

Munich Demonstration Banned

MUNICH — Law enforcement officials on Tuesday banned a weekend neo-Nazi demonstration planned for the eve of the anniversary of "Kristallnacht," when Nazis murdered Jews and destroyed Jewish property.

Counterdemonstrations were announced Tuesday, after which a regional judicial official, Hans-Peter Uhl, banned all protests.

Members of the extreme right National Democratic Party of Germany said the demonstration Saturday was planned to protest what they called "leftist terror" against their organization. (AP)

Hamburg to Form a Coalition

HAMBURG — Six weeks after losing their ruling majority, Hamburg's Social Democrats agreed Tuesday to form a governing coalition with the Greens in a move that could be reflected at national level next year.

Ortwin Runde, the Social Democrat mayor, said his party had "found a clear basis for cooperation in all important issues." He said the Social Democrats and Greens had wrapped up negotiations after 13 rounds of discussion. Under the agreement Hamburg's Senate will be made up of eight members Social Democrats and three Greens.

The two parties plan to sign the coalition treaty Thursday and the new Senate will take office Nov. 12.

In elections on Sept. 21 the Social Democrats lost their majority by falling four points to 36.2 percent while Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats gained five points to 30.7 percent. (Reuters)

Balkans Urge an Era of Peace

AGIA PELAGIA, Greece — Balkan nations called Tuesday for their blood-stained history to be put behind them and be replaced by an era of peace and prosperity.

Greece, Turkey, Romania, Yugoslavia, Albania, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bulgaria and Bosnia-Herzegovina ended a two-day summit meeting on the island of Crete by agreeing to create a framework for economic growth and political cooperation.

"We shall work together to create in our region conditions for the prosperity of our nations in a framework of peace, security, good-neighborliness and stability," they said in a final declaration.

A meeting between the two prime ministers, Costas Simitis of Greece and Mesut Yilmaz of Turkey, on Monday made scant progress, but the Balkan nations all said they were determined to build closer regional ties. (Reuters)

French to Query Fiat Owners

PARIS — The police in France decided Tuesday to question the owners of 40,000 Fiat Unos, one of which could be a mystery car that may have brushed Diana's Mercedes before it crashed, police sources said.

A police lab has determined that white paint chips found on the Mercedes came from a Fiat Uno, and the vehicles under study correspond to the model the Italian carmaker produced from 1983 to 1987, the police sources said on condition of anonymity.

It will take several weeks to question the owners of the cars — and even then the police are not sure that they will come up with the right car.

For weeks, the police have been combing through the records of about 112,000 of the cars registered in the Paris area. However, police have again narrowed the number of vehicles they wish to investigate.

The 40,000 Fiat Unos now under investigation are registered throughout France. The police have begun sending letters to the owners in the Paris region, who will be questioned first.

If the vehicle is not found among those registered in the Paris region, the police will widen their search in a concentric circle out from the capital until they have talked to all the owners of Fiat Unos under investigation. (AP)

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