Local ACLU, NOW say abortion rights 'dwindling'

By Sharon Sherman
Story Writer

This year marks the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights and the 16th anniversary of the legalization of abortion, yet challenges to both have increased in the past decade and will continue to do so, said the president of the local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union during an open forum Thursday.

"1989 will be the most important year for reproductive freedom since 1973," Janet Benshoof over again that rights are slowly dwindling.

The open forum, attended by about 30 people, was sponsored by the local chapter of the ACLU in celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. The discussion focused on the issue of women's reproductive rights. The 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade legalized a woman's right to abortion. The decision may be overturned by Webster v. Reproductive Health Services, Inc. That case is scheduled to be heard by the Court April 26.

"There is a strong possibility that the Court will deal another bloody nose to the Fourth Amendment when it decides on the challenge to Roe," Alberts said. "The potential damage will not be exclusively to women, but to children and families as well."

According to a prepared summary on the upcoming case, written by Janet Benshoof, director of the National ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project, "1989 will be the most important year for reproductive freedom since 1973.

"If the Court goes so far as to renounce privacy, the decision would have broad ramifications for reproductive health care generally and could place all constitutional rights — including freedom of speech, freedom of religion and equal protection of the laws — in jeopardy." At one point during the 90-minute open forum, Renshaw asked the audience, "What's going to happen next when they start taking away your right to your own body? Is it going to be

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Diablo staff shuts down Unit 2, works to solve 14 problem areas

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (AP) — Pacific Gas & Electric Co. officials said they're working to correct problems at the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant that were identified by federal regulators in a report released this week.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission pinpointed 14 problem areas at the plant, saying Diablo Canyon engineers did incomplete and inadequate work. NRC investigators also found communications among engineers so bad that important work went undone.

"We're going to promptly and aggressively take the appropriate corrective actions," said PG&E spokesman Ron Rutkowski.

In an unrelated action, Rutkowski said Friday that plans to shut down the Unit 2 reactor at Diablo Canyon were proceeding as scheduled, and that the prolonged shut-down process should be completed early Saturday.

The utility needs to repair a valve in the reactor cooling system, officials said.

The valve, which helps regulate the water pressure in the reactor cooler, has been slowly leaking at a rate below the limit allowed by the NRC, said John Townsend, Diablo Canyon plant manager.

"Although the situation in no way affects the safety of plant employees or the public, we decided to shut down Unit 2 to make the necessary repairs because the leaking has not improved," he said.

Meanwhile, the NRC report found that most of the problems were the least serious of those listed in its four-level rating system, while as many as four problems were up one more notch in severity on the third level.

The most serious of those four was a failure of PG&E's San Francisco office to get the word out to engineers about work that

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Fire destroys car at Madonna

Weekend shoppers are unable to extinguish the blaze

By Mike McMillan
Reporter

A couple of unlucky shoppers got more than they bargained for Saturday afternoon at Madonna Plaza.

Greg and Betty Lintner of Arroyo Grande were leaving J.J. Newberry when they saw that their car was on fire. Lintner managed to save valuables from the cab of their late-'70s Ford Mustang as smoke poured from under the hood.

Nobody was injured in the incident, which occurred at about 4:20 p.m. in front of Lucky's supermarket.

Bystanders' efforts to put out the fire with a small extinguisher failed. Within about three minutes, a unit from the San SLO Fire, back page
Grass isn’t greener over there

The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence until you get over there and step in the cow dung.

In other words, be thankful for what you’ve got. Don’t think about what you haven’t got.

But this is all easier said than done. I walk around the all the time saying “I wish, I want, I wish, I want, I wish” (say that fast to get the full effect).

Think about the things that you want. Money comes to mind right away for me. What is money? Just a green ink on paper. But it has such a hold on us.

