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1. THE SUGALZORRVEST RECEIVED DAILY FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE.
ARTICLES HAVE FOCUSED ON VOLUME OF HARVEST, WHICH PAPERS
SAY IS GREATER THAN NORMAL DESPITE DELAYS CAUSED BY
HEAVY RAINS. SPECIAL EMPHASIS HAS BEEN GIVEN TO CANE-
CUTTING BRIGADES, 151 OF WHICH HAVE NOW PASSED THE "MILLIO

ARROBAS" MARK.

2. THE JOSE MARTI BRITHDAY CELEBRATION CONTINUES TO
RECEIVE DAILY FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE, INCLUDING ANNOUNCEMENT
OF UPCOMING PUBLICATION OF THE FIRST VOLUME OF A CRITICAL
STUDY OF THE WORKS OF MARTI. ALSO ANNOUNCED WAS THE OPEN-
ING OF A MARTI MUSEUM IN HIS RECENTLY RESTORED HOUSE
IN OLD HAVANA. FINALLY THERE APPEARED FRONT-PAGE PHOTOS FOR
THREE DAYS RUNNING OF ARTIFACTS ON DISPLAY IN A MARTI
EXHIBIT NOW UNDER WAY AT THE BELLAS ARTES MUSEUM IN
HAVANA.

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3. THE COLLAPSE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CAPITALIST FINANCIAL SYSTEM IN GENERAL AND THE DIFFICULTIES WITH THE U.S. ECONOMY IN PARTICULAR WERE ALSO HIGHLIGHTED THROUGHOUT THE WEEK. SPECIAL DAILY ATTENTION WAS DEVOTED TO THE TRUCKERS STRIKE IN THE U.S. AND THE VIOLENCE THAT ACCOMPANIED IT. IN CONTRAST TO THE OVERALL DECLINE IN THE U.S. ECONOMY, "GRANMA" NOTED IN TWO SEPARATE ARTICLES THAT THE U.S. ARMS INDUSTRY DID WELL LAST YEAR AND, BECAUSE OF THE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION THEY RECEIVED FROM THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION, THE LARGEST U.S. COMPANIES RECORDED THEIR GREATEST POST-WAR EARNINGS IN 1982.

4. EL SALVADOR AND THE U.S. INVOLVEMENT THERE CAME IN FOR CONTINUED ATTACK DURING THE WEEK WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION FOCUSED ON THE BATTLE FOR BERLIN AND THE CHARGES THAT THE GOES LEFT THE CITY IN RUINS IN ATTEMPTING TO DISLodge THE GUERRILLAS.

5. ALSO HIGHLIGHTED: --- SEVERAL PICES PLAYED UP THE REVELATION THAT **KLAUS BARBIE** RECEIVED MONEY AND HELP FROM THE U.S. WHICH ALLOWED HIM TO ESCAPE TO SOUTH AMERICA AFTER THE WAR. BARBIE, WROTE ROLANDO MENESES IN "GRANMA", WAS USED BY WASHINGTON AS A TOOL IN ITS COLD WAR AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION.

---COSTA RICA RECEIVED SPECIAL ATTENTION WITH EMPHASIS UPON THE FAILURE OF ITS ECONOMY DESPITE EXTENSIVE U.S. ASSISTANCE.

---"BOHEMIA" POINTED TO RURAL CUBA AS THE ECONOMIC FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT TOO RAPID GROWTH OF THE CITIES PLUS THE GOVERNMENT'S SPECIAL PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR, WILL GIVE A SPECIAL ADVANTAGE TO THE COUNTRYSIDE IN YEARS TO COME.

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