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Hurricane Gilbert - Strong floods are reported on Monterrey Mexico. Four buses carrying about 200 are swept off roads and all are presumed lost.

President Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) is being restructured substantially, according to military and congressional officials. The "Star wars" program has been scaled back in the face of budgets and skeptics.

In the streets of Rangood – soldiers of the new Burmese military government fire on Buddhist monks, students and thousands of other peaceful demonstrators. 150 are dead in the Burma protests.



Japan - **Emperor Hirohito**, the world's oldest and longest reigning monarch is reported in serious but stable condition following blood transfusions. Plans are now being readied for Crown Prince Akihito to take charge of state matters.

The House approves a revision of the nation's pesticide laws. Chemical companies would now be required to pay \$150 million to the Environmental Protection Agency to aid in the review of pesticides whose health and safety effects have not been fully studied. Individual firms would pay less.

Thousands of people rally in Armenia closing businesses and schools in a protest that followed a blood clash between Armenians and Azerbaijanis in a disputed region of the southern Soviet Union.

Capitalist style reforms – The Soviet government threatens to close 31 state-run enterprises or turn them over to private managers if they do not make a profit within six months. A Soviet newspaper also warned that many more firms are on the verge of going under as the reforms introduced in January by Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev Begin to have a real, but somewhat negative impact.

Campaigning – At a New Jersey flag factory, **George Bush** told a rally that "my mission is simple. To build a better America. That simple and that big."



Stung by criticism within his own party that the Republicans took the environmental issue away from him, Michael Dukakis strikes back, and accuses Vice President George Bush of flip-flopping on offshore drilling and of helping to undermine the Clean Water Act.

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Medical – The National Cancer Institute now recommends routine mammography screening for women between 40 and 40.

Sports - The XXIV Olympic Games open in Seoul.

Olympic Games - Three South Korean boxing officials and two assistants are thrown out of their own Olympics for attacking a New Zealand referee in what the sports top international official called “the most disgraceful accident I ever have seen in boxing.”

Cheated? - The U.S. women’s Olympic gymnastics team is beaten for the bronze medal by an East German team that survived because of a penalty called by an East German official setting off a war of words.

Music news –

The Amnesty Tour – the most ambitious rock tour ever launched, gets under way in London. On the five-continent, 18-plus-city tour is Bruce Springsteen, Peter Gabriel and Sting; also Tracy Chapman and N’Dour.



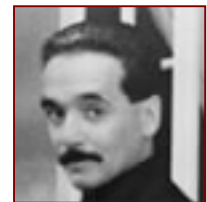
On Fox-TV’s “The Reporters” – **George Michael** is asked directly if he was gay. And that was the lead-off question.

Tracy Chapman’s self-titled debut album has sales of nearly 2 million. She’s getting a lot of play on MTV.

Michael Jackson says he will retire from the live concert scene when his worldwide Bad tour ends Dec. 26 in Tokyo.

Worldwide sales of Jackson’s “Bad” album have topped the 16 million mark.

New York’s Salsa Festival drew some 20,000 with talent such as The Fania All Stars, **Willie Colon**, Cheo Feliciano, Andy Montanez, Celia Cruz and others.



“Tougher Than Leather” – a movie made by and starring Run D.M.C. opens in six Eastern cities. It will not be shown at the Levittown Twin cinema where it was pulled in the wake of a fatal stabbing at a rap concert in nearby Nassau Coliseum last week (Sept 10).

Citing eyewitness accounts, police say eight people were stabbed – three critically and 13 assaulted by a roving gang of 8 to 12 youths. The concert, dubbed Jam ’88 featured Eric B. & Rakim, Kool Moe Dee, Doug e. Fresh & The Get Fresh Crew, Big Daddy Kane, Boogie Down Productions and Biz Markie.

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George Michael is probably the most happening music artist these days.

Radio news – “The Wave” – KTWV Los Angeles which has had no announcers since its debut last year, is hiring five “low-key” announcers, according to program director John Sebastian.

Big news in New York as next week (22) – WQHT (103.5) and WYNY (97.1) will swap dial positions. ‘YNY is country and ‘QHT plays top-40/dance crossover. Also, WFAN will move to 660 on October 1, when its 1050AM signal goes Spanish under a new owner. 66 WNBC will then go away forever.