Ever notice on the back of the dollar bill that little spider dangling from the web? What’s a spider and web doing on a dollar bill? Was the Illustrator making some sort of personal statement about how we are caught in money’s greedy little web? I enjoy subtle wit. (Note to readers: if you can’t find the spider, send me the dollar and I’ll send it and charge the appropriate fee for finding it, $1.)

And who doesn’t want to win the Lotto? When people ask me what my major is I tell them journalism. And then we share a look that says “there isn’t any money in journalism, what the hell are you in?”

Then explain that my minor is the Lotto and we, of course, laugh in our poverty.

Money is one thing, concert is another. The two are sometimes confused.

It has been said that the love of money is the root of all evil. I might add that love of our culture (facetious kind) should probably be put on the list as well.

The self, that enigmatic entity, exists off an endless supply of Doritos and Dr. Pepper while seeking to explain the mysteries of an increasingly enigmatic universe.

If you eat you than I am probably three-fourths monosodium glutamate and one-fourth artificial coloring.

But you know we’re not entirely what we eat. Inside, we float somewhere on top of that chemical mixture of fast food and heartburn.

And that’s why we think the grass is greener. Isn’t that just another way of saying “I wish, I want, I wish” (say that fast to get the full effect).

One solution might be to tear down the fence and make one big green field. If the grass is brown when you’re standing, you can always buy that green grass spray paint from the nursery and paint it.

If you’re really enterprising, you can collect all those cow patties and start a fertilizer business.

Meanwhile, keep playing that Lotto.

Challenges benefits society

Editor — Capitalism is a purely economic system whereby any one is allowed to trade freely without force. The question is not, “Why hasn’t capitalism provided for the poor and the homeless?” but rather, “Why haven’t the poor and homeless done something about their condition?”

If there are any doubts about capitalism, ask yourself what would happen to our economy, welfare and freedom if all the producers who live by capitalism were taken away. It is not hard to understand that those who have produced for their own benefit have done more for society than any social system. As witness: Carnegie and his steel, Ford and his autos, Vanderbilt and his railroads. Men thrived under capitalism. What did they get? Wealth. What did society get? Ease of transportation, smaller work weeks, more jobs and more leisure time.

William F. Schultz

ETME
Activists, scientists argue use of animals for food, research

By John Kesecker

An animal by-product specialist said in a forum Thursday night that animal rights activists only "try to create problems, not solve them." Billie Hart said her statement on animal welfare in agriculture before a crowd of more than 70 people.

Hart and Ken Ellis, animal scientist from UC Davis, debated with Linda Hall, founder of Reach Out for Animal Rights (ROAR).

"Raising animals for food is abuse as far as I'm concerned," said Hart to the overwhelming pro-animal agriculture audience.

Hall said what concerns her is the use of animals for medical research.

"They just try to create problems, not solve them," said the fiery Hart. "The only part of the animal they don't partake of is the red meat." Hart explained how animal by-products are intrinsic to the production of basic necessities and play a big role in the nation's favorite pastimes like baseball and football. Hart was also a nurse for 30 years and says animal research has done a lot of good in the medical field.

She says products like synthetic insulin have saved many lives, but she would not have been possible without the use of animal by-products and animal research.

"They will never stop supplying animal-made insulin," Hart said. "It's the gift of life from the animal to the human need. Humans aren't the sole beneficiaries of animal research either," citing that animal research has helped to control feline leukemia, rabies and arthritis in animals.

Ellis added that if there are abuses in the way animals are treated, those problems will be tackled head-on.

According to Ellis, scientists are already working on new methods of branding and castrating (which helps to limit unwanted breeding and fighting) livestock.

Other practices, such as ropping and de-horning of animals, have come under increasing attack by animal rights groups.

"As our society changes and people have more knowledge about agriculture, there becomes a need for educational programs to show people why these practices are done," said Ellis.

Forum organizer Ethan Hirsch said, "The forum was set up to educate and allow people to see all the different sides of animal agriculture."

The forum was sponsored by Cal Poly's Student Ag Council.

