

Planned hostage debate delayed

Khomeini reported to have cancer

From our wire services
Iran's parliament, scheduled to debate Iranian conditions for freeing the 52 American hostages Thursday, failed to achieve a quorum and postponed the crucial session until Sunday.

In the United States, an aide to President Carter said in an interview published yesterday that religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini "has cancer of the colon" and is "not going to last long," which may have some bearing on the hostage situation.

The State Department declined to comment on the report, or other comments by the aid that release of the hostages before next Tuesday's election is unlikely.

The official Pars News Agency announced the postponement and a parliamentary spokesman in Tehran, reached by telephone from London, said

the next meeting would be held Sunday. There was no explanation why the required two-thirds of the 220 members of the Majlis, the Iranian parliament, failed to respond to an appeal by their own parliamentary leaders to attend the session.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Wayne Miele of the Iran Working Group said, "Why that occurred (lack of quorum), I can't really say. We would hope that the hostages would be home soon, and this just prolongs it a bit."

Iran's "hanging judge," Ayatollah Sheikh Sadegh Khalkali, had predicted yesterday the parliament's debate on the American hostages would end early today and he said, "We want to free the hostages before the election."

However, the official Iranian news service, Pars, announced there was no

quorum today and the meeting was postponed until Sunday.

"The open session of the Islamic Consultative Assembly (Majlis) that was scheduled to be held Thursday morning has been postponed," Pars said.

"The reason for this delay is that a quorum was not met in today's session. The meeting is postponed until next week."

Sources close to the talks said that after a heated debate yesterday in which several members of the Majlis, or Parliament, stalked out, the members had decided to hold the open session and vote on proposed conditions.

Deputy Hussein Hashemian, reached by telephone from Beirut, Lebanon, had said, "We may have an open session or a closed session — it is not for sure," and that debate may continue for four to six days.

Before the aborted debate, some members of the 228-seat Parliament or Majlis had expressed guarded optimism over the possibility of a final decision today.

"The Majlis generally favored solving the issue in a way acceptable to both parties," Hossein Ali Rahmani, a Kurdish

deputy known to be moderate on the hostage issue, said.

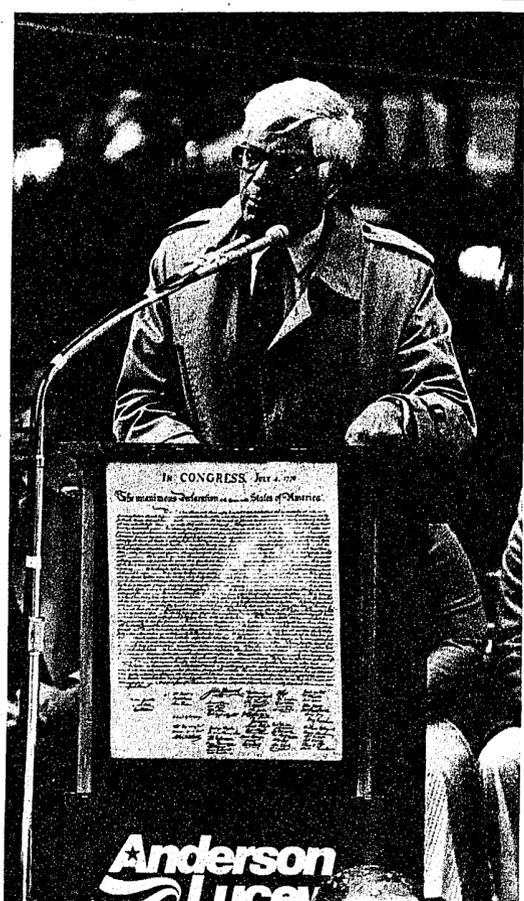
"I think there is a 70-percent likelihood of a decision Thursday (today)," Rahmani had said.

