Carter Claims Victory in Florida Vote, Kennedy Undeterred

United Press International

The White House said Friday President Carter won Florida's Democratic caucus vote with support from blacks, Hispanics and Jews, but the results did not deter Sen. Edward Kennedy, who was reported saying he definitely will run for president.

Kennedy also told high school students in Boston he will win if he decides to challenge Carter for the 1980 Democratic nomination. In addition, he got his first endorsement from a governor — Joseph Brennan of Maine — and the backing of the political arm of Iowa's United Auto Workers.

But White House press secretary Jody Powell said he sees Carter on the upswing and California Gov. Edmund Brown, who wants the nomination himself, said, "until recently I thought Kennedy was the man to beat but Carter is coming on very strong."

'Bunch of Baloney'

Powell told a news conference it was "a bunch of baloney" to say Kennedy had strong grass roots support in Florida, where just over 40,000 people voted in last weekend's delegate caucuses.

"The president had very strong support from the black and Hispanic communities, and strong support from the Jewish communities," Powell said. "Clearly it was not a case in which Jewish voters were completely in Kennedy's pocket."

The results, he said, make "very clear that anyone who wishes to challenge this president ought to be prepared for a long tough fight every step of the way."

Kennedy, meanwhile, has told Sen. Jennings Randolph, D-W.Va., that he will seek the nomination, a source close to Randolph said.

'I'm Going to Run'

The source said Kennedy telephoned Randolph Thursday and told him, "I'm going to run for president."

Randolph did not deny the report and said he personally thinks Kennedy will run. Kennedy Press Secretary Tom Southwick said the Massachusetts senator is discussing his thinking with a number of colleagues but he "is not a declared candidate."

Kennedy himself told students in Boston Friday that when he finally makes an announcement, "I don't think there'll be much of a surprise at what the statement will be."

And when asked if he could win against Carter, he paused, then said: "Yes."

Kennedy's non-declared status did not bother Maine's Brennan, who became the first Democratic governor to endorse him.

"I am convinced that Ted Kennedy is the person to provide the leadership we need and that he will be a candidate for president," Brennan told a news conference in Augusta, Maine.

Carter's forces, meanwhile, acted on the assumption that both Carter and Kennedy will be candidates and took full advantage of the newly released vote totals from last week's Florida caucuses.

Vice President Walter Mondale told reporters in New Hampshire the Florida vote — pegged by UPI at 522 delegates for Carter and 269 for Kennedy — was likely to be repeated in other contests.

"We have received there (in Florida), despite the fact our opposition spent more money, a mandate of nearly 2-1," Mondale said.

He said he thinks Florida represents "a good cross section of the country" and expects Carter to do equally well against Kennedy in other states.

"I think there may have been a time when different parts of the country reacted differently, but I think increasingly we're a nation of people who tend to respond the same way," Mondale said.

Gone 2½ Months

Authorities Have Doubts On Banker's Kidnapping

By Joseph B. Treaster
New York Times Writer

NEW YORK — After a second round of questioning of Michel Sindona, the Italian financier who had been missing for 2½ months, authorities remain skeptical that he had been kidnapped and had not disappeared intentionally to avoid trial on bank fraud charges.

"He's claiming he was kidnapped," said one law enforcement official close to the case. "They're gathering everything he has to say, then going out to see if they can document it."

Another law enforcement official said, "He is presenting a kidnap scenario, but not very specifically, at least at this point. Making a judgment on this is going to be a very slow process."

Hour of Questioning

A spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Investigation said the questioning at Doctors Hospital, where Sindona has been a patient and under arrest since he reappeared Tuesday, was resumed Thursday by two FBI agents and two New York detectives with at least one of the financier's lawyers present. The questioning lasted an hour, the spokesman said.

But the spokesman refused to disclose what was learned during the questioning Thursday or in an initial 90-minute session Wednesday.

Besides the central question of whether Sindona was kidnapped, as he and his family say, it has not been disclosed how he arrived at the West Side street corner where his lawyers say they picked him up Tuesday. It has also not been disclosed where he was during his absence or how he got what was ultimately determined to be a gunshot wound in his left thigh.

Reschedule Trial

Sindona's federal trial on fraud charges in connection with the collapse of the Franklin National Bank had been scheduled to begin on Sept. 10. It has been rescheduled for Nov. 26.

Dr. George Serban, a psychiatrist who has been seeing Sindona since Tuesday, said he was convinced the financier was kidnapped.

The doctor said Sindona had told him he was forced into a car in midtown and blindfolded the night of Aug. 2.

Location Unknown

He said Sindona had told him he did not know where he was held. But the doctor added, "He believes it was in the United States," perhaps within three hours of New York.

Dr. Elliott Howard, the physician attending Sindona, said the financier's condition remained satisfactory, as it has been since he entered the hospital for treatment of the bullet wound and exhaustion.

Dr. Serban said Sindona appeared to be "somewhat more relaxed," Thursday, adding that "he's under heavier medication."