Calendar

April 15. For more information call 756-5828.

The Craft Center is open! Hours are from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Keep an eye out for new craft classes that will be starting soon.

Tuesday

Today is Alternate Transportation Day so let's get healthy and ride a bike!

- AHGGGGG! What an UGLY bike! Join the Ugly bike contest in the CUU Plaza at 11 a.m.

- KCPR will host an on-air discussion about substance abuse with Cal Poly Peer Health Educators from 7 to 9 p.m. Call in with your questions and comments, 544-4601.

Bangladesh bans magazine over image of Mohammed

The government seized copies of John F. Kennedy," will show at 7:30 pm in the Cal Poly Auditorium. Fifty students are expected to provide creative and innovative ideas for improving the effectiveness of the City's government. You will be hired as a Staff Analyst in the unclassified Office Service.

To qualify for this position, you must have completed a Master's Degree Program in Public Administration or a closely related field. The deadline is July 6, 1989. To apply, please send your resume, along with the names and numbers of three references (one of which must be a faculty member), official graduate and undergraduate transcripts and a 3-page statement of why you are seeking this position to Mr. Bob Allen, City of San Jose Personnel Department, Telephone: (408) 531-1937, Room 215, San Jose, CA 95110. Final hiring date: Tuesday, May 16, 1989. We are an equal opportunity employer.
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Health secretary orders revision of U.S. sex survey

HHS probe to study American habits to combat AIDS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health Secretary Louis Sullivan, responding to criticism from budget director Richard Darman, ordered public health officials on Friday to revive a survey that would probe the sexual lives of thousands of Americans.

Sullivan said he was acting to ensure that the federal government does not improperly intrude into the most personal aspects of millions of heads, balancing the need to gain a better understanding of how the deadly AIDS virus is being spread.

In a statement issued by his office Friday evening, the secretary said his "initial review of the survey instrument does indicate to me potential problems with the intent and content of the questions." He said he ordered the Public Health Service to conduct a "thorough review and revision" of the survey to assure it is scientifically sound and "sensitive and appropriate to the proper role of government in gathering information of the most personal nature."

Sullivan acted after Darman told him in a Thursday letter: "I have a great deal of difficulty understanding how many of the questions are related to essential public interests." Darman asked Sullivan to review the survey questions "personally" and if still wants study to go forward after he, the White House budget office "still cannot stand in the way." Sullivan, noting that the survey was submitted to Darman's office before he took over as head of the Department of Health and Human Services in March, said he would conduct a "thorough and sensitive and appropriate to the proper role of government in gathering information of the most personal nature."

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Disabled gymnast stars at championships

By Michael J. Levy
Staff Writer

While Cal Poly's men's gymnastics club was busy placing sixth in this weekend's National Championships, the star of the day was a gymnast from Norridge, in addition to being a member of a Division II national championship team, for Cortland State beat out defending national champion East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, 264.45 to 261.1. The Mustangs had eight All-American performers for the individual finals in the floor exercise.

Daniels, who finished the day with two firsts and a fifth place, suffers from arthrogryposis, a joint disease which confines him to a wheelchair. But in addition, Daniels now can boast of being a member of a Division II national championship team, for Cortland State beat out defending national champion East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, 264.45 to 261.1. The 264 points racked up by the Red Dragons set a Division II record.

In winning the all-around Curris scored a 54.85, more than a point ahead of second-place finisher Kevin Ramos of ESU. Cal Poly's best all-around performer was star with a score of 4.95 in the parallel bars final, and a 9.25 in the pommel horse competition, both of which left him in a tie for first. He also scored an 8.8 in the still rings, putting him in a tie for fifth.

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KISSING

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Clark and Negroni, both Cal Poly graduating physical education seniors, have been dating for three years. "The standing and the jump­
ing up and down was the hardest part," said Turner. Negroni said the air was contested while shopping at Wet Seal one day and encouraged Turner to give it a try.

