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Committee recommends expulsion

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate ethics committee voted unanimously Monday to recommend expulsion of Sen. Harrison A. Williams Jr. for "ethically repugnant" conduct in the Abscam case.

But the committee noted that the New Jersey Democrat has motions pending before the court where he was found guilty May 1 on bribery and conspiracy charges. As a result, it recommended that the Senate take no action on its expulsion recommendation until those motions have been acted on.

The Senate is the final judge in disciplinary matters but if it adopted the committee's recommendation Williams would become the 16th senator to be thrown out by his colleagues. Fourteen of the previous 15 expulsions came in 1861 and 1862 of senators who supported the Confederacy in the Civil War. Williams, 61, is serving his 23rd year in the Senate.

The action came at the end of a seven-hour closed door meeting of the Senate Select Committee on Ethics. The panel, three Republicans and three Democrats, questioned Williams' lawyer, Kenneth Feinberg, and his own special counsel, Robert Bennett, for about three hours before beginning deliberations.

Williams was the only senator implicated in the government's Abscam investigation. Six members of the House were convicted on various charges in the case. One, Rep. Michael Myers, D-Pa., was expelled; two resigned and the others were defeated for re-election either in primaries or general elections.

Williams has indicated he would fight an effort to oust him from the Senate, saying that while he may have made errors of judgment, he violated no laws.

Expulsion is the most serious penalty which the committee may recommend, but it could also decide censure, reprimand or no penalty at all are in order.

In its most recent disciplinary case, the Senate denounced former Sen. Herman Talmadge, D-Ga., in 1979 for financial misconduct. Talmadge was defeated in a subsequent re-election effort.

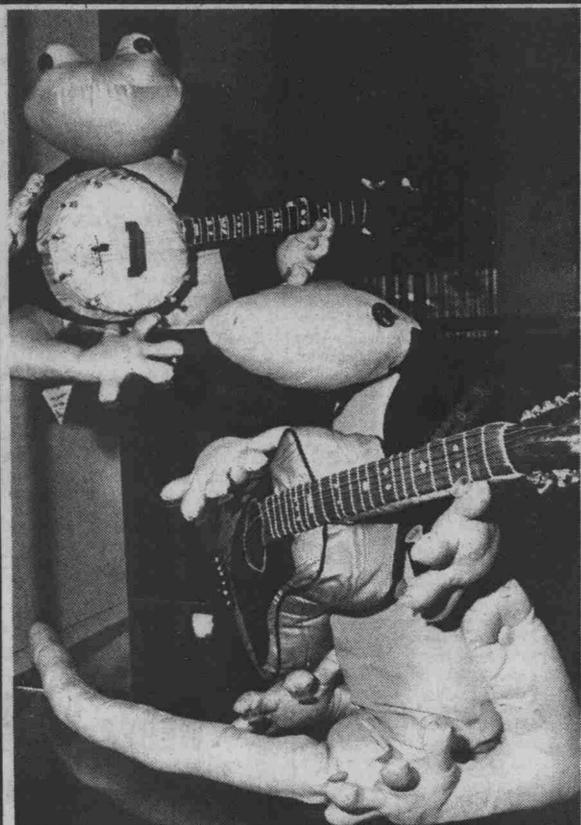
A federal jury found Williams guilty May 1 on bribery and conspiracy charges in connection with Abscam, the undercover operation in which FBI agents and other operatives posed as representatives of wealthy Arab businessmen who were said to be willing to pay for favors from public officials.

Williams was accused of agreeing to use his influence to steer contracts to a mining venture in which he had a hidden interest in an effort to get a \$100 million loan for the mine.

The committee conducted three days of hearings in July to hear the evidence against Williams and the senator's defense.

As the committee deliberated, Feinberg declined to discuss what he said in his final argument to the panel, but said his mood was one of "apprehension either way."

He confirmed that he had told the committee earlier that while sanctions may be timely and appropriate, expulsion is not.



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Lizard Flatt and Earl Frogs 'strumming' along in Union ... these soft-sculpture reptiles inhabit the showcases.

