peking sent a telegram to U.N. Secretary General Thant asking to be listed on the roster of nations as "China, People's Republic of.

A delegation from Peking is expected at the U.N. soon but no official word has been released concerning the specific date.