

Commandos storm jet, free hostages

By United Press International

West German commandos stormed a hijacked Lufthansa jetliner in Somalia today in a spectacular, seven-minute raid that killed three of the four terrorists and rescued all 88 hostages to end a five-day, 6,000-mile, three-continent odyssey of terror.

The fourth terrorist, a seriously wounded woman, was hospitalized in the Somali capital of Mogadishu.

Within hours of the news of the rescue operation, reminiscent of the July 4, 1976 Israeli rescue at Entebbe, Uganda, three leaders of the West German Baader-Meinhof terrorist gang committed suicide in their specially

built maximum security prison cells.

It was the release of the guerrilla leaders and eight other West German prisoners that the hijackers had demanded in exchange for the lives of the plane hostages.

Andreas Baader, 34, and Jan Carl Raape, 33, shot and killed themselves and Baader's girlfriend, Gudrun Enslin, 37, hanged herself. A fourth member, Irmgard Moeller, 30, slashed her throat and was in critical condition, the West German Justice Ministry reported.

West German officials said they feared the commando raid and the prison suicides might doom industrial-

ist Hanna-Martin Schleyer, seized more than six weeks ago by the Baader-Meinhof gang.

The 88 hostages of the Lufthansa 747 jetliner, sobbing and exhausted emotionally and physically, arrived in Frankfurt shortly after noon today, 12 hours after their rescue. A huge crowd applauded as the hostages returned after five frightening days in the hands of four hijackers. But there was no cheering in deference to Juergen Schumann, captain of the hijacked plane, who was shot to death several hours before the rescue.

One male hostage said the worst moment was one Sunday when the hijack

leader, known only as "Mahmoud," shot and killed Schumann. "This was the worst moment," the hostage said.

"The captain was shot in the head in front of our eyes, after being forced by the gangster leader to kneel in the middle of the aisle.

"From that moment on we had no hope of being rescued."

"My God, my God," sobbed one man as he embracing his wife, who had been a captive only hours earlier.

As they walked down the steps of the plane, the former hostages' faces were lined with fatigue. Some sobbed. Only a few managed feeble waves.

Officials of Stuttgart's maximum se-

curity prison opened an investigation to determine how Baader and Raape got pistols and how they learned of the raid at Mogadishu which dashed their hopes of getting out of the prison where they were serving life terms for terrorist raids that killed several U.S. soldiers.

The raid came 90 minutes before a deadline the hijackers set for blowing up the plane with their hostages.

Using special grenades that create a blinding flash and deafening noise, 28 men of Unit 9 of the elite Federal Border Troops blew open the Boeing's doors about 2 a.m. local time (7 p.m. EDT Monday), the government said.

The two men and two women hijackers were shot before they could carry out their threat. One raider was wounded and one passenger suffered a heart attack, Bonn said.

Within seven minutes, all the hostages had left the plane.

Lufthansa spokesman Frank Cesarz said the raid had been planned to the last detail. "The men of the Frontier Protection Troops had trained for a long time on an aircraft of the same type," he said.

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Back to safety

Freed hostages of hijacked Lufthansa 727 leave the aircraft that brought them back to Frankfurt Tuesday after they were rescued by West German commandos in a raid at Mogadishu, Somalia.

Detente 'thaw' limited, fragile

By JIM ANDERSON

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Administration officials Tuesday cautioned against over-rating the signs of improvement in U.S.-Soviet relations, suggesting the advances are limited and fragile.

"Soviet-American relations are better than they were," a senior American official told reporters. "The reason is that Strategic Arms Limitation Talks have been central as far as the Soviets are concerned."

President Carter said last week he has been "encouraged by the outlook for American-Soviet cooperation" as evidenced by progress in the SALT talks.

Nonetheless, State Department officials say U.S.-Soviet antagonisms run so deep and are so enduring that any improvement created by a SALT agreement will not bring fundamental changes.

One official said, for example, that the Soviets are continuing their microwave bombardment of the U.S. embassy in Moscow despite American

protests, and are also keeping up their systematic harassment of U.S. diplomats and journalists in the Soviet Union.

Others said an illustration of the double-edged Soviet approach came Monday in the Soviet Union's two most prestigious newspapers.

Pravda, the Communist party paper, published encouraging comments about growing U.S.-Soviet accord in SALT negotiations. But Izvestia, the government organ, accused the United States of increasing its "ideological and psychological warfare" against the Soviet bloc.

