

News In Brief

House panel backs Carter on Olympics

WASHINGTON (AP)—A House committee approved a resolution on Wednesday backing President Carter's drive to have the Moscow Olympic Games moved, canceled or boycotted if the Soviet Union does not withdraw its troops from Afghanistan within a month.

The action by the House Foreign Affairs Committee came by voice vote. Rep. Clement J. Zablocki, D-Wis., the panel's chairman, said he expected approval by the full House on Thursday or Friday.

The move came after Robert J. Kane, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee, testified that the Carter administration's suggested boycott is an ill-advised, go-it-alone stance that is unpopular around the world.

Soviets: Sakharov banished for security

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet government newspaper accused dissident leader Andrei D. Sakharov on Wednesday of having revealed state secrets to Westerners and said he was banished from Moscow for national security reasons. Sakharov later sent a telegram saying, "Everything all right."

Izvestia's toughly worded denunciation of Sakharov was the fullest authoritative explanation of the government's action against the Nobel Peace Prize winner, who was picked up by police Tuesday, stripped of his state honors and exiled from Moscow.

Relatives and friends said Wednesday night that Sakharov and his wife Yelena Bonner Sakharov sent telegrams from Gorky 250 miles east of here, an industrial center closed to foreign visitors and foreign reporters.

Khomeini admitted for heart problems

French radio reported Wednesday night that 79-year-old Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini had been admitted to the cardiology department of Reza hospital in Tehran with a heart problem.

The report quoted a Khomeini spokesman in the holy city of Qom, Iran, where the ayatollah lives, and gave no further details.

Khomeini's doctors said earlier Wednesday that his condition is good. The statement, broadcast on Tehran radio, came after Khomeini's office in Qom, 100 miles south of Tehran, said he would continue foregoing appointments because of fatigue and a mild illness.

Meanwhile, Iran's foreign minister insisted that deposed Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi had been placed under detention by Panamanian authorities preparing his return to Iran. He dismissed denials by various Panamanians, saying they were false reports.

Renwick roast in Great Hall

A roast for Hayden B. Renwick, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will be held at 7 p.m. today in Great Hall of the Carolina Union.

Renwick has gained widespread attention as an outspoken critic of the University's admissions policy and the lack of an office for minority and disadvantaged students.

The roast will include dinner and performances by the Opeyo Dancers and Ebony Readers. Tickets can be purchased for \$4 from members of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

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Hunt and Lake enter gubernatorial race

RALEIGH (AP)—Democratic Gov. Jim Hunt and Republican State Sen. I. Beverly Lake Jr. both formally entered the 1980 race for governor Wednesday, with Hunt promising a positive campaign and Lake calling for repeal of the gubernatorial succession amendment.

Lake also called for Hunt to join him in a debate, and Hunt said he would accept appropriate invitations to appear on the same stage with Lake during the course of the campaign.

The two men officially became candidates within minutes of each other by paying their \$500 filing fees to state Elections Board Director Alex Brock. One other candidate for governor, former Democratic Gov. Bob Scott, has already entered the race and will meet Hunt in the May 6 Democratic primary.

Hunt is the first North Carolina governor eligible to seek a second, consecutive four-year term. It was with Hunt's strong backing that the General Assembly approved and voters ratified the constitutional amendment allowing gubernatorial succession in 1977.

Although Scott supported the amendment during his administration and at the time Hunt pushed for it, he has since called for its repeal.

"I also support repeal of Governor Hunt's succession amendment. The succession issue was passed by only 13.5 percent of our registered voters and then very narrowly," Scott said, referring to the low voter turnout at that 1977 referendum.

In a prepared speech, Lake repeatedly quoted criticisms leveled at Hunt by Scott, including charges that Hunt is practicing "politics of power," is promoting his national ambitions and is backed by an organization that seeks to dominate North Carolina politics.

Lake said he wanted to debate Hunt and Scott, even before the Democratic primary.

Hunt referred to his record during three years as governor and declined to respond to Lake's pointed charges. But Hunt said he would participate in joint appearances with Lake during the campaign. "I look forward to that contrasting," he said.

Hunt cited as the accomplishments of his administration economic growth, competency testing in public schools and a small tax cut. He said future reductions of class size are needed in the schools.

Holmes declines to run

By ANGIE DORMAN
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North Carolina representative Ed Holmes, D-Chatham, announced Tuesday that he would not seek a fifth term.

Holmes said he had mixed emotions about his decision not to run for reelection.

"My business and family situations are such that I just decided I shouldn't run again," Holmes said. "It was a tough decision to make."

"I hope we can get someone from Chatham County."

Five residents in the 17th District are considering candidacies for the N.C. General Assembly.

Wallace Kaufman, a Pittsboro writer, real estate appraiser and owner of Heartwood Realty in Carrboro, filed Tuesday morning for the 17th District's Democratic primary race.

Chapel Hill attorney Joe Hackney said he would make up his mind in a few days on whether he would enter the race.

"I'm interested to see what Chatham County residents think about me as a candidate," said Hackney, who grew up in Chatham County.

Robert Gunn, a Chatham County

attorney, said Wednesday that he was waiting to see who would file for candidacy.

