

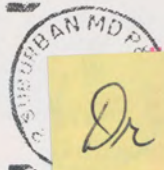
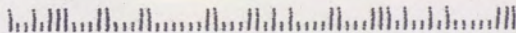
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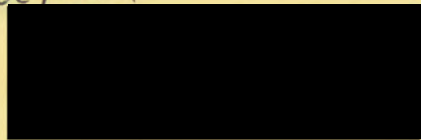


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Dr Lamb?? That's scary!

Pretty fancy
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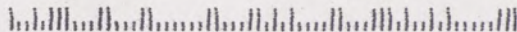
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C-SPAN President and Chief Executive Officer Brian Lamb, center, receives his doctoral hood from Dean Frank J. Crogan Sr., left, as Washington College President Baird Tipson, right, presents Mr. Lamb with an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree during the school's George Washington Birthday Convocation at Chestertown on Saturday.

would likely focus on expectations of what the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries might do at its next meeting March 16 when the Nymex resumed trading after the Presidents Day holiday.

"There is still lack of clarity over what OPEC is likely to do," he said, suggesting some second-guessing ahead of whether the group would opt to reduce output or keep the status quo at its meeting in Isfahan, Iran.

Gas prices down slightly nationwide

CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — Retail gas prices dropped slightly in the last two weeks as oil price hikes were checked by an increase in the gasoline supply, an industry analyst said yesterday.

The average retail price for all three grades dropped half a cent to \$1.93, between Feb. 5 and Friday, said Trilby Lundberg, who publishes the semimonthly Lundberg Survey of 7,000 gas stations across the country.

The most popular grade, self-serve regular, was priced at \$1.90 a gallon, while customers paid \$2 for midgrade. Premium averaged \$2.10 a gallon for the period.

and gynecology department at the Hospital Ruber Internacional, where she gave birth to the 7-pound boy by planned Caesarean section.

Cruz has two brothers: Brooklyn, 5, and Romeo, 2.

The marriage of Britain's No. 1 celebrity couple grabbed headlines in April when a former personal aide, Rebecca Loos, claimed she and David Beckham had had a 10-day affair. He dismissed the claim as "ludicrous" and "absurd."

In September, lawyers for the couple said they were taking legal action against a British tabloid newspaper over an article which claimed their marriage was in trouble.

Victoria Beckham is a former member of the Spice Girls.

Tyler, wife separating

LOS ANGELES — Aerosmith lead singer **Steven Tyler** and his wife of 17 years, **Teresa**, are separating, the singer announced yesterday.

Mr. Tyler, 56, asked the public to respect his family's privacy in a statement released through the band's publicist, Mitch Schneider.

"Before the tabloid media makes more of this than it is, I am announcing that my wife Teresa and I are currently separated," Tyler said. "We're just a family trying to work through a difficult time. A little privacy and sensitivity — for Teresa, my children and myself — would be nice."

The couple have two teenage children, Chelsea, 16, and Taj, 13.

Mr. Tyler is also the father of model Mia Tyler, 26, from a previous marriage to Cyrinda Fox, and the actress Liv Tyler, 27, from a previous relationship.

Today's birthdays

Actress **Rue McClanahan** is 70. Actress **Tyne Daly** is 59. Actor **Alan Rickman** is 59. Actor **Kelsey Grammer** is 50. Singer **Mary Chapin Carpenter** is 47. Opera singer **Charlotte Church** is 19.