And Red Star, the defense ministry paper, accused "the U.S. military-industrial complex ... of making feverish attempts to impose another round of escalation in creating weapons of mass destruction."

One U.S. official said the Carter administration had succeeded in doing what it planned in the human rights field: "Getting it on the agenda in our relations with the Soviets."

But he said continued public discussion of Soviet human rights violations would accomplish nothing more and might hurt chances for a SALT agreement.

A senior official said the Soviet-American statement on the Middle East, which infuriated the Israelis and their American supporters, was merely a tactical move, and had no real bearing on the larger framework of U.S.-Soviet relations.


He said the United States was merely trying to discourage the Soviets, who are co-chairmen of the Geneva conference and cannot be ignored, from playing a spoilers role in Middle East negotiations.

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Autopsy proves disappointment

By ELAINE OBERLANDER

Laboratory results from an autopsy show no evidence that Lisa Elaine Miller was killed, but they don't indicate how she died, either.

Test results were returned to Sheriff Bob Glick's office Monday afternoon from the state Bureau of Criminal Investigation lab in Des Moines. The autopsy was performed last Monday on Miller, 15, of 648 S. Central, who was found dead the day before in a wooded area off Sullivan Slough Rd. about 3 1/2 miles south of Burlington.

Lab results and a report from the pathologist conducting the autopsy were a "disappointment," Glick said Tuesday. "We don't have a homicide. I'm not sure what we have."

Autopsy findings and lab testing were inconclusive on cause of death, showing "nothing which would have been indicative of a homicide or violence," Glick said.

Blood seen on Miller's face at the scene is thought to be the result of natural membrane breakdown in the nose and mouth area after death, according to tests, Glick said.

A state toxicologist's report showed no traces of drugs in Miller's blood, Glick said, but he said there are "a number of drugs that are not discernible in the bloodstream."

Autopsy results, including evidence

of fluid in Miller's lungs, were "not inconsistent" with conditions of death by drug overdose, viral pneumonia or exposure, Glick said.

Glick said he couldn't say if Miller had a history of drug use. "I'm not at liberty to discuss her personal history," he said.

Miller was last seen alive, according to confirmed reports, in Burlington at 6 p.m. the Friday before her body was found, Glick said.

Investigation into the incident has shown that Miller was taken to the Sullivan Slough area by someone, Glick said, but added that officials don't know if she was dead or alive at that time.

"I'm satisfied that she didn't get where she was by herself," Glick said.

Citizens have been cooperative in reporting information about Miller, said Glick, who renewed his request for anyone having seen her to call his office.

Sheriff's officers and state BCI agents will continue their investigation and will try to retrace Miller's steps during her last week, Glick said. Investigation has been made more difficult by the "rumor and conjecture surrounding this situation," Glick said.

"If the pathologists in the laboratory can't explain the death, I'm at a loss to do so," Glick said.

Low mass for Bing

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — A pre-dawn low mass was said today for Bing Crosby in a short, simple Catholic service attended only by his immediate family, a few co-workers and three of his closest entertainment friends.

Then the famed crooner, who died Friday following a game of golf in Spain, was laid to rest alongside his parents and his first wife, actress Dixie Lee.

Only Bob Hope, Phil Harris and Rosemary Clooney from the entertainment world attended the mass at St. Paul the Apostle's rectory chapel which held fewer than 30 mourners.

The singer's widow, Kathryn, wearing a long black dress with a silk black veil, was flanked by their three children, Harry, 19, Nathaniel, 15, and

Mary Frances, 17. Crosby's four sons from his first marriage, Dennis, Philip, Gary and Lindsay, sat nearby.

The services were led by Father Elwood Kaiser but some members of the family participated, leading in the reading of the 23rd psalm and prayers.

Crosby's body was in a simple mahogany casket. A large display of roses was the only adornment in the chapel.

The public was not invited to the mass which started at 6 a.m. PDT and lasted exactly 40 minutes. It was over by dawn.

Following the mass, Crosby's body was taken to the Holy Cross Cemetery seven miles away for burial. His six sons were the pall bearers.

Father Kaiser led the mourners in the Lord's Prayer during a five-minute graveside service.

'Scare tactic' complaint

College teachers angry over 'coincidence'

By TONI CORNELIUS

WEST BURLINGTON — Perhaps it was only a coincidence, but college teachers are angry about it.

Representatives of the SCC Higher Education Assn., the teacher's bargaining unit, learned during an arbitration hearing Monday that they had lost a prohibited practice complaint filed after 33 teachers received notice last March that their contracts were being recommended for termination.

