

Leftists free executive after 38 days captivity

By TOM WELLS
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BOGOTA, Colombia — Leftist guerrillas freed Texaco executive Kenneth Bishop from 38 days' captivity yesterday, and a relative said his family paid a ransom of several hundred thousand dollars. Bishop and his wife left immediately for the United States.

The 57-year-old production manager for Texaco Petroleum, the Colombian subsidiary of Texaco, was kidnapped March 7 by three men and a woman, who ambushed his car and killed his two bodyguards. He was released just after dawn.

A wealthy member of Bishop's family paid the ransom, a relative

told the Associated Press. The relative declined to say exactly how much the ransom was, but said it was several hundred thousand dollars. The relative asked to remain anonymous for fear other family members might be abducted.

Texaco had refused to negotiate with the kidnapers.

The Bishops were whisked to the Bogota international airport after his release and put aboard a Texaco executive jet bound for Miami, a Texaco source in Bogota said. Bishop has relatives in Denver and Bishop, Calif.

The company source asked not to be identified because of an order that employees were not to talk to the news media about the kidnap-

ping.

The source also said that Texaco, which has bulletproof cars for three of its top employees in Colombia, is ordering three more bulletproof cars for Colombian executives.

The People's Revolutionary Organization, a group claiming to be anti-imperialist, said it had abducted Bishop. The guerrilla group sent a communique and a photo of Bishop holding a guerrilla flag to a Bogota newspaper two days after Bishop was kidnapped.

The communique said Bishop was to be executed March 29 if Texaco Petroleum did not meet the kidnapers' demands. The demands were never made public.



Texaco executive Kenneth Bishop, released after 38 days in captivity by leftist guerrillas in Bogota, arrives in Miami a free man yesterday.

Smaller artificial heart is coming

By DONNA ANDERSON
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SALT LAKE CITY — As doctors prepare for the next artificial heart implant, researchers are making strides toward developing a heart for small people and an implantable electric motor to replace the bulky air pump now required.

Work began in November at the University of Utah on a heart with oval instead of round ventricles that researchers say could be critical in making a heart compact enough for smaller adults and still have adequate pumping capacity.

"It's just an improvement of the output of the heart with smaller size and better fit," said Walter Rohloff, head of the school's Artificial Organs Division machine shop.

Furthermore, doctors anticipate implanting in five to 10 years a heart carrying a tiny motor that would be powered by a battery pack worn on a recipient's belt.

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state news briefs

Erie cop's death is ruled murder

ERIE (AP) — Attorney General LeRoy Zimmerman said yesterday the 1980 death of an Erie police officer was murder, not suicide, and the police department's investigation had been riddled with errors.

Zimmerman, who had been asked to investigate the case last spring by Erie County District Attorney Michael Vesbecko, said the police erred in judgment, evidence collection, documentation and analysis.

Zimmerman gave Vesbecko a 93-page confidential report and urged the district attorney to continue the investigation. Zimmerman offered his help, but noted "it may no longer be possible to find and convict the killer or killers" because of police errors.

"The report's conclusion is inescapable: homicide is the only plausible explanation," Zimmerman said.

Police Cpl. Robert Owen was shot to death with his own gun while on duty Dec. 29, 1980. His body was found in the snow near his patrol car in a warehouse parking lot.

4 people die from arson, homicide

TOWANDA, Bradford County (AP) — A woman who told authorities she was trying to burn pictures of another woman and her children was charged with homicide and arson yesterday following a fire in which at least four people died, officials said.

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nation news briefs

OSHA still looking for cancer agents

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration official responsible for protecting workers' health says his agency will continue a strong look for cancer-causing substances. A long-simmering plan to abandon that mission, he concedes, was "off the track."

Thorne G. Aucher, chief of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, denied the turnaround was prompted by the congressional uproar over allegations that the Environmental Protection Agency had favored industry on the same issue.

His aides, said Aucher, had simply gotten "off the track" in their review of OSHA's responsibility to identify and classify suspected carcinogens in the workplace.

Aucher stressed that OSHA had never reached the point of proposing a formal revocation of the cancer policy, which was implemented by the Carter administration in January 1980.

Possible gonorrhea outbreak stopped

ATLANTA (AP) — An intense prevention program has controlled an outbreak of penicillin-resistant gonorrhea in Los Angeles, the first such outbreak in a major U.S. metropolitan area, federal health officials said yesterday.

The outbreak in Los Angeles County was first identified in August 1980, and reached an average of 50 cases each month through March 1981, the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said yesterday.

By last month, after the program, cases averaged less than 15 a month, the CDC said in its Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report.

Specialists criticize space missiles

WASHINGTON (AP) — With administration officials noticeably absent, a Senate foreign relations subcommittee yesterday heard several specialists criticize President Reagan's call for a stepped-up drive to develop missile defense weapons in space.

