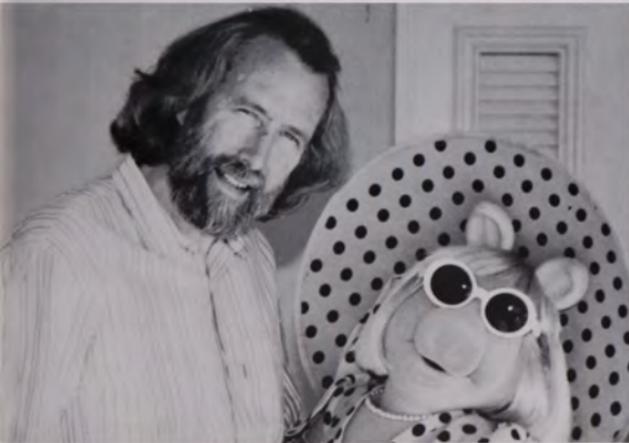


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**TOP: AMERICAN TROOPS IN SAUDI ARABIA-** In the early hours of August 2nd following negotiations and promises by Saddam Hussein not to use force an Iraqi army invaded Kuwait. The U.S. wasted no time in answering the aggression and 7 months later the U.S. and allied forces pushed Iraq out of Kuwait. **LEFT: DAVID SOUTER** became the latest member of the Supreme Court in October. He is seen here with **PRESIDENT BUSH** after his nomination was announced. **RIGHT: "BANNED IN THE U.S.A."** 2-LIVE CREW is a rap group that made hit songs and big headlines this year. The police in Florida considered their album, "As Nasty As You Wanna Be" to be obscene, and a record store owner was found guilty after selling it.





TOP LEFT: Even though 34-year-old JOE MONTANA lost superbow '90 to the Giants he has made history by negotiating one of the richest contracts in NFL history with the San Francisco 49ers. TOP RIGHT: NELSON MANDELA was given a life sentence in 1962 for plotting to overthrow the South African government. He became one of the world's most influential prisoners. But in February 1990, at the age of 71, Nelson Mandela was released after lengthy negotiations with President F.W. de Klerk. LEFT: JIM HENSON was a puppeteer with an enormous following. On May 16, 1990, at the age of 53, he died from a severe case of pneumonia. During his career, he created an endearing menagerie of creatures, characters of timeless appeal. In 1969 Henson's creations—Kermit, Big Bird, and Cookie Monster—first appeared on Sesame Street. Then, in 1976, The Muppet Show was born giving life to Miss Piggy, Fozzie Bear and many, many others.

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WORLD EVENTS 90-91



TOP LEFT: EMPTY SHELVES MOSCOW—Russia is finding it difficult to feed itself as food has become a scarce commodity in the Soviet Union.  
TOP RIGHT: SADDAM HUSSEIN remains President of Iraq even as the Persian Gulf War draws to a close. Many wonder if he will remain in a position of power for much longer.  
BELOW: Hours after the Kuwaiti invasion, Arabs throughout the world took to the streets in anti-Iraq demonstrations. Pictured here one of those demonstrations in London.





It was a time of change in Eastern Europe. Thousands of students marched for five hours to commemorate student Jan Opletal, killed by Nazis 50 years ago. When demonstrators tried to reach central Wenceslas Square, police attacked them with tear gas, dogs and clubs.



After months of debate and years of struggle, East Germany and West Germany became the Federal Republic of Germany on Oct. 3.



The 'Savings and Loan' business hit a brick wall in 1990. Pictured here is FDIC chairman William Seidman.



ABOVE: NOLAN RYAN can still put plenty of heat on his fastball. He holds more than 40 major league records. BELOW: DONALD TRUMP'S millions were slowly eroded in 1990 to the edge of financial disaster. RIGHT: MIKHAIL GORBACHEV is struggling to unite and reform the Soviet Union. He is seen here during a recent summit meeting with PRESIDENT BUSH.



JANET JACKSON skyrocketed to the top in 1990 hitting it big with "Rhythm Nation 1814."



ABOVE: M.C. HAMMER is a 27 year old rapper from California whose 2nd album, "Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em," sold close to 5 million copies and is one of a few rap albums in history to land at the top of the pop charts. BELOW: BILLY JOEL played to standing-room-only around the world this year and his latest album, "Stormfront" has been a solid seller for almost a year.



SINEAD O'CONNOR won the best video of the year by a female at the seventh annual MTV Music Video Awards for her avant-garde "Nothing Compares 2U."

