

NewsBreakers



Iraq orders goodwill cease-fire today

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq on Tuesday announced a unilateral cease-fire in the no-fly zones patrolled by allied aircraft, saying the move was a goodwill gesture toward the Clinton administration.

The ruling Revolutionary Command Council, headed by President Saddam Hussein, said there would be no more attacks on U.S., French or British planes because of the inauguration Wednesday of President-elect Clinton.

The cease-fire goes into effect at 8 a.m. Wednesday (midnight Tuesday EST), the council said.

"The RCC decided the cease-fire beginning Wednesday morning as a gesture of goodwill toward the Clinton administration and through him the American people," the council said in a statement.

Man shoots wife, boy, self in court

DALLAS — A man opened fire Tuesday inside a Dallas County courthouse, shooting his wife and a teen-age boy and then turning the gun on himself as attorneys and others ran for cover, authorities and witnesses said.

"He just came out of nowhere," said Don Presley, a witness. He said he turned when he heard a shot, "then you heard two more gunshots, and everybody was running."

April Foran, a spokeswoman at Parkland Memorial Hospital, said the 26-year-old man and his wife, whose age was unknown, each had single gunshot wounds in the head. A 16-year-old boy was wounded in the leg and was in fair condition.

The couple was on Tuesday's docket for a custody hearing.

Chairman Maxwell to meet Clinton

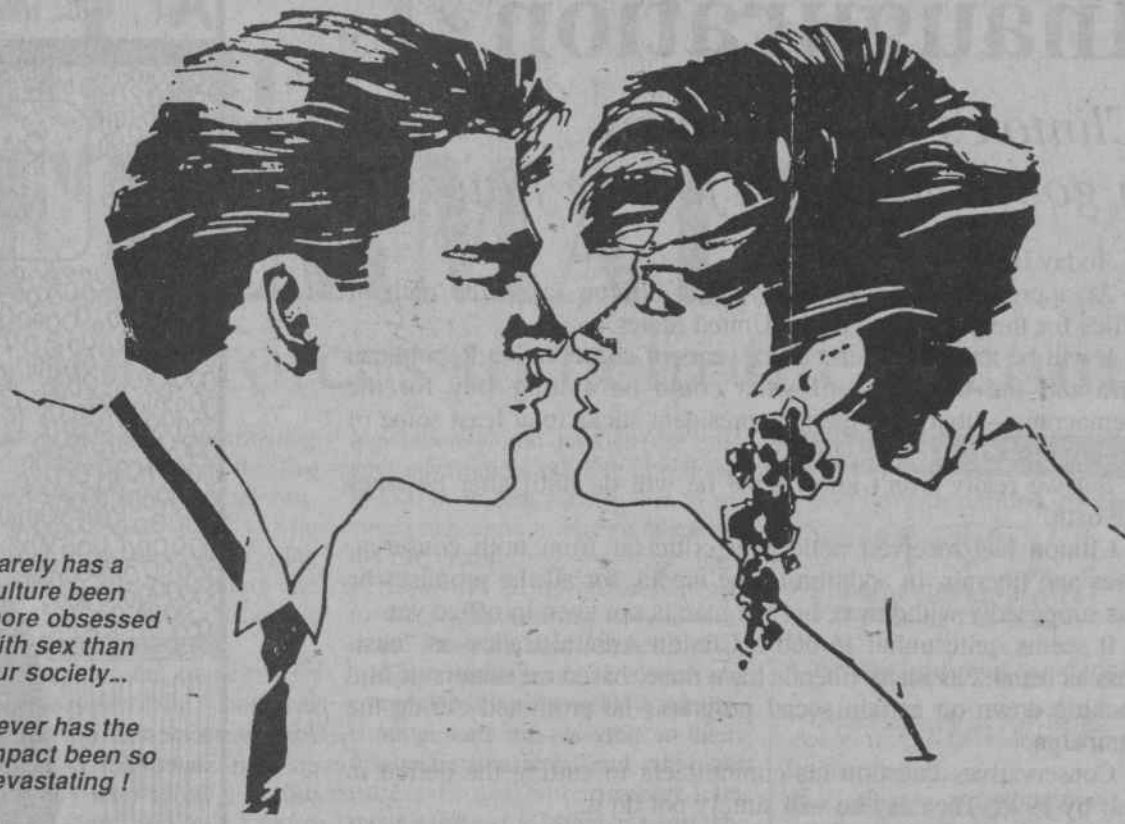
AIKEN — Ronnie Maxwell and his wife get to meet Bill and Hillary Clinton at the White House this week.

The Aiken County Democratic Party chairman's name was one of 50 drawn from 92,000 entries in a U.S. Park Service lottery. They will spend Thursday morning at the White House with the new first family. Vice President Al Gore and his wife Tipper also will attend.

Maxwell and his wife Phyllis will be presidential guests from 9 a.m. to noon for breakfast and a tour of the White House and gardens.

He and his wife attended Tuesday's South Carolina gala in Washington. The ball was hosted by former Governor and Education Secretary-designate Richard Riley.

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