Asked if new conditions been added, deputy Hashemian said, "yes but we will make them public later." Several issues still were unsettled, but "the condition of the shah's wealth remains," he said. "We are debating on the apology."

Khomeini, the 80-year-old Iranian leader, has said the U.S. government should apologize for its support of the late shah's regime. But in September, when he set out in general terms Iran's demands, the apology was omitted.

His demands included return of the shah's fortune, a pledge of non-interference in Iran's affairs, withdrawal of lawsuits against Iran and release of Iranian assets frozen in U.S. banks. Khomeini, who holds the greatest power in his country, has charged the Majlis with responsibility for the hostages' fate.

Some members suggested Iran be given three hours of U.S. television time to air its grievances but this was not greeted favorably, the deputy said.



Independent presidential candidate John B. Anderson addresses a crowd of more than 1,000 in Philadelphia yesterday, including about 30 University students and State College area residents.

Anderson calls debate a 'shallow performance'

By ROSA EBERLY
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PHILADELPHIA — Independent presidential candidate John B. Anderson called Tuesday's presidential debate a "shallow performance" yesterday while addressing a crowd of more than 1,000, including about 30 University students and State College area residents.

"I listened last night," Anderson said, "because, after all, I was answering the same questions."

Anderson called Cleveland's Music Hall, where the debate was held, the place "where the two performers danced around the issues."

Chiding Carter's remark about discussing nuclear proliferation with his daughter Amy, Anderson said he could have persuaded the president to debate with him "if I had only talked with Amy first."

"I would have told her to tell Daddy it's important to sit down and talk with John Anderson," he said.

Citing Carter's sale of 38 tons of uranium to India despite a House of Representatives' vote against it, Anderson said Carter "put aside non-proliferation when he thought it was convenient and expedient to do so."

"Jimmy Carter wants a mass transit system for nuclear missiles," Anderson said.

Comparing Reagan's and Carter's philosophies is "like putting the dreams of yesteryear versus the nightmares of today," Anderson said.

The approximately 30 students and residents from State College who attended the rally had mixed reactions

to the speech.

"He (Anderson) didn't make too many special remarks, but those he did make really got his point across," Steve Lunger (4th-political science) said.

"I think the type of concerns that John Anderson represents in his platform are better suited to solve our problems in the free market economy," Lunger said.

Rosalyn Millman (4th-geography) said, "I would've liked him to talk more about his own positions on the issues." She said Anderson should have stressed his opinions on foreign policy, energy and the economy.

"I think most people watched the debates and wanted to hear his (Anderson's) views," Millman said.

Dave Dinger, a State College resident and campaign worker for Anderson said, "His (Anderson's) is the only position I can agree with concerning arms limitation."

The arms race is viewed by Reagan and Carter as the "trump card that we haven't played yet," Dinger said.

"Ronald Reagan is lying to us right now," he said about Reagan's position on SALT II and III.

The thirty State College area residents were assigned to walk throughout the city prior to the rally as a "dragnet" to attract people to the rally.

As the busload of students and residents left Anderson headquarters in Philadelphia, an unidentified Anderson campaign worker shouted, "Hey, Penn State, thanks a lot; we appreciated that a lot."



The Ayatollah Sheikh Sadegh Khalkali, known as Iran's "hanging judge," predicted yesterday that the hostage debate would end today and that the 52 American captives would be released before the Nov. 4 presidential election. See related stories on the Middle East on Page 5.

Crown Prince Reza to claim title of shah

CAIRO, Egypt (UPI) — Without the pomp his father loved, Crown Prince Reza will proclaim himself shah of Iran tomorrow in keeping with Mohammed Reza Pahlavi's deathbed wish.

There will be no crown or Peacock Throne, no gala reception or banquet, no well-wishers. Only Egyptian TV will be permitted to watch.

The shah's eldest son will claim the Iranian throne — his father said it dated back 2,500 years to Cyrus the Great — in a 10-minute speech in Persian addressed to the Iranian people, a family spokesman said.