Entertainment news



Whoopi Goldberg is being added as a semi-regular to “Star Trek: The Next Generation” syndicated TV series.

A jury in Los Angeles determines that actress Valerie Harper was wrongfully fired by Lorimar Television from her TV series “Valerie” and awards her \$1.4 million.

Forbes says Michael Jackson passed Bill Cosby to become the world’s highest-paid entertainer, raking in an estimated \$60 million in 1988. Also this year in millions -

Bill Cosby - \$38

Steven Spielberg - \$41

Sylvester Stallone - \$42

Eddie Murphy - \$35

Charles Schultz - \$33

Bruce Springsteen - \$34



Television news –

The critically panned “USA Today: The Television Show” will be going through changes. The ratings are lower than expected.

NBC is launching CNBC in February. The channel, considered direct competition with Financial News Network, will feature business news and features on weekdays and sports attractions on weekends. It’s the network’s first foray into direct cable TV. They bid to buy 51% of Ted Turner’s Cable News Network, then signed as a partner with Hearst and rival ABC in the 24-hour Arts & Entertainment Cable Network. Finally, NBC leased the Tempo Television cable channel to form CNBC, which will be based in New Jersey.

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Wednesday Night TV –

CBS - Dick Clark Presents, The Equalizer, Wiseguy,
NBC – XIV Summer Olympics
Growing Pains, Head of the Class, The Best of SCTV, Nightline
PBS - Live From Lincoln Center
HBO – Warning: Food May Be Hazardous To Your Health, Coming Attractions,
The Hitchhiker
Showtime – Brothers, Super Dave



Best of SCTV – **John Candy** hosts as the original SCTV cast members reprise their most memorable sketches. With Martin Short, Rick Moranis, Catherine O'Hara, Eugene Levy, Dave Thomas, Harold Ramis Andrea Martin and Joe Flaherty.

Top Albums This Week –

Hysteria – Def Leppard
Appetite For Destruction – Guns N' Roes
He's The D.J., I'm The Rapper – D.J. Jazzy Jeff & The Fresh Prince
Faith – George Michael

Cocktail – Soundtrack
Open up And Say...AHHH – Poison
OU812 – Van Halen
Roll With It – Steve Winwood
Long Cold Winter - Cinderella
Simple Pleasures – Bobby McFerrin
Kick -INXS
Small World – Huey Lewis & The News
Heart Break – New Edition
Richard Marx – Richard Marx
Let It Loose – Gloria Estefan & The Miami Sound Machine
Tracy Chapman – Tracy Chapman
Dirty Dancing – Soundtrack
Don't Be Cruel – Bobby Brown
Whenever You Need Somebody – Rick Astley
Reg Strikes Back – Elton John
Out Of This World – Europe
In Effect Mode – Al. B. Sure
Out of Order – Rod Stewart
Out of the Blue – Debbie Gibson



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NEW KIDS ARE "HANGIN' TOUGH" ... AND TAKIN' OVER!

New Kids On
The Block have
scored big with
"Please Don't Go Girl,"
a serious smash hit with
a street-smart attitude!
Currently scorching CHR
radio, "Please Don't Go
Girl" is No. 1 in these
key markets:

