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In Geneva, Secretary Of State James Baker and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz fail to avert war in the Persian Gulf. The two met for more than six hours in a hotel meeting room, trying to find a diplomatic solution to the gulf crisis.



Congress votes to authorize U.S. troops to attack Iraq. The vote in both houses supports Bush and frees troops to attack Iraq.

War with Iraq begins as hundreds of American, British, Kuwaiti and Saudi Arabian warplanes bomb strategic targets in Iraq and parts of occupied Kuwait. The massive offence was led by U.S. F-15 fighter-bombers based in Saudi Arabia. "The liberation of Kuwait has begun"

announced President Bush shortly after the attack began.

CNN gets high reviews in its coverage of the Persian Gulf War during its first hours, blitzing CBS, NBC and ABC. Dramatic audio could be heard from correspondents John Holliman, Bernard Shaw and **Peter Arnett** from the Al Rashid Hotel in Baghdad.



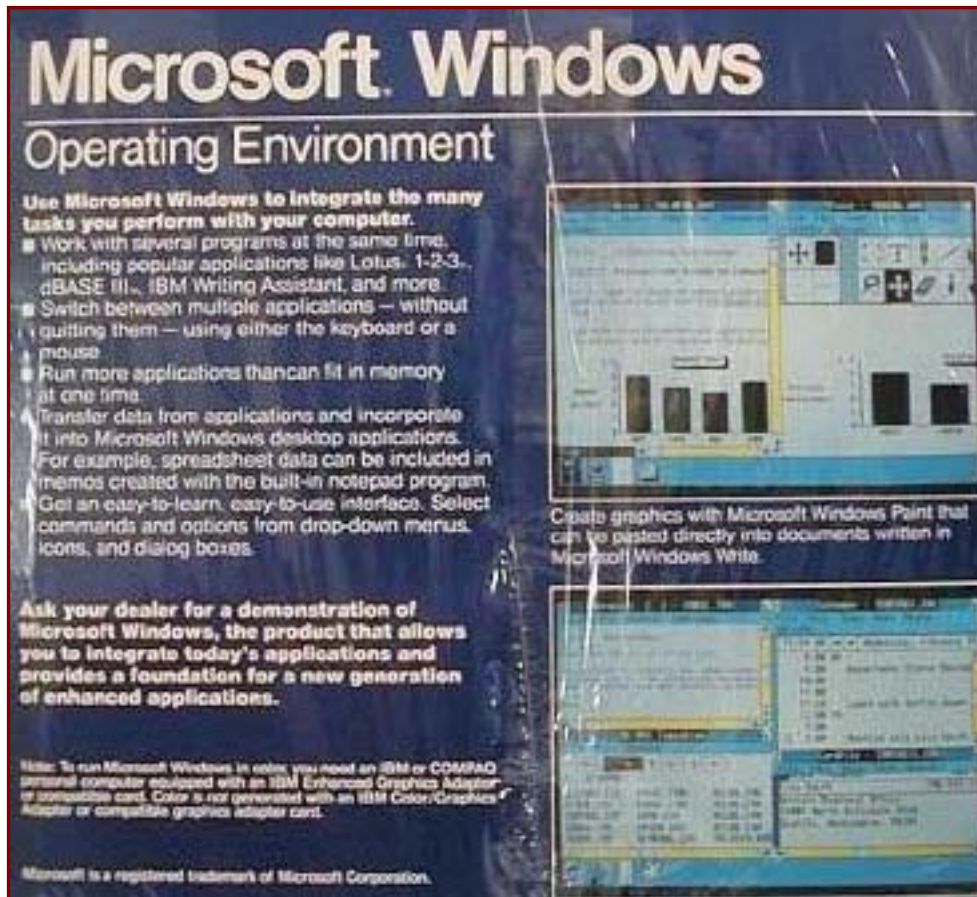
First lady Barbara Bush slams into a tree while coasting on inner tubes with her grandchildren at Camp David and suffers a minor break in her left leg. Movie star Arnold Schwarzenegger was with the group as well. "No damage to the tree" commented the President.

At the consumer electronics show in Las Vegas, Philips introduces the Digital Compact Cassette player (DCC) and proclaims it as rival to the digital audiotape. Unlike a DAT tape, The DCC is the same size as a regular cassette tape.

Microsoft unveils a new version of its Excel spreadsheet program for PC's. The new version takes better advantage of Windows 3.0. Lotus, Excel's biggest spreadsheet rival, isn't expected to have a Windows version of its market-leading 1-2-3 spreadsheet until the middle of the year. Microsoft announced the new version in Boston, near Lotus' headquarters in Cambridge.