"I'm interested in Chatham County. I'm waiting to see who else will decide to run," Gunn said.

Bobbette Eckland, purchasing agent for the town of Chapel Hill, also is considering entering the Congressional race.

Eckland worked on several campaigns for former Chapel Hill Mayor Howard Lee.

Eckland has supported passage of the Equal Rights Amendment and is a delegate to the Womens Political Caucus' national committee.

The Reverend James Riddle, pastor of the Chapel Hill Community Church, said he also would consider entering the race for the 17th Congressional District.

Riddle was re-elected to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education in November. He also served on the Joint Orange Chatham Community Action (JOCCA) Board of Directors.

Riddle is currently chairman of the Orange County Democratic Party.

Orange County Commissioner Anne Barnes is also a possible candidate for the State House of Representatives or the state Senate. Two of Barnes' associates said she was considering both races.

Carter

recommendation for the renewal of registration.

In the past, the White House has said Carter has authority to require registration without congressional action. But he does not have authority to institute a draft unilaterally.

Carter said, "The Soviet Union is now attempting to consolidate a strategic position that poses a grave threat to the free movement of Middle East oil."

Asserting that the situation "demands careful thought, steady nerves and resolute action," he called for "collective efforts to meet this new threat" by all nations "who rely on oil from the Middle East and are concerned with global peace and stability."

In a key declaration, the president said: "Any attempt by any outside force to gain control of the Persian Gulf region will be regarded as an assault on the vital interests of the United States. It will be repelled by use of any means necessary, including military force."

The administration official who briefed reporters on Carter's remarks, said, "We are not headed for an immediate confrontation" with the Soviets and that the president's message was "not a bugle call." He said the

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president was looking toward a long-term foreign strategy.

Promising to "further strengthen political and military ties with other nations" around the Persian Gulf, Carter said: "We believe that there are no irreconcilable differences between us and any Islamic people. We respect the faith of Islam, and are ready to cooperate with all Moslem countries."

Noting that "the Moslem world is especially and justifiably outraged" by Soviet actions in Afghanistan, Carter added: "Verbal condemnation is not enough. The Soviet Union must pay a concrete price for their aggression. The Soviet Union must realize that its decision to use military force in Afghanistan will be costly to every political and economic relationship it values."

Although foreign crises dominated Carter's remarks, he touched upon what he has termed the nation's No. 1 domestic problem—inflation.

Citing skyrocketing world oil prices as the biggest single factor behind a current annual inflation rate of about 13 percent, the president said, "We must take whatever actions are necessary to reduce our dependence on foreign oil—and to reduce inflation."

Draft reinstatement may apply to women

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Carter announced plans Wednesday night for registration of the nation's draft-age youth and a rebuilding of the dormant Selective Service System in readiness for possible future military emergencies, "if they arise."

Carter's action marks a reversal of his administration's flat opposition, expressed only a half-year ago, to peacetime registration.

"I am convinced that our volunteer forces are adequate for our current defense needs," Carter told Congress in a State of the Union speech in which he threw a U.S. security blanket around the oil-producing Persian Gulf region.

"I hope that it will not become necessary to reimpose the draft," Carter said. But, he added, "we must be prepared for that possibility."

Although the president can order registration in peacetime, he cannot start actual inductions without congressional approval.

Administration officials said the president now has legal authority to start up registration of young men, but would require specific congressional permission to register young women as well.

They said that the question of whether to draft women is still open, along with many details on how the peacetime registration would be conducted. Less than a year ago, however, Carter

indicated that drafting women may be "inevitable."

Officials indicated that those between the ages of 18 and 26 would be subject to such registration, but that not all necessarily would be required to do so. It might depend on the perceived need for certain numbers of draftees to back up the regular forces in a war emergency.

Officials said plans call for building an entire new network of draft boards—about 1,800 at the local level, 434 area officials and 97 appeals boards. But they were unprepared to say how the board members would be selected, trained and directed.

As things now stand, officials said there will be no draft physicals following registration and that such things as classifications and determination of draft exemptions are "down the line."

About \$10 million will be requested to modernize the Selective Service recordkeeping using computers. Some of the money also will be used to train draft board members.

Senior military officers, long dubious that the Army National Guard and Reserve could respond quickly enough to deploy in emergencies, have urged peacetime registration of draft-age males and creation of a "standby draft machinery."

Otherwise, they contended, the new manpower that would flow from the draft through the training camps and to the combat units might come too late to avoid defeat in a war with the Soviet Union.

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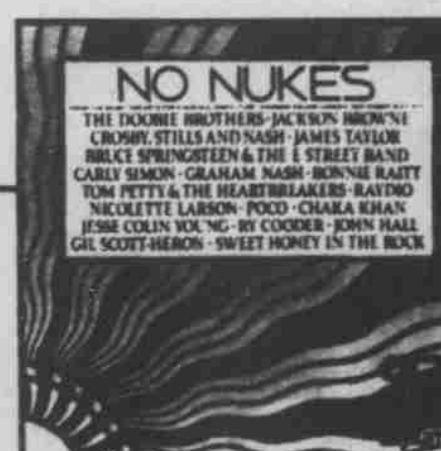
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