George Rathjens, a political science professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and former arms control official, said he found Reagan's announcement of the effort last month "deeply troubling."

"Notwithstanding the optimism of the president and (Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger), we had all better realize that security in the nuclear age is not to be found through technical fixes," he testified.

world news briefs

Japan to look at national security

TOKYO (AP) — Claims by a former Soviet intelligence agent that Japan is a "paradise for spies" have impelled the government to reassess its ability to keep state secrets and technological advances from falling into unfriendly hands.

The charge by ex-KGB spy, Stanislav Levechenko in a magazine interview that Moscow has a string of agents among Japan's political and media elite made huge headlines in this open, relatively lenient society.

The Foreign Ministry declined to comment in detail but said it was studying how to tighten security. It said two senior officials of the French Foreign Ministry, which recently expelled 47 alleged Soviet agents, will arrive April 24 to discuss security and Soviet relations.

Iran agrees to oil capping operation

KUWAIT (AP) — Iran agreed yesterday to a joint operation by all Persian Gulf nations to cap leaking offshore Iranian oil wells feeding a vast slick in the gulf, but representatives of other countries doubted that Iraq would cooperate while the Iran-Iraq war continued.

Ministerial delegations, meeting within the framework of the Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME), continued unofficial consultations until after midnight.

stock report

Stocks rebound; port 6th gain

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices rebounded from some early selling to post their sixth straight gain and another record high yesterday as Wall Street's eight-month-old bull market continued.

Auto stocks led the market higher for the second straight day, along with several big-name issues responding to favorable earnings reports for the first quarter of the year.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials finished with an 8.61 gain.

Volume Shares	106,470,030
Issues Traded	1,977
Up	1,061
Unchanged	349
Down	547
◆ NYSE Index 90.84 + 0.80	
◆ Dow Jones Industrials 1,165.25 + 8.61	

2nd rebel group enters Nicaragua

By JOSEPH B. FRAZIER
Associated Press Writer

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica — Eden Pastora, the Nicaraguan revolutionary hero who defected after helping put the Sandinistas in power, was reported yesterday to be back in his homeland leading a rebel force against the leftist government.

If true, this would open a second front — in southern Nicaragua — by rebels trying to overthrow the country's leftist, three-man junta. Pastora is reputed to be a tough guerrilla fighter.

The alliance, apparently based in Costa Rica, is made up mostly of disenchanting Sandinistas or people who had supported the Sandinistas in the bloody 1978-79 revolution that toppled rightist President Anastasio Somoza.

Another group called the Nicaraguan Democratic Front, based in Honduras, is mostly

comprised of officers and men from Somoza's former National Guard and has been fighting the Sandinista army in northern Nicaragua for the past three months.

Sandinista authorities claim 800 people have been killed in the fighting during that period. The officials also estimate the number of guerrillas in northern Nicaragua at 1,200 but say there could be as many as 5,000.

Nicaraguan officials accuse the Reagan administration and the Honduran government of secretly arming and training the front, as part of an overall effort to overthrow the Sandinista government. The United States has never admitted nor denied the charges.

As Commander Zero, Pastora launched the revolution against Somoza in 1978, seizing the National Palace in Managua and holding some 1,200 people including foreign diplomats and top government officials hostage for days. Somoza was forced to pay ransom, release a

group of political prisoners and give them safe conduct to Cuba.

Pastora slipped back into Nicaragua, combating the Sandinista forces in the south, and served as Deputy Defense Minister when the Sandinistas took power in July 1979, until he became disenchanted with the government's Marxist and pro-Soviet tack and its failure to hold elections.

He disappeared from public view in Nicaragua in 1981 and surfaced in Costa Rica 10 months later, in March 1982.

Neither the oval heart nor the motor will be available for the next several implants, since they still require years of laboratory and animal tests, Rohloff said. Meanwhile, other researchers are preparing a typewriter-size power unit that could be ready in two years.

Tax registers give money to hospice

By LEE LINDER
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Brother Stanley stood at the door of St. John's Hospice, where the hungry and the homeless can get a free meal and a bed, and thanked a group of tax registers yesterday for a check for \$242.69.

Bill Strong, a member of the Friends Peace Committee who led about 40 men and women under a banner that urged, "Transfer Pentagon Tax \$8 Human Needs," said he expected to return later with another \$300.

"This money represents federal taxes we are refusing to pay as a protest against military spending," Strong said following a City Hall courtyard rally by the War Tax Concerns Committee of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, the Quakers.

"More and more people are refusing to pay a portion of their taxes as a protest of the huge American defense budget," said Strong as followers waved signs that read "Your Tax Dollars Arm the World" and "61 Cents of Your Tax Dollars Pays for War."

Many were buttons carrying the slogan, "Taxes for Peace Not War."



Saying they have refused to pay their taxes as a protest against U.S. military spending, demonstrators in Philadelphia yesterday march to a downtown soup kitchen to donate money.