Lizard Licks' exhibition being displayed in Union

By SUSAN HUDSON
DTH Staff Writer

Leapin' lizards!

The Union has been overrun with reptiles. Carmen and the Cowpoke are dancing to the music of Lizard Flatt and Earl Frogs while some other lizards and frogs sun and get prepped out.

All this amphibious activity is part of an exhibition by Lizard Licks, a craft gallery located in Key West, Fla. and Durham.

Judith Bradford and her partner, Reen Stanhouse, started making the lizards about two years ago. They were running a waterfront gallery in Key West when they decided that they needed a logo for their store ads in newspapers.

"There are a lot of lizards in Key West," Bradford said. "They're not harmful and they're real cute." So the lizard was the natural choice for the store's mascot. To coordinate the ad campaign, Bradford designed a stuffed cloth lizard with suction cups on its fingers and toes so it could be displayed in the shop's windows.

But the gallery burned down later and now Bradford and Stanhouse concentrate entirely on stuffed animals. Stanhouse recently designed a frog to accompany Bradford's lizard. The partners have a half dozen production workers at the Key West office to help create these animals.

Lizard Licks, whose name was inspired by the small town outside Raleigh, sells most of its standard designs wholesale. One very popular line of stuffed animals is the Celebrity Series. In addition to Earl Frogs and Lizard Flatt, there are Froggy Avalon, Frog Sinatra, Elizabeth Taylor as Cleopatra and Arnold Swartzalizard.

Arnold Swartzalizard also fits into another category at Lizard Licks. He is an Anatomically Correct Lizard. That means he comes complete with male "parts" (modestly covered with a blue jock strap) and applied muscles. Male and female Anatomically Correct Lizards are designed to fit together.

"One day we took some of them out in the backyard and took some soft porn shots," Bradford said.

Many of the lizards are custom designed and made. "People call up and ask us to create caricatures of individuals," Bradford said. The partners use information from the caller to create a lizard caricature of the individual.

All of the lizard designs are copyrighted. Although there are many new designs in the works, the Preppies are the latest to go into production.

The animals range in price from \$65 to \$75. The only local store that carries them is the John Cage Gallery in Durham.

Reagan begins plan to sell AWACs to Saudi Arabia

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan, beginning his first foreign policy battle with Congress, notified lawmakers Monday of plans for a \$8.5 billion arms sale to Saudi Arabia that included five sophisticated AWACS radar planes.

If Congress goes along, it would be the largest U.S. arms sale ever made to another nation. The Boeing-made AWACS — for Airborne Warning and Control Systems — and support equipment alone are priced at \$5.8 billion.

Reagan's decision to move ahead assures a foreign policy fight with Congress, where a majority in both houses have indicated opposition. Israel also is strongly opposed.

In a letter to Congress, the administration made clear it would attempt to justify the sale as necessary to protect vital U.S. interests, especially the oil fields, from threats by the Soviet Union and other hostile nations, such as Libya.

"It will help ensure continued Western access to vital Persian Gulf oil," said a letter from the Defense Department to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. "By enhancing Saudi Arabia's ability to intercept hostile aircraft, the sale will reduce the probability of major power confrontation in this region."

The AWACS, which are modified Boeing 707s capable of providing aerial surveillance of up to 400 aircraft, from 350 miles, previously had not been sold outside the United States and Europe, although the government had contracted to sell some to Iran prior to the shah's ouster.

The Saudi arms package also includes six KC-707 aerial refueling tankers, ground radar stations, 1,177 Sidewinder missiles and fuel tanks to increase the offensive capability of 62 F-15 jets ordered by the Saudis.

Ingram, Edmisten

Officials undecided

By DEAN LOWMAN
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Neither State Insurance Commissioner John Ingram or State Attorney General Rufus Edmisten have decided whether to run for governor in 1984, spokesmen for the two men said Monday.

Several reports have surfaced recently hinting that both men would vie for the job in 1984.

"Mr. Ingram hasn't made any firm plans yet," said Oscar Smith, Ingram's press secretary. "He's still listening to his public, his supporters, who have urged him to consider running."