Tomorrow marks Reza's 20th birthday. The 1906 Iranian constitution required the heir to a vacant throne take over at that age.

The late shah was overthrown and Iran was proclaimed an Islamic republic by the revolution of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini early last year.

The shah died in his Cairo exile July 27 without relinquishing his title and considered Reza his heir. Reza's mother, Empress Farah, has served as regent in the interim.

In a message released in Cairo Aug. 1, the shah said: "Let the (1906) constitu-

tion decide the fate of the country. . . . The preservation and respect of its principles is the basis of our country's territorial integrity and independence. . . . I enjoin my son to protect it. . . . This is my last wish."

Earlier this month, Farah informed Cairo news bureaus her son "will succeed his father" on his 20th birthday.

"Under the circumstances, no public ceremony and no press conference will be held," Farah said.

Reza, wearing a business suit and the Order of Pahlavi decoration his father reserved for heads of state, will read his address from his office at Kubbeh Palace, a cream-colored, two-story mansion on 70 acres of gardens.

It was the home of King Farouk until the Egyptian monarchy was overthrown in 1952 by a military junta that included President Anwar Sadat. Farouk was exiled to Rome where he died.

Sadat was the only world leader who offered the 61-year-old shah exile, and the ex-monarch came to Egypt with his family last March 24. The Pahlavis have lived at Kubbeh Palace since then with limousines and security details provided by Sadat.

Assembly's letter rejects semester change

By DAVID MEDZERIAN
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By a split vote, the Undergraduate Student Government's Academic Assembly approved a letter against the proposed change in the University calendar to a semester plan.

The letter passed by a vote of 9 to 5, and will be sent to University President John W. Oswald early next month. Oswald has given all interested groups until Dec. 1 to submit their input to him, and will make his decision on the change by Feb. 1.

The assembly's letter states, "Due to lack of adequate information, we do not feel the change should be implemented. An honest, valid opinion, we feel, is impossible to form without more details concerning the change."

"We would like to make it clear that we are not against a semester system, but we are against the method used for this decision. We do not feel we can make such a valid opinion without such information. We would like to see tentative figures concerning cost analysis,

teaching workloads, etc. concerning the proposed calendar change."

Assembly President Ted Skzlenksi said he feels the administration has not sufficiently informed the students of the details of the calendar change.

"They haven't given us enough reasons to change or not to change," he said.

"I don't think we can make a decision if we don't know what we're going to," he said. "They are not telling us when the (vacation) breaks will be, will there be 50-minute classes . . . how can we make a decision?"

Skzlenksi said the workshop session held by the assembly earlier this month showed that there isn't enough detailed information on the calendar change.

"Supposedly they (the panelists) had as much information as anyone else," he said. "Even if some of this information does come out, we haven't heard it."

Skzlenksi also said a lack of concrete plans for the Summer Term is another problem with the current situation.

"The Summer Term is totally up in the

air — they haven't given us any input as to how it will be handled," he said.

Steve Smalley of the College of Science Student Council said, "We have to have some specifics about the number of classes (and) the time you'll be in classes. We're not saying 'Don't change,' we're saying 'Wait and see what it's going to be like.'"

Smalley said he thinks most students and faculty members are against the change because the administration will not finalize plans on the semester system until after the change is decided upon.

"This is the first time I've seen the faculty and the students on the same side of the issue," he said. "They were told 'Here's the change, tell us why not to do it.'"

But College of Business Administration representative Paul Bell said the assembly cannot expect the administration to provide the students with more information.

"They have gone as far as they're going to before they make the decision," he

said. "In their belief, they have enough information."

Assembly Vice President Chris Hopwood said he thinks Oswald will go ahead with the semester proposal regardless of student and faculty input, even though the official administration position is that the decision has not yet been made.

"If the students were unanimously against it, they'd still make the change," he said.