DENVER
ALBANY
ATLANTA
SAN ANTONIO
SAN FRANCISCO
MONTEREY
LAS VEGAS
FRESNO
HONOLULU

And retail sales
are exploding as

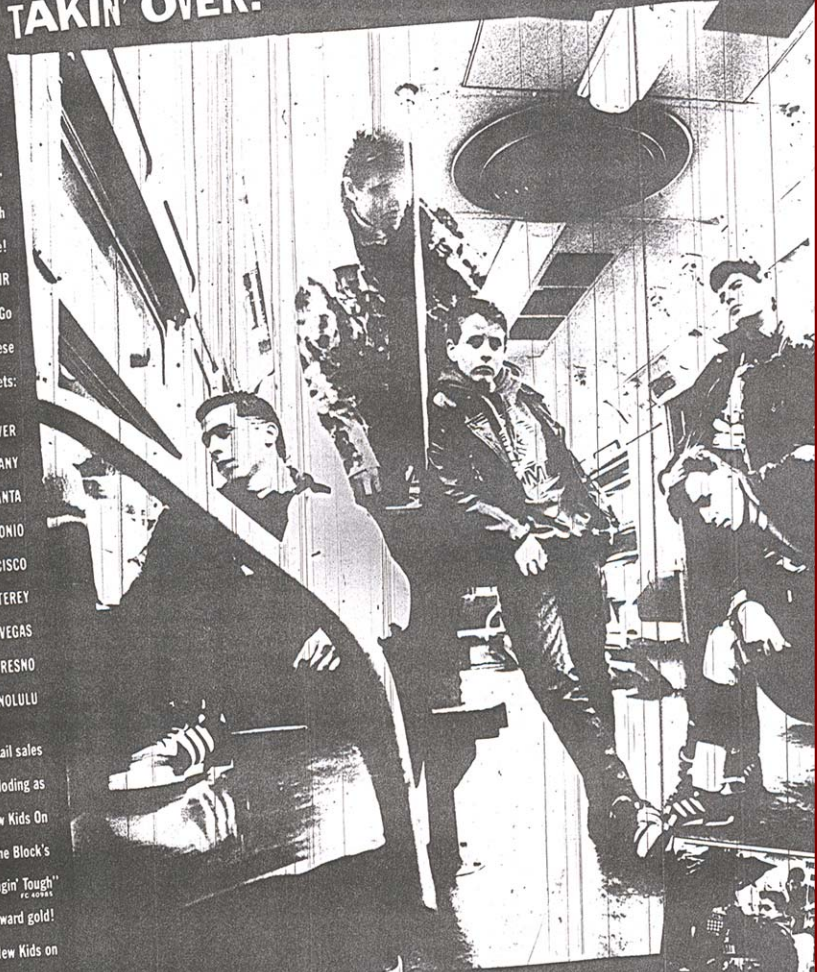
New Kids On
The Block's
"Hangin' Tough"
heads toward gold!
See the New Kids on
tour this fall.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK
The album is
"HANGIN' TOUGH!"

Featuring the smash hit, "Please Don't Go Girl."

On Columbia Cassettes, Compact Discs and Records.