It was hard for many passersby not to avoid the smooshing couples. An unidentified older couple said, "We've never seen a contest like that before." Small children with their parents couldn't help but stare and giggle.

All participating couples received complimentary T­shirts commemorating the event.

A balloon relay contest at the end determined the winner. For winning the contest Turner received $50 and Negroni, a $1,000 shopping spree at Wet Seal. "The $500 is the money I need for tuition," said Turner.

This is the second time Wet Seal has held this kissing event. Last August at the opening of its Chico store, the winning couple later became engaged.

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needed to be done on the plant’s ocean-water cooling system. A letter sent in 1983 from San Francisco to the plant was never followed up on, the report said. But PG&E said it has changed the way engineers communicate with each other, and now San Francisco engineers follow up on instructions sent to the plant.

"We've trying," said Bryant Giffin, assistant plant manager at Diablo. "We recognize that (communication) had been and is still a problem. We're trying to improve communication within our own organization and the guys in San Francisco are trying to do the same thing ... I think it has improved."
LONDON (AP) — The last national newspaper on Fleet Street, once London’s rambunctious newspaper row, made its final press run there Saturday as Brit­ish journalism traded the type­writers’ clatter for the quiet of high technology.

Behind the gleaming, black glass facade of the art deco Ex­press building, reporters, editors and technicians crated the con­tent, glanced, packed up their memories, and sent off the Fleet Street edition of the Sun­day Express before moving to new headquarters.

When the last bundle of pages was tied up and dispatched around the country, all was silent where for decades typewriters clacked, linotype machines rattled, and presses hummed.

Express Newspapers group is moving only a few hundred yards across the River Thames to a new, 10-story building with computers and other modern newspaper technology.

But the site is a million square feet of the noise exuberance of Fleet Street after 89 years ago, when the Daily Ex­press was the new kid on the block. The Sunday Express was founded by Lord Beaverbrook in 1918, and its celebrated building went up in 1931.

The British are avid newspaper readers. For nearly 300 years, the country’s national papers were all published on or near Fleet Street. The short, crowded street and adjoining warren of alleys and hidden courtyards were abuzz around the clock with journalists rushing to meet deadlines.

The national newspapers have moved away one by one to com­puterized facilities since publisher Rupert Murdoch began the exodus in 1967. That year, his four newspapers — The Times, The Sunday Times, The Sun and The News of The World — moved to the developing Docklands, breaking the hold of unions fighting high-technology encroachments on their jobs.

For Express journalists, the changes will be dramatic.

"A lot of the processes we’re using here tonight were much the same as they were in the 1950s," news editor Henry MacRory said Saturday night as the final edi­tion went to bed. “It was very much typewriters — and pretty old typewriters at that.

"There are crates, thousands of them I should think, in every of­fice, packed up with all the clutter we’re taking across with us: telephone books, old contacts books, stories you’ve kept, all the memorabilia of Fleet Street."

The old Express building has been bought by The Guardian Exchange Group and a Japanese property developer for $136 million. They plan to use it as an office building, but its black and chrome facade will be remain in place under a historic preserva­tion order.

The last edition of the broadsheet from the old plant carries a brief farewell that reminds readers of Fleet Street’s nicknames — "Grub Street" and "Street of Shame."

"But we were never ashamed of it — or not often," the news­paper said.
Poly grabs a second in ti
Clockwise from far left: Mimi Phane gets some airtime, thumbs up to Marcy Lacert. Travis keeps her eye on the announcement of team competition winners. Amy

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As she vaults to second place, Karen Travis in midflight on the uneven bars. Coach Rivera gives a thumbs up. The Mustangs celebrate their second place finish. The Lady Gymnasts relax before Reardon contemplates her floor exercise routine. Julie Bolen displays her strength on the beam.

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DNA may help solve crimes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Criminals convicted of certain violent crimes should have blood drawn for genetic identification to help solve future crimes many are certain to commit, state Attorney General John Van de Kamp said.