Hopwood said the administration should first work out the details of the plan and then ask for a recommendation.

Correction

In yesterday's Daily Collegian, Gayle Henry, state director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, was incorrectly identified in a photo caption on Page 1 as Suzanne Glasgow, president of the Centre County Citizens Concerned for Human Life.

Brazill allegedly asked to quit House campaign

By JUSTIN CATANOSO
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A pair of local Democratic Party leaders, with independent candidate Michael G. Day, allegedly told Democratic candidate Robert C. Brazill in a meeting Friday he would be "a hero in the eyes of area Democrats" if he withdrew his bid for the 77th District state legislative seat.

The meeting came about after Brazill allegedly voiced an interest in helping to form a single, united opposition to incumbent Gregg L. Cunningham, R-Centre County.

Brazill said he never strictly said he would drop out of the race.

Yesterday, he issued a press release stating that party leaders Daniel Chaffee and Gregory Stewart told him at the meeting "that if I were to back out of the race and endorse Mr. Day, (the Democratic Party) would help me to run for office in the future and would reimburse me the money I have spent on my campaign."

Day said no such agreement was suggested.

"It was suggested to Bob that he would have less trouble running for elected office in the future when his eligibility wasn't in question," Day said.

"But at no time did we ever offer to cover his campaign debt. The simple truth is, we don't have the money to give him. He's making it sound like we tried to bribe him and that is a slanderous accusation."

Brazill lost the support of the Democratic Party when party officials discovered that he lived and voted in New Jersey three years ago. The Pennsylvania Constitution stipulates that a representative must live in the state for four consecutive years.

Day, who is a Democrat-turned-independent in order to run, said: "Many Democrats want to openly support my candidacy but can't because of party by-laws. They want to see Gregg Cunningham defeated. They see Brazill as the spoiler

and every vote that he gets is one that I won't."

Day said Brazill left the meeting, leaving open the possibility that he would consider withdrawing.

Brazill said, "I never seriously considered their offer. I would be disappointing the people who are planning on voting for me."

Brazill said Chaffee and Stewart approached him after the League of Women Voter's candidates night Oct. 23 and suggested the three meet with Day the following afternoon.

Day, however, said the meeting was arranged through an intermediary, Melvin Hodes. Hodes, a State College resident, said he and Brazill talked after that night's forum.

"I told Bob that since he and Mike agree on the majority of the issues," Hodes said, "they were only hurting each other. Bob didn't absolutely say he would drop out, but did indicate that he was willing to think about it."

Hodes said he contacted Chaffee and Stewart

and said both were interested in the possibility that an agreement could be reached with Brazill.

Hodes said Day was also interested in the possibility and a meeting was arranged.

Brazill said, "I said maybe three or four words the whole meeting. I just listened and said goodbye."

Day and Modes both said Brazill insisted on having a "written list of promises" from the party leaders including that the party would support him in future races.

"There was nothing to put in writing," Stewart said. "We simply asked him to withdraw for the good of the party. We told him he was ineligible and that we have Democrats who are willing to support and work for Day."

Brazill said he did not request anything at the meeting.

However, Brazill said he called Terry Dalton, a Centre Daily Times staff writer, on Friday night and allegedly told him that Chaffee and

Stewart did offer to support him in the future and cover his campaign debt if he dropped out of the race.

"I called Terry Dalton because I felt that through the meeting, the Democratic Party had finally recognized me as their candidate," Brazill said. "I haven't accused anybody of anything and I haven't slandered anybody."

Day said, "The press release was a desperate and a childish prank. And insinuating that we bribed him is a lie and a malicious one."

Bone chilling morning

Quite a bit of sunshine today along with intervals of cloudiness. It will be cool with a high of 50. Partly to mostly clear tonight and cold with a low of 29. Partly sunny, becoming breezy and slightly milder on Friday with a high of 54. Changeable skies, breezy and colder on Saturday with a shower possible and a high of 45.