Wednesday, Judge Griesa had ordered that Sindona be examined by a court-appointed psychiatrist and a physician.

Late Thursday afternoon, the U.S. Attorney's office said a hearing had been scheduled for Friday to formally appoint the psychiatrist and physician.

Sindona has been accused in Italy of having illegally removed $225 million from banks he controlled in Milan.

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Carter Clears California Disaster Aid

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Carter Friday night declared parts of California a major disaster area because of damage caused by earthquakes.

A White House spokeswoman said it was her understanding the declaration covers the whole state, specifically the 43rd Congressional District, with the possibility of other areas being added later if they qualify.

Formal Notice

"We will have a formal notice on it in the morning," the spokeswoman said. "I have no more now except that it has been signed."

A spokeswoman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, however, said such declarations usually trigger individual and public assistance that includes temporary housing assistance, disaster loans to homeowners and businesses, agricultural assistance, tax relief, grants to repair or replace vital public facilities, debris clearance and a wide variety of other programs.

California Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. had asked Carter earlier Friday to provide $21 million in federal funds to assist victims and rebuild schools, roads, public buildings and the irrigation system in the Imperial County earthquake zone.

Brown had previously declared the county a disaster area.

Several minor quakes shook the area around San Bernardino, Calif., Friday. They were unrelated to Monday's strong tremors in Imperial County and Wednesday's lesser quake off the Southern California coast at Malibu.

1,565 Homes Damaged

The latest survey showed that two homes were destroyed and 1,565 damaged in the Imperial Valley quake, Brown said, and 11 businesses destroyed and 470 damaged.

"I just want to [illegible] to make sure that 1,500 people don't get lost in the shuffle in Washington," Brown said.

The $21 million is divided roughly into $10 million for the private sector and $11 for the public sector including the estimated $8.9 million damage inflicted on the Imperial County services buildings and almost $1 million to irrigation and water control facilities.

The proposed assistance would provide up to $5,000 in outright grants to private individuals who suffered severe property damage and were unable to borrow money.

Monday's Imperial Valley quake measured 6.4 on the Richter scale.



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Bird Perch

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Cassie Fuellhart bet Tony Montooth that the Baltimore Orioles would win World Series. She spent hours atop a chair outside Tony's bar enduring light rain, chilly weather. She said she can't wait for Superbowl.

U.S. Economy Registers Surprising 2.4% Boost

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stracted differently, has suggested that the inflation rate is about 13 percent.

Precisely why the economy has showed such strengh is under debate among economists. For one thing, most economists expected a "bounceback" from the second quarter when gasoline lines cut heavily into economic growth and sent the economy down at a 2.3 percent yearly rate.

Beyond that, the analysts point to a number of developments, such as the rebate plans offered by some major carmakers to clear bulging inventories. And at the same time, consumers have cut back on their savings and continued to spend, despite a loss of purchasing power.

"Quite frankly, the figures were much better than I thought they would be," said Lawrence Chimerine, chief economist at Chase Econometric Associates. "But I don't think it invalidates the recession hypothesis."

Like other economists, Chimerine believes that economic activity will decline for at least the next six months and will show a decline of perhaps 1 percent in 1980.

The increase in GNP announced Friday follows a week of similarly strong increases posted by other key economic indicators. Industrial production, for example, rose by 0.5 percent last month and retail sales were reported to have increased by 2.2 percent last month. In addition, housing starts rose by 4 percent over August levels.

"The third quarter increase, stemming from a strong 4.4 percent surge in real consumption, was more a fluke than a harbinger of recovery," contended Michael K. Evans, president of Evans Economies, a consulting firm. "Consumers decided to go out and spend everything they had in September."

Economists base their predictions of a turn in the economy in large part on the fact that consumers' purchasing power has been falling for several months which suggests that at some point, consumers are likely to cut down their buying. In addition, saving during the third quarter hit a 28-year low of 4.1 percent.

"We still face an outlook of slow growth," said Lyle Gramley, a member of the president's Council of Economic Advisers. "There has been a drain of consumer purchasing power."

Gramley said that the resiliency of the economy suggested that the Federal Reserve could take its credit-tightening actions with less worry of economic growth.

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L.A. Suspect Confesses To Hillside Stranglings

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individually responsible for all 10.

Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates said he now considered the "strangler" case closed.

Gates said an investigation would continue in the deaths of three other victims originally linked to the "strangler" slayings and indicated he did not expect Bianchi or Buono to ever be charged in those killings.

First Victim

The first victim named in the complaint against the two suspects, Yolanda Washington, 20, was last seen alive on a Hollywood street corner Oct. 17, 1977. Her body was found the next day near Griffith Park.

The last victim in the string of slayings was Cindy Lee Hudspeth, 20, who vanished from her apartment Feb. 16, 1978. Her body was found the next day in the trunk of her car at the bottom of a mountain ravine.