So-called genetic fingerprinting can be a powerful tool for investigating and prosecuting violent crimes, Van de Kamp told a news conference Friday in support of legislation proposed by Sen. Gary K. Hart, D-Santa Barbara.

Van de Kamp cited a federal study showing nearly two-thirds of all prisoners in California who are convicted of murder, rape or burglary are arrested for new crimes within three years of their release.

"We can't keep these people longer than the law allows. But we can do more to make sure that they are caught and shipped straight back to prison as fast as possible if they commit new crimes," he said.

Hart's legislation would require state prison officials to take blood samples from prison inmates convicted of murder, assault or battery who give blood samples. Sex crime convictions would be required to take DNA samples.

The samples would be subjected to DNA analysis. DNA, or desoxynucleic acid, contains each person's unique genetic code. Under Hart's bill, the analysis would be stored in a computerized database that could be searched by law enforcement agencies.

"The information could be useful in linking a suspect to a crime in which blood, semen, hair or other kinds of tissue were left behind," said Hart. "Rape investigations, in particular, could benefit from this." The information could also be used to link a suspect to a crime in which the victim did not benefit from the DNA-DNA matching system, Hart said.

The samples would be stored in a computerized database that could be searched by law enforcement agencies.

"This database will be a powerful tool for the law enforcement community and it will help us solve more crimes," said Hart.

50 'Project Rescuers' arrested

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Police arrested about 50 anti-abortion protesters who blocked a medical building Saturday during a demonstration that drew 350 activists on both sides of the abortion issue.

More than 70 officers carrying batons arrested members of Project Rescue, San Diego's largest pro-life group, outside the abortion clinic. The group was arrested for investigation of felony charges, including conspiracy, police said. Project Rescue is affiliated with Operation Rescue.

The Medical Evaluation Center houses a number of dental and medical offices, including that of Dr. Donald Byers, who gets referrals for abortions from Planned Parenthood, Cohen said.

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WASHINGT0N (AP) — Oliver North, testifying in his own defense, says top-level Reagan aides and President Reagan himself put him in charge of keeping the National Security Council staff off the Contras and ordered him to maintain total secrecy about the operation.

The CIA had been supplying the Contras, but by October 1984 when Congress had cut it off, one of the CIA's military aid "every bit of that CIA responsibility had been passed on to me." North told the jury at his criminal trial Thursday.

Aide says Wright asked him to falsify hours spent on book

WASHINGT0N (AP) — House Speaker Jim Wright asked a former aide to "help him out" by signing a sworn statement that the aide volunteered to work on Wright's book and had done so after having worked on other projects, according to testimony to the ethics committee studying the speaker's finances.

The aide's account, disputed Friday by the probe's sources familiar with the probe, is the latest revelation to emerge from the probe of alleged improprieties by Wright that has tarnished his reputation and threatened his leadership of the chamber.

Sources familiar with the deposition of the former aide, Mr. Coxodoto, said he told the committee that Wright also asked him to sign an affidavit in June 1985, the month before the aide was meeting early in 1985, to help sell the book, "Reflections of a Public Man."

Mark Johnson, Wright's press spokesman, dismissed Coxodoto's account as that of a disgruntled former employee.

The committee, which began investigating Wright last June, has narrowed its focus to charges that Wright used bulk sales of the book to circumvent House limits on outside income from speaking and writing fees, and that he improperly accepted "gifts" from a Fort Worth business partner who had a financial interest in legislation before Congress but according to sources familiar with the probe.

The committee wrapped up its second week of deliberations Friday and expected to reach some conclusions in the case next week.

PAC campaign spending hits all-time high of $349.6 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — Publicscrutiny by special-interest groups shot to an all-time high of $49.6 million in the last election, the Federal Election Commission said Saturday.

Outlays by 4,828 political action committees, many of them formed by special-interest groups that lobby Capitol Hill, rose 5 percent in the last two years over its mark in the comparable 1985-86 period, the FEC said.