"Of course, they have also asked him to consider running for the (U.S.) Senate and for another term as insurance commissioner," Smith said.

A report published Friday quoted sources close to Ingram as saying that a formal announcement of his candidacy would be made before the Vance-Aycock Democratic fund-raising dinner in Asheville Oct. 3.

"He's made no formal announcement, but it's my opinion that he will probably run for governor," said Robert L. Wray Jr., a longtime friend of Ingram and director of engineering and consumer affairs in the Insurance Department.

Ingram could not be reached for comment Monday.

Although a published report Sunday said Edmisten was planning to seek the gubernatorial post in 1984, a spokesman for Edmisten said Monday that, "no formal announcement is planned at this time."

Press Secretary Mike Carmichael said Edmisten, like Ingram, had been getting a lot of support and encouragement

from friends. However, he has not made his mind up as yet, Carmichael said.

"If he does decide to run, he probably won't announce his candidacy until 1983," Carmichael said.

Edmisten has scheduled his annual fund-raising dinner for the Royal Villa in Raleigh this weekend. "He expects to raise about \$50,000 — quite a large amount for a non-election year," Carmichael said.

He added the funds would be used to finance Edmisten's political campaign committee which he maintains "in order to comply with state election laws."

The Ingram story did not say with which party ticket Ingram would run. However, its source, who asked not to be identified, said, "The independent ticket is coming up strong, you know."

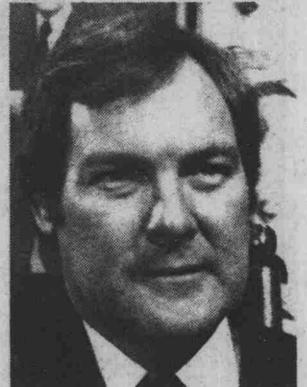
Meanwhile, Wray said he thought Ingram was a "dyed-in-the-wool Democrat."

Ingram, of Greensboro, was elected to the House of Representatives as a state representative in 1971, the only Democrat from the 27th House District. He won the Democratic nomination for the Office of Commissioner of Insurance in June 1972 and was elected in the General Election of 1972. Since then, Ingram has bid for several positions in state and national offices, most recently losing to Sen. Jesse Helms for a spot in the U.S. Senate in 1978.

If Edmisten decides to run, he is expected to compete on the Democratic ticket.



Edmisten



Ingram

In Lennon's death

Chapman sentenced for murder

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mark David Chapman, remaining silent except to read aloud from "The Catcher in the Rye," was sentenced Monday to 20 years to life in prison for killing former Beatle John Lennon.

The prosecution said Chapman, a 26-year-old former mental patient, murdered the singer-songwriter last Dec. 8 for "self-aggrandizement ... to steal someone else's fame."

But Chapman's lawyer insisted to the last that the murder was an insane act and that his client was not mentally competent when he pleaded guilty on June 22.

The minimum possible penalty for murder under New York law is 15 years to life, and the maximum is 25 years to life. Chapman must serve 20 years before becoming eligible for parole.

The defendant's only statement was to read a passage from the popular J.D. Salinger novel, which he carried with him the night he fired four bullets from a .38-caliber pistol into Lennon outside the Dakota, the luxury Manhattan apartment building where the musician lived with his wife and son.

Chapman, wearing a bulletproof vest under a blue pull-over shirt, read along a passage in which the book's young hero, Holden Caulfield, visualizes thousands of children in a field of rye oblivious to danger.

"I keep picturing all these little kids playing some game in this big field of rye and all," Chapman read. "Thousands of little kids, and nobody's around — nobody big I mean — except me. And I'm standing on the edge of some crazy cliff. What I have to do, I have to catch everybody if they start to go over the cliff — I mean, if they're running and they don't look where

they're going I have to come out from somewhere and catch them. That's all I'd do all day. I'd just be the catcher in the rye."

Following the sentencing, Chapman's lawyer, Jonathan Marks, said his client said nothing more, "and he said he does not plan to talk anymore."

He said the significance of the passage was that the hero felt the world is phony and "children should be saved from adulthood."