Avoid transfusions, health experts say

By JANET STAIHAR
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Federal health experts said yesterday it is best for people to avoid blood transfusions at this time because of the risk of contracting a mysterious new disease that ravages the body's immune system.

Dr. William H. Foegen, director of the National Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, told a congressional panel that one way the disease, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), may be passed along is through blood donated by persons who don't know they have the illness.

"The incubation period (for AIDS) may be quite a long time — a month or even a year," he said.

Foegen said the agency has asked high-risk AIDS groups to stop donating blood at least until more is known about how the disease is spread from victim to victim.

He identified those groups which have a higher percentage of AIDS occurrences as homosexual males, intravenous drug users, and Haitian immigrants.

He said cases also have been found among hemophiliacs, heterosexual partners of AIDS patients, recipients of blood transfusions, and children of parents with the disease.

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Foegen said there is no way at this time of detecting AIDS in the blood of donors. So, he said, "we are encouraging" people not to get blood transfusions "unless absolutely necessary."

If a person chooses to have elective surgery, he pointed out, "it's always possible to give your own blood in advance."

The disease has stricken 1,300 Americans, and each day five or six new patients are found to have AIDS, he told a House appropriations subcommittee which held a hearing on the financial needs of the centers for next year.

Of those 1,300 AIDS patients, he said, 500 have died. But he predicted that the mortality rate would eventually soar much higher because 44 of the first 50 cases detected have already died.

\$2 fuse caused long distance phone system to fail

By SCOTT KRAFT
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS — A flooded basement and the failure of a \$2 fuse crippled the long distance telecommunication system of this city for 10 hours last week and severed its link with a nuclear attack warning system.

The breakdown demonstrated the vulnerability of centralized telephone systems in 90 U.S. cities where similar computer switching machines sit in guarded, windowless buildings, according to AT&T officials.

The core of the long-distance telephone system — a computer carrying thousands of circuits, including priority government lines — has survived floods, hurricanes, tornados and blackouts across the country.

But when 11 inches of rain brought wide-

spread flooding to Louisiana, the system failed.

"I've never been through a set of circumstances like that and I thought I'd seen everything," said Art Ammon, manager of the Network Operations Center at AT&T headquarters in Bedminster, N.J. "We've never had anything quite this devastating."

Technology and centralization have made telephone systems more efficient but also more vulnerable to floods, \$2 fuses — and terrorism or nuclear attack, according to Ammon.

"There is concern on the part of government — and it's probably a legitimate one — about the reliability of the communications switch network," Ammon said.

"It's a fact that if you lose one of those control units, as we did last week, that some critical lines are going to be lost."

AT&T and the government are studying ways to switch long distance calls through smaller phone offices in cases of emergency, which is not now possible, Ammon said.

Last Thursday, an intricate system of backups failed. The worst-case scenario unfolded.

South Central Bell Telephone's \$12 million long-distance switching computer, called a 4ESS, had to be shut down, knocking out 30,000 telephone circuits into and out of southeastern Louisiana. Some of the circuits carried high-level government traffic, Ammon said.

The FAA airport control tower lost its computer link to Houston and outlying towers. Shipping operations were paralyzed. The mayor couldn't telephone the governor.

And for 3 hours and 56 minutes, southeast Louisiana was cut off from the National

Warning System which alerts the public to nuclear attack or accidental missile launch. The Federal Emergency Management Agency office in Baton Rouge, La., used single-band radio backup to keep in touch with New Orleans.

"That old radio came before television, satellite and microwave — but it works when everything else is out," said Al Bennett, FEMA state communications and warning officer. He called the warning system's four-hour outage "extremely rare. I can't think of when a circuit has been down that long."

The airport control tower also used a single-band radio to contact Houston for clearance to let planes take off from New Orleans.

It all began with heavy rains flooding the basement of South Central Bell's 16-story

computer building in downtown New Orleans. Officials cut commercial power to the building before dawn.

An emergency diesel-powered generator, test-run only two days before, automatically started but shut itself off 43 minutes later when the oil overheated.

An electrical fuse the size of a cigar had blown and fans used to cool the engine oil never started, said T.E. Lindsey, operations manager for AT&T Long Lines in New Orleans. The engine could not be restarted until the oil cooled.

The second backup system, huge batteries kept on an upper floor, became the power source for the building and its vital switching equipment.

Conference calls were set up among engineers on the scene, in Illinois, New Jersey and Alabama.

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Schwab Auditorium
Dr. Ben Chavis who was imprisoned illegally for four years as one of the "Wilmington 10," is an internationally acclaimed civil rights leader. Reverend Chavis' conviction was overturned in 1980. His topic will be "Retrospect on the 60's - Prospects for the 90's."

6:00 p.m. CARIBBEAN EXPERIENCE /HUB Ballroom
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Monday April 18

7:00 p.m. BLACK FILM FESTIVAL/
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