That did represent a slowing of growth in campaign spending by special-interest groups, which previously had been charted at 22 percent, the FEC said.

That was from a 4,628 political action committees in 1988, "It was basically a handoff to the campaign organization."

The FEC's annual financial report on political action committees (PACs) said that PACs, formed by corporations, labor unions and other organizations to raise money for political contributions.

Under federal law, PACs may give each candidate a maximum of $5,000 for each primary, runoff and general election.

Individual contributions are limited to $1,000 each for primaries, runoffs and general elections.

In 1987-88, $1.2 billion overall was spent on campaigns for Congress and president, including money from the federal government for individuals, political parties and PACs. PACs accounted for about 28 percent, according to commission figures.

During 1987-88, the PACs put 74 percent of their money into campaigns, while in the previous two-year period 68 percent went into getting the candidates elected, the report said.

Challengers seized 12 percent of the PAC money in the last election compared to 14 percent in 1986.

Randy Huwa, a spokesman for Common Cause, a Washington-based group that advocates overhaul of the campaign financing system, said that the PAC money spent on congressional winners also rose last year.

"That went up from $101 million in 1986 to $122 million in 1988, a 17 percent increase," Huwa said. Of the $122 million, $88 million went to candidates who were elected in 1988 are more indebted to PACs than any class in history, so I don't see that necessarily as indicating that growth is slowing.

In addition to providing campaign with direct contributions limited in size, PACs can spend unlimited amounts on behalf of candidates. They can produce and air television commercials. The law requires that such an effort must be notified by or coordinated with the campaign organization.
Parliament lifts seven-year ban on Solidarity

Jaruzelski's vote reflects dramatic policy reversal

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish leader who banned Soli­darity in 1981, voted with other parliament members Friday to lift the legal barriers on the trade union.

The parliament also voted to institute a strong presidency and create the East bloc's first dem­ocratically elected parliament chamber — part of the economic and trade union reforms sealed Wednesday following six weeks of talks between the Solidarity-led opposition and communist authorities.

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The Sejm, or parliament, lifted the last legal barriers to Solidarity, meaning the union can go to court as early as next week to register itself.

It marks the end of the period of repression that began with the Dec. 13, 1981, imposition of mar­tial law.

Sejm deputies passed six bills putting into law an agreement on political, economic and trade union reforms sealed Wednesday between the Solidarity-led op­position and communist authorities.

"Historic, a turning point," said Jaruzelski, who likely will become president, in referring to the changes enacted Friday.

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The Sejm deferred action on another legislative motion in the spirit of reform.

Parliament member Ryszard Bender called for changing the country's name from the "The Polish People's Republic" to the simpler pre-World War II ver­sion, "The Republic of Poland."

Lawmakers, however, over­whelmingly enacted constitu­tional changes creating a demo­cratically chosen Senate and the post of president.

They approved the trade union law reinstating Solidarity by a vote of 339-4 with 43 abstentions.

Also passed overwhelmingly were laws on elections to the Se­jm; elections to the new Senate; the right to form associations; and legalizing farmers' unions, enabling the re-emergence of Rural Solidarity.

Rural Solidarity was banned along with Solidarity after the 1981 crackdown.

Jaruzelski, sitting in a section above most of the deputies, raised his hand perfunctorily to vote "yes."

There was little suspense in the proceedings since the Communist Party has a strong grip on the Sejm and already had agreed to the legislation.

The only surprise was Bender's suggestion the country's name be changed back to "The Republic of Poland," dropping the adjective, "People's."

"The nation will not agree any longer with the strange-sounding name of the state imposed during the period of Bierut-Stalinist distortions," Bender said, referr­ing to the now-discarded

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Boleslaw Bierut, a loyal Stalinist who led Poland from 1947 until his death in 1956. Bender later agreed to allow his motion to be referred to a special commission considering a new constitution.