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**Microsoft Windows**  
Operating Environment

Use Microsoft Windows to integrate the many tasks you perform with your computer.

- Work with several programs at the same time, including popular applications like Lotus 1-2-3, dBASE III, IBM Writing Assistant, and more.
- Switch between multiple applications — without quitting them — using either the keyboard or a mouse.
- Run more applications than can fit in memory at one time.

Transfer data from applications and incorporate it into Microsoft Windows desktop applications. For example, spreadsheet data can be included in memos created with the built-in notepad program. Get an easy-to-learn, easy-to-use interface. Select commands and options from drop-down menus, icons, and dialog boxes.

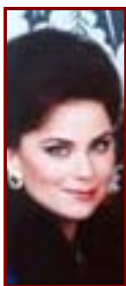
Ask your dealer for a demonstration of Microsoft Windows, the product that allows you to integrate today's applications and provides a foundation for a new generation of enhanced applications.

Note: To run Microsoft Windows in color, you need an IBM or COMPAQ personal computer equipped with an IBM Enhanced Graphics Adapter or compatible card. Color is not generated with an IBM Color/Graphics Adapter or compatible graphics adapter card.

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Create graphics with Microsoft Windows Paint that can be pasted directly into documents written in Microsoft Windows Write.

**John Goodman** signs a three-picture deal with Universal pictures. Goodman stars in the just about to be released “King Ralph,” where he stars as a Vegas lounge singer who becomes the king of England.



**Delta Burke** of Designing Woman sues the show's producers for breach of contract. The suit claims she was written out of an episode in revenge. The actress wants \$55,000 which she says is her guarantee per show. The actress has been feuding with the producers of the show, Lida Bloodworth-Thomason and Harry Thomason. They claim Burke is difficult to work with.

TV Ratings - Cheers (23.4), 60 Minutes (20.6), Murphy Brown (20.0), Designing Woman (19.9), A Different World (19.4), The Golden Girls (19.3), America's Funniest Home Videos (19.1), Rosanne (18.8), Bob Hope Christmas (18.1), Family Matters (18.1), Full House (18.1), America's Funnies People (18.0),

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Doogie Howser, MD (18.0), The Crosby Show (17.8), Unsolved Mysteries



(17.0), LA Law (16.8), Witness (16.6), Matlock (16.5), Shoot To Kill (16.4), In the Heat Of The Night (16.3), **Major Dad** (16.3), Wings (16.1), Coach (15.8), Hunter(15.6), Rescue 911 (15.5).

Thursday Night TV - (CBS) Top Cops, The Flash, Debut -Good Sports, Knots Landing ... NBC - The Cosby Show, A Different World, Cheers, Wings, L.A. Law ... ABC - Father Dowling Mysteries, Gabriels's Fire, Primetime Live... Fox - The Simpsons, Babes, Beverly Hills 90210.

Good Sports - debut of the series starring Ryan O'Neil and Farrah Fawcett.

Beverly Hills 90210 - Brandon is arrested for drunk driving.

**Hot albums** - "Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em" - **M.C. Hammer**, "To The Extreme" - Vanilla Ice, "Shake Your Money Maker" - The Black Crows, "The Simpsons Sing The Blues" - The Simpsons, "The Immaculate Confession" - Madonna, "Mariah Carey" - Mariah Carey.

**Pop music this week in 1991** - "Love Will Never Do (without you)" - Janet Jackson, "The First Time" - Surface, "High Enough" - Damn Yankees, "Sensitivity" - Ralph Tresvant, "Because I Love You" - Stevie B, "Justify My Love" - Madonna, "Gonna Make You Sweat" - C & C Music Factory, "Play That Funky Music" - Vanilla Ice, "After The Rain" - Nelson, "Just Another Dream" - Cathy Dennis, "Miles Away" - Winger



Country charts - "Forever's As Far As I'll Go" - Alabama, "I've Come To Expect It From You" - George Strait, "Unanswered Prayers" - Garth Brooks.



Kids On The Block, a producer of puppet shows based out of Cumberland, MD sues the pop group "New Kids On The Block" in federal court, accusing the teen idols of using its trademark name and wants the group to come up with a new name to

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boot. The puppet company produces puppet shows for children about physical and social disabilities. They've operated under the name since 1977.

At the movies –

**Lionheart** - Claude Van Damme, Harrison Page



Home Alone

**Greencard** - Gerald Depardieu,  
Andie McDowell

**Kindergarten Cop** - Arnold  
Schwarzenegger

**Dances With Wolves** - Keven Costner

**Mermaids** - Cher, Bob Hoskins, Wynona  
Ryder