Bianchi moved to Bellingham later that year. It was there that he continued his rampage, killing Western Washington University students Karen Mandic, 22, of Bellevue, Wash., and her roommate Diane Wilder, 27, of Bremerton, Wash.

Bianchi was scheduled to appear in Los Angeles Municipal Court Monday for arraignment on a complaint listing 25 felony charges. Buono was to be arraigned later in the day.

Both suspects were charged with eight counts of conspiracy to commit murder, rape, kidnapping; one count of conspiracy to commit murder, rape, kidnapping and sodomy; one count of conspiracy to commit pimping and pandering; and a count of conspiracy to commit extortion.

Both are also charged with one count of pimping. In addition, Bianchi is accused of one additional count of sodomy and Buono of two such counts.

An Alter Ego

Washington authorities said that, under hypnosis, Bianchi assumed the identity of an alter ego named Steve Walker who admitted five of the strangler murders. They said that it was while under hypnosis that Bianchi first implicated his cousin.

However, two mental health experts picked by the prosecution and two others appointed by the court concluded that Bianchi was faking and the alter ego was bogus. They and two defense experts all agreed that he was mentally competent to stand trial.

Bellingham prosecutor David McEachran said he believed Bianchi "finally cracked and agreed to cooperate because he could see there was just too much evidence stacking up against him."

"The only reason that the death penalty was not sought," he added, "was our concern in prosecuting Bianchi's accomplice in the California murders.

"My major responsibility is the protection of society."

Students Chase Blacks Off Boston Commons

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and white students were involved in a fist fight at South Boston High School and at East Boston High School a black youth was arrested and charged with stabbing a 17-year-old white student.

Friday, about 150 white students — most from Madison Park and Charlestown High Schools — gathered on the common across from the Massachusetts statehouse and then later marched to city hall demanding a meeting with Mayor Kevin H. White.

The group at Boston Common was shadowed by police in motorcycles, in cars and wagons. They eventually dispersed without further incident.

The white students had been barred from entering the statehouse en masse by capitol police. But Gov. Edward J. King said later he "would meet with the students if they come up here."

King, who had earlier remained silent about increasing violence in Boston schools, Friday blamed the situation on a "breakdown of the family structure." He offered to "assume any role necessary" to help calm things.

Friday's trouble on the common occurred as Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., was telling a Boston conference on race relations that the Darryl Williams' shooting was a "senseless act of violence."

Attendance at some schools was reportedly down 50 percent since the outbreaks of trouble during this sixth year of court ordered school desegregation.

Cleveland Remains Without Schools

By Associated Press

Striking Cleveland teachers paralyzed Ohio's largest public school system for the second straight day Friday. Most of the system's 92,161 pupils were either turned away from classes or stayed home.

The impact of the strike was more severe Friday than it was during its first day, according to assistant superintendent James Misch.

Only 10 of the system's 146 schools were open for instruction Friday, as compared to 15 on Thursday, Misch said.

Jury Picked in Case Alleging Vote Fraud

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP) — A U.S. District Court jury was empaneled Friday to hear evidence in the trial of Rep. Claude Leach, D-La., and one of his law partners who are charged with buying votes in the 1978 election that sent Leach to Congress.

Leach and Edwin L. Cabra, the law partner and an assistant district attorney in Vernon Parish, have pleaded innocent to charges of buying and conspiring to buy votes.

The selection of alternate jurors and opening arguments in the case were delayed for about an hour Friday morning when Judge Earl Veron dismissed one juror and announced that he had been given a sealed letter from another juror.

N.C. Nuclear Plant Shut Down Due to Radioactivity Increase

SOUTHPORT, N.C. (UPI) — A unit at a North Carolina nuclear power plant was shut down and evacuated as a precautionary measure Friday because of an increase in radioactivity inside the main steam line.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials said there was no release or radioactivity off the plant site.

The unit is operated by Carolina Power & Light Co. at its Brunswick nuclear plant located about 30 miles south of Wilmington, N.C.

"There does not appear to be any cause for alarm," said NRC spokesman Ken Clark. Three NRC inspectors from Atlanta were dispatched to the scene.

The NRC and CP&L said the automatic shutdown was caused by an increase in the levels of radioactivity inside the main steam line, which goes from the reactor to the plant's turbines.

The NRC said low levels of airborne radioactivity in the reactor building resulted in an automatic precautionary evacuation of that structure, but CP&L did not deem it necessary to implement a "site emergency."

Clark said there was a slight increase of radioactivity through the plant's stacks, but the increase was no greater than what would occur during a normal shutdown.

The plant is located in a rural area near the Atlantic coast popular with tourists during the summer but sparsely populated this time of year.

James O'Reilly, director of the NRC's regional office in Atlanta, said the commission's resident inspector at the site reported all safety systems operated as designed during the automatic shutdown.

Clark said he had no idea what quantities of radiation were released in the building but "preliminary indications are that they did not exceed permissible limits." The shutdown occurred at 12:51 a.m. EDT.

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