Marks said he would not file an appeal unless Chapman asked him to.

Chapman will be taken to Sing Sing prison in Ossining for processing Tuesday before being moved to an upstate prison to serve his term.

Acting State Supreme Court Justice Dennis Edwards rejected Marks' contention that the killing was an insane act, saying it was "an intentional crime, a crime carefully planned and executed. He knew what he was doing."

The judge added he had no doubt that Chapman would benefit from psychiatric attention and said he would recommend it.

Prosecutor Allen Sullivan, in urging that Chapman get "more than the minimum," said the defendant had "no real sorrow for having executed another human being."

"He wanted to steal someone else's fame, someone else's attention, in this case, John Lennon's," said Sullivan.

In a morning-long hearing before the sentencing, Marks presented testimony from a psychiatrist who characterized the murder as Chapman's "psychiatric substitute for suicide."

The witness, Dr. Daniel Schwartz, said Chapman had projected the shortcomings of his own life onto Lennon and then "killed himself psychologically" by killing the former Beatle.

He described Chapman as a "chronic paranoid schizophrenic."

At a hearing June 22, Marks' planned insanity defense evaporated when Chapman told the judge that God had directed him to confess to killing Lennon.

Schwartz, the head of forensic psychiatry at Kings County Hospital, said Chapman had a long-term obsession with Lennon, author of many of the Beatles' hit songs, and at one point started to believe he himself was Lennon.

Schwartz said Chapman also was a born-again Christian who believed "right and wrong is decided in a struggle of God and God's angels, a struggle for possession of his (Chapman's) will."

Prosecutors have maintained Chapman came here from his Honolulu home for the sole purpose of killing Lennon, not from a long-time obsession but to "draw a lot of attention to himself," as Sullivan said.

Chapman got Lennon to autograph an album when the singer left his apartment in the afternoon, then stayed nearby until just before midnight to shoot Lennon when he returned with his wife, Yoko Ono.

Chapman often used Lennon's name in place of his own prior to the Dec. 8 shooting, and had stalked the popular singer for several days before the murder.

Lennon and his wife were returning that evening from putting on the finishing touches to his last album, "Double Fantasy," which became a hit record in part because of Lennon's death.

Fordham in exceptional health after recovering from last year's stroke

By MARK SCHOEN
DTH Staff Writer

Chancellor Christopher C. Fordham III has made "wonderful progress" in his rehabilitation from the stroke he suffered in December 1980, a Fordham aid said Monday.

Fordham, who was admitted to N.C. Memorial Hospital on Dec. 21 after complaining of weakness on his left side, has been able to resume his duties with the University, Brenda Kirby, and administrative assistant in the Chancellor's office said.

"He's coming into work everyday and is back to full speed," she said. "He's just as active now as he was before."

"He is simply doing wonderful," she added.

Among Fordham's recent activities were welcoming new students to UNC and attending the recent Board of Trustees meeting in Kill Devil Hills. That was a good indication of the extent of the Chancellor's recovery, Kirby said.

"He did all sorts of orientation work and went out to the freshman camp," she said. "He really has been able to keep a full schedule of appointments."

Fordham, who assumed his post when N. Ferebee Taylor resigned in

1980 for health reasons, was admitted to intensive care after the stroke. He began the rehabilitation process and was released from the hospital on Jan. 23.

By March Fordham was able to complete some of his work at home.

Describing the Chancellor as determined and anxious to work, Kirby said there was little doubt he could resume his full duties quickly.

"The doctors and people he has worked with say he's done wonderful," she said. "His job is his life and he's never really away from his work."

During the recent Board of Trustees meeting in Kill Devil Hills, Fordham was able to cope with his "demanding schedule," Student Body President Scott Norberg said.

"I met with him fairly often and he seems to be doing very well," he said. "I'm sure he's back at full strength."

Fordham, a Greensboro native, is UNC's sixth chancellor. Before assuming his current position, he was Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs.

Despite Fordham's heavy schedule, Kirby said, he had been able to find time for meeting students and taking part in extracurricular activities.

"He's a very student-oriented person," she said. "He's even been able to find time to play golf."