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President Reagan says that Jesse Jackson did not break the law in getting American prisoners released from Syria and Cuba and said he is grateful to Jackson for doing “something I couldn’t have done officially.”

The historic York Cathedral in England is severely damaged by a fire, which may have been started by lightning.

The government orders air bags or automatic seat belts in new cars beginning with some 1987 models but said it will let auto makers off the hook if enough states pass mandatory seat belt laws.



He’s not finished – **Gary Hart** says he will lobby uncommitted delegates “every day and every hour” at the San Francisco convention next week in his long-shot campaign for the nomination.

Jesse Jackson says he is winding up his campaign for the presidency feeling shunted aside by Walter Mondale and “white women” on the vice presidential issue, and victimized by Jewish leaders who want “to make me a pariah.”

Walter F. Mondale chooses New York Rep. Geraldine A. Ferraro to be his vice presidential running mate – the first woman to be named to a major political party ticket.

Democratic National Chairman Charles Manatt says that Walter F. Mondale’s bold move of having Geraldine Ferraro on the ticket “is really going to excite the electorate” and could win the election for the Democrats.

The Reagan Administration announces that it will cut off U.S. family planning assistance to international organizations that “perform or actively promote abortion abroad.

**Capt Stephen Townsend** – an American Army paratrooper is badly gored by a 1,100-pound bull during the running of the bulls.

In California - United Farm Workers leader Cesar Chavez launches a new, worldwide



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boycott of non-union –picked grapes to protest the (George) Deukmejian Administration’s “gutting” of what he called “the best labor law of any kind in the United States.”

“Doonesbury” the comic strip by Garry Trudeau is making a comeback after being off the circuit since January of last year.



Passing- Artist Peter Hurd (80). He was painted a **controversial portrait of President Johnson**, who was quoted as saying it was “the ugliest thing I ever saw.”

## Sports –

The USFL is calling their year-end bowl the “Championship Game.” Look for the Arizona Wranglers to face-off with the Philadelphia Stars and ABC will broadcast it primetime on Sunday.

Keith Jackson and Lynn Swann are covering the game from Tampa Stadium.

Two brothers get into a fight with **Lyle Alzado** after they rear-ended his Jaguar in Los Angeles. One of the brothers had to be subdued with electrical darts.



The National League defeats the American League 3-1. Montreal’s Gary Carter and Atlanta’s Dale Murphy hit homers for the NL. National League pitchers Fernando Valenzuela and Dwight Gooden collaborated to strike out six consecutive batters.

John McEnroe defeats Jimmy Connors in the men’s final at Wimbledon.

## Music news –



Passing – **Philippe Wynne**, former lead singer with the Spinners. He collapsed with a heart attack during a performance at Ivey’s nightclub in Oakland, CA. he was 43.

Prince is about to star in a movie called “Purple Rain.” It was independently produced by Prince’s music management firm of Cavallo-Ruffalo-Fargnoli. The semi autobiographical story focuses on Prince’s early performing days.

MTV will air live, a “Purple Rain” party at the Hollywood Palace following a celebrity premiere at Mann’s Chinese Theatre. It’ll happen July 26.

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Evangelist **Jerry Falwell** says that pop stars Michael Jackson and Boy George are not good role models for American youth and “will disappear as one more fad.” Speaking on CBS’ “Face the Nation,” he noted a “trend toward outrageousness in the entertainment world.”

## Television news

Something called “Brothers” becomes the first weekly sitcom produced for pay TV (Showtime). The comedy has strong “gay” overtones and stars Paul Regina, Robert

Walden and Brandon Maggart.

Also coming to HBO another comedy – “The Investigators: Thirty Minutes of Investigative Ticking.” It’s supposed to be a goof/spoof of “60 Minutes.” Coming to HBO, the half-hour drama “The Hitchhiker.”

## Wednesday night television –

CBS – Crossroads, Movie, The New Avengers (late night)

NBC – Double trouble, Jennifer Slept Here, Facts of Life, The Duck Factory, St. Elsewhere, Tonight, David Letterman

ABC – The Fall Guy, Movie, Nightline, Eye on Hollywood

PBS – Castle, National Geographic, Latenight America

Facts of Life – A movie star enrolls at the school.

Tonight Show – Bob Uecker and Richard Harris join Johnny.

## At the movies –

Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom

Breakin

Conan The Destroyer

Karate Kid

Gremlins

Star Trek III – The Search For Spock

Bachelor Party

Cannonball Run

Top Secret

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**More music news** – The Jackson's perform at the first stop of their "Victory" tour – in Kansas City at Arrowhead stadium. It wasn't long before fans found out where Michael Jackson was staying and extra security guards had to be hired to keep weeping fans from riding the elevators up to their idol.