Jaruzelski's vote to lift the ban on Solidarity concluded his dramatic change of course in the past eight years.

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JOY turns to despair

WINDHOEK, Namibia (AP) — It was meant to be a week of celebration, a joyous confirmation that long-delayed independence finally was on its way.

Instead, the bloodiest fighting of Namibia's 23-year bush war erupted, making a mockery of a cease-fire, jeopardizing the credibility of a U.N. monitoring operation, and killing scores of young guerrillas before they could savor the independence for which they had fought.

In the war-ravaged northern region of Ovamboland, where most of the insurgents' supporters live, a dusk-to-dawn curfew is back in force after a seven-week lull, and deep-rooted cynicism about the prospects for independence from South Africa has returned.

There is agreement on what precipitated the clashes — the presence of hundreds of well-armed South-West Africa People's Organization guerrillas in northern Namibia on April 1, the day that the U.N.-supervised truce was to have taken effect.

But why it happened — after six months without major hostilities — remains in dispute. Why would SWAPO risk confrontation on the very day that the U.N.-supervised truce was to have taken effect.

The bloodiest clashes — the fighting of Namibia's 23-year war — erupted Saturday in hopes of boosting their collectively sagging fortunes.

The formation of the new Democratic Party is an attempt to broaden the political base of white liberals, who have suffered repeated setbacks in recent years. "The party commits itself to the establishment of a genuine South African democracy which rejects race as its basis, (and) protects the human dignity and liberty of all its citizens," said Willem de Klerk, a leading member of the new party.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, who has declared himself an environmentalist, has found his first few weeks in office full of environmental headaches and criticism that the fresh breeze he promised may be little more than stale air.

"The honeymoon isn't over, but I think we're in a shaky period," says Jack Lorenz, president of the Issak Walton League, when assessing the Bush administration's record in protecting the environment and natural resources.

While Bush is given good marks on some environmental issues, there has been broadening criticism of the way the administration has dealt with massive oil spill in Alaska, its attitude toward oil exploration in environmentally sensitive areas and on some key sub-Cabinet appointments to posts involving the environment and conservation.

Environmentalists still applaud the selection of William Reilly, a lifelong conservationist, as head of the Environmental Protection Agency; a decision to work aggressively for revisions in federal clean air laws including provisions to combat acid rain; a decision to post international for 100 percent elimination by the end of the year of chlorofluorocarbons, a chemical blamed for depleting high-altitude ozone; and for Reilly to intervene in building the controversial Two Forks dam in Colorado.

Nevertheless, some of the optimism expressed by environmentalists when Bush took office in January has soured.

"Clearly we've got problems on our hands. And it looks like a long siege is at hand," Michael McCloskey, chairman of the Sierra Club, said last week as the leaders of nine major environmental and conservation groups chastised the Bush administration for a number of personnel decisions and its response to the Alaska oil spill.

The complaint was that Bush was moving quickly enough to take control for the oil spill cleanup in Alaska from the Exxon Corp., whose tanker ran aground and tore open in pristine waters.

"I don't think we're moving quickly enough to prove any sale of Eastern, given that takeover specialist Eastern back to profitability."

The two sides met most of the day Friday in sessions described one source as "highly preliminary" and focused primarily on the language of the United Airlines group's tentative agreement to buy Eastern from Texas Air Corp.

Both talks were scheduled to resume today, a union source said it was unlikely any deal would be struck during the negotiations.

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Bush receives mixed environmental marks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eastern Airlines is flying the bare-boned schedule it has kept since a strike began last month while its three unions are negotiating for new contracts.

"CVS made the difference be­cause the chorion cells taken from the chorion, a part of the developing placenta. The chorion is covered with small projections called the villi. These contain cells taken from the chorion have been genetically identical with the fetus. By gently suctioning sam­ples of these villi, a doctor is harvesting the blueprint of the child, without actually touching the fetus.

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