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Hot Hits -

Sweet Child O' Mine – Guns N' Roses

Don't Worry Be Happy – Bobby McFerrin

Simply Irresistible – Robert Palmer

I'll Always Love You – Taylor Dayne

Perfect World – Huey Lewis & The News

One Good Woman- Peter Cetera

Love Bites – Def Leppard

Don't Be Cruel – Cheap Trick

If It Isn't Love – New Edition

It Would Take A Strong Strong Man – Rick Astley

Nobody's Fool – Kenny Loggins

Red Red Wine – UB40

I Hate Myself For Loving You – Joan Jett and the Blackhearts

A Nightmare On My Street – D.J. Jazz Jeff & The Fresh Prince

When It's Love – Van Halen

Please Don't Go Girl – New Kinds On The Block

Fallen Angel – Poison

Don't Be Cruel – Bobby Brown

Top Country –

I Should Be With You – Steve Wariner

Addicted – Dan Seals

Honky Tonk Moon – Randy Travis

Streets of Bakersfield – Dwight Yoakam & Buck Owens

Untold stories – Kathy Mattea

Strong Enough To Bend – Tanya Tucker

Button Off My Shirt – Ronnie Milsap

That's What Your Love Does To Me – Holly Dunn

Don't Give Candy to A Stranger – Larry Boone

We Believe In Happy Endings – Earl Thomas

Conley/Emmylou Harris

Hot Album Rock Cuts –

I'm Not Your Man – Tommy Conwell/Young Rumlbers

Don't You Know What The Night – Stevie Winwood

No Smoke Without A Fire – Bad Company

Love Bites – Def Leppard

Never Tear Us Apart – INXS

MTV MUSIC TELEVISION
Continuous programming 1775 Broadway, New York, NY 10019
ADDS
Gardner Cole, Live It Up
BUZZ BIN
Shriekback, Get Down Tonight Siouxsie & The Banshees, Peek-A-Boo The Sugarbubs, Cold Sweat
SNEAK PREVIEW
Cinderella, Don't Know What You Got ('Til It's Gone)
HEAVY
Aerosmith, Rag Doll Bad Company, No Smoke Without Fire Pat Benatar, All Fired Up Peter Dinklage, One Good Woman Cheap Trick, Don't Be Cruel Def Leppard, Love Bites Europe, Superstitious Guns N' Roses, Sweet Child O' Mine INXS, Never Tear Us Apart Michael Jackson, Another Part Of Me Joan Jett/Blackhearts, I Hate Myself For Loving You Huey Lewis & The News, Perfect World Kenny Loggins, Nobody's Fool (Performance Version) Bobby McFerrin, Don't Worry, Be Happy Midnight Oil, The Dead Heart Robert Palmer, Simply Irresistible Poison, Fallen Angel Scorpions, Believe In Love RED Speedwagon, Here With Me Rod Stewart, Forever Young Van Halen, When It's Love Stevie Winwood, Don't You Know What The Night...
ACTIVE
Britny Fox, Long Way To Love Toni Childs, Don't Walk Away Phil Collins, A Groovy Kind Of Love Tommy Conwell/Young Rumlbers, I'm Not Your Man Erasure, Chains Of Love The Escape Club, Wild Wild West Information Society, What's On Your Mind Robert Plant, Ship Of Fools Sting, They Dance Alone UB40, Red, Red Wine
MEDIUM
Rick Astley, It Would Take A Strong Strong Man Blaze Starr, Jackie Depeche Mode, Strangest Love '88 The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Powerful Stuff The Fat Boys, Are You Ready For Freddy? Femme Fatale, Waiting For The Big One Glenn Frey, True Love Debbie Gibson, Staying Together Hothouse Flowers, Don't Go Collin James, Voodoo Thing Narada, Wild Thing Little Feat, Hate To Lose Your Lovin' Ziggy Marley & The Melody Makers, 'Tumbin' Down New Edition, If It Isn't Love Rockless Sleepers, If We Never Meet Again Salt-N-Pepa, Fastaring E.U., Shake Your Thang Joe Satriani, Always With Me, Always With You Henry Lee Summer, Hands On The Radio Transmission Vamp, Tell That Girl To Shut Up Vinnie Vincent Invasion, Love Kills Vixen, Edge Of A Broken Heart Winger, Madeline Neil Young, Hey Hey
BREAKOUTS
Every Angel, All About Eve Gregg Allman, Slip Away Boy Meets Girl, Waiting For A Star To Fall Circus Of Power, Call Of The Wild Johnny Clegg & Savuka, Take My Heart Away Robert Cray, Don't Be Afraid Of The Dark Cruise Control, No Condom No Sex Joanna Dean, Ready For Saturday Night Frozen Ghost, Round And Round Hunters And Collectors, Back On The Breadline King's X, Shot Of Love Holly Knight, Heart Don't Fail Me Now New Frontier, Under Fire Primitives, Crash Psychodelic Furs, All That Money Wants Rock City Angels, Deep Inside My Heart

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Bad Medicine – Bon Jovi
Let It Roll – Little Feat
Superstitious – Europe
Bring Me Some water – Melissa Etheridge
Hate To Lose Your Lovin' - Little Feat

Top Hits In Britain –



Groovy Kind of Love – Phil Collins
He Ain't Heavy He's My Brother – Hollies
The Harder I Try – Brother Beyond
I Quit – Bros
Teardrops – Womack & Womack
The Only Way is Up – Yaz & The Plastic
Population
The Race – Yello
Megablast/Don't Make Me Wait – Bomb
The Bass

Top movies this week –

A Fish Called Wanda
Die Hard

Moon Over Parador
Nightmare on Elm Street 4
Who Framed Roger Rabbit
The Beast

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ON JULY 3RD,
THE TUNNEL OF LOVE
CONNECTED WITH THE
WORLD.

BRUCE **S**PRINGSTEEN—
LIVE FROM STOCKHOLM—
WAS HEARD BY OVER
13 MILLION AMERICANS
AND IN 15 COUNTRIES
ACROSS 4 CONTINENTS
ON THE DIR RADIO
NETWORK.

CONGRATULATIONS, DIR,
AND THANKS FOR
A GREAT RIDE.
—COLUMBIA RECORDS



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