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A Step Back!



Top: During the war in Iraq, Suddam Hussein's forces ignited hundreds of oil wells in Kuwait. Satellite photos showed a black-grey plume swept south from Kuwait to as far south as the Arabian Sea.

Above: The failure of the Soviet coup left Fidel Castro and his island nation somewhat isolated. Cuba had relied heavily on the Soviet Union for aid. Now, with troubles of their own, the Soviet aid to Cuba is in doubt.

Right: Victory Demonstration at Red Square











Top left: Magic Johnson announced he was infected with the HIV virus to a stunned press conference in Los Angeles.

Top: After nearly seven years as a hostage in Lebanon, Terry Anderson was released on December 4, 1991. He was the longest held American hostage.

Left: President Bush nominated Robert M. Gates to head the CIA.

Bottom: Floods hit Texas late in the year, causing extensive damage. Here, fire-fighters rescue a calf as the Colorado river overflows its banks near Wharton.

Right: Civil War broke out in Yugoslavia. The war unraveled this nation of six divergent republics, two of which- Croatia and Slovenia- declared independence from the federation in June, 1991.

Bottom right: South African President F.W. de Klerk tried to move his country closer to the U.S. and other western nations by loosening his tough stand on apartheid.







Above: Russian President Boris Yeltsin

Right: The New York Stock Exchange continued to hit new highs even as the U.S. staggered in recession.









Above left: Michael Jordan flew through the air with the greatest of ease. This 28-year-old basketball star of the Chicago Bulls led his team to the NBA championship in 1991.

Above: USSR Anti-Coup tanks

Left: He isn't a big guy and he doesn't have a big voice, just a light, floating tenor. The 48year-old Paul Simon and a 17-piece band drawn from five nations stepped on stage in Central Park in New York for a concert.





Right: Amy Grant has sold over 10 million records worldwide. She proudly displays five Grammys in her home and recently hit the charts with the hugely successful album "Heart in Motion".

Below right: Jack Morris of the Minnesota Twins walks off the mound after winning the final game of a seven-game World Series. The Twins beat the Atlanta Braves.

Below: Faced with widespread opposition to her proposal for a national referendum to approve a new 10-year American lease on the Subic Bay Naval Station in the Philippines, President Aquino allowed for a three-year American withdrawal.









Left: The Group of Seven industrial democracies gathered at the Tower of London for an economic summit

Below left: Professor Anita Hill, a 35-year old law professor, claimed she was the victim of sexual harassment while her and Clarence Thomas were working together about 10 years earlier. The full Senate debated the issue and voted to confirm Thomas to the Supreme Court.







Above: First Lady of the United States, Barbara Bush

Left: Chynna and Carnie and Carnie's younger sister, Wendy, form Wilson Phillips, one of the hottest trios of the year. Their latest album is called "Wilson Phillips," of course.