The Hawk Eye and radio station KBUR were notified of the decision Monday morning before the hearing, but the teachers did not know until board attorney Terry Loesch mentioned it in his opening statement at the hearing.

"Not only that," said an angry Art Hall, chief negotiator for the teachers, "but I talked to (Iowa State Education Assn. attorney) Charlie Gribble last week and he told me that the decision would not be filed until after the arbitration hearing so as not to influence the decision of the panel.

"Isn't it funny that they should decide to announce it the same day as the arbitration hearing," Hall continued. "I think that's pushing coincidence a bit too far."

Gribble was not available Tuesday morning for comment.

Arbitration is being held to settle vacation and overtime issues in the 1977-78 contract. Teachers are now working under a contract that expired June 30. (Related story, Page 3.)

Teachers contended that the issuance of termination notices to 47% of the association's members was a union busting tactic aimed at forcing the teachers to settle a 1977-78 contract.

Administration blamed potential financial problems caused by teacher salary demands for the terminations. That many of the teachers who received termination notices were union members was not intentional, administrators said.

Despite earlier claims of financial trouble, all teach-

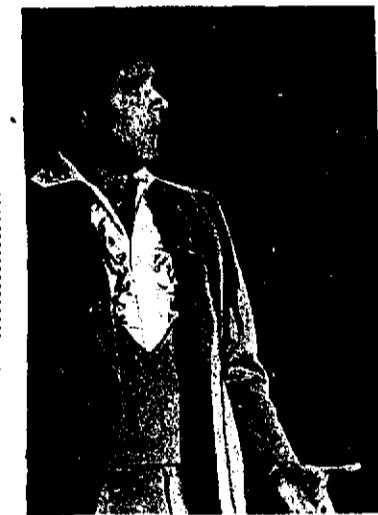
Vote starts slow

Voting was a little slow in a check of city precincts Tuesday morning.

Polls will remain open for the primary until 8 p.m. for residents to choose 10 finalists for the Nov. 8 general election. Voters will narrow the field of 20 candidates for mayor, and commissioners of parks and public property, finance, streets, and public safety.

By mid-morning, precincts 14 and 15 (Sunnyside school) reported 127 persons voting, fewer than the recent cable TV vote.

North Hill school (precinct 2) had 74 persons casting ballots; Autumn Heights (precinct 13), 125; Washington school (precinct 12) 54; Perkins school (precinct 8) 142; James Madison (precinct 7) 138.



Rich Little, impressionist and purveyor of good humor, appeared at Burlington's Memorial auditorium Monday night. Review, Page 14.

One Senate committee is going to investigate another Senate committee to find out who leaked secret information that the U.S. government was bugging Panamanian treaty negotiators. Story, Page 10.

For the Record, obituaries and Hawk Eye Happenings appear on Page 8.

Just who's who in the bargaining unit at Southeastern Community college has hung up arbitration on a new contract for teachers there. Story, Page 3.

Flood plain ordinance for Burlington received city council approval on its first reading Monday night. Story, Page 3.



Lou Brewer, warden of the state penitentiary, termed the inmate organized Church of the New Song a "communist front union organization" during a federal hearing in Iowa City. Story, Page 2.

Income coming up

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The average income of Americans rose 0.8% in September, the Commerce Department said today.

A department analyst said technical adjustments from August and payroll gains resulting from the end of a coal strike appeared to be two chief factors in the \$12 billion increase.

The survey figures personal income of every American — includ-

ing babies — from all sources, including payrolls, investments, Social Security and welfare.

Farmers were the only group with less income in September than in August. The department said farm income dipped \$100 million for the sixth consecutive monthly decline.

The \$12 billion increase was an acceleration from the \$7.7 billion gain in August.

Cash and capture rule at zoo sale

WORCESTER, England (UPI) — Dudley Zoo is selling its lions, tigers, bears and deadly snakes to prospective buyers brave enough to catch their purchases themselves.

The zoo is closing down Dec. 4 and the keepers, who will be out of work, are refusing to help in the sale.

"We will absolutely refuse to move the animals," said Graham Chilton, the zoo's senior union official.

The 40-year-old zoo, one of Britain's largest, houses 1,500 animals and reptiles. It is owned by a London-based investments company.

"Only I can handle the poisonous cobras and rattlesnakes," Chilton said, adding, "as for the lions, tigers and bears, whoever wants them will have to risk catching them themselves."