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Egil Krogh suspended from law

OLYMPIA, Wash. — The Washington State Supreme Court Monday suspended Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr., who began a six-month sentence Monday, from the practice of law. The court order signed by Chief Justice Frank Hale said Krogh — a former deputy assistant for domestic affairs to President Nixon — is suspended until final disposition of disciplinary proceedings against him by the state bar association. He said the court made its determination on the basis of a judgement entered by the U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C.

Nader's raiders zero in on Czar

WASHINGTON—Consumer advocate Ralph Nader said Monday he would make an investigation of the Federal Energy Office "to see how much influence" the oil industry exerts on the agency. Energy Chief William E. Simon said he would welcome "Nader's raiders." "We will be pleased to receive the advice and observation of Mr. Nader's office and other organizations that have comments which will help us deal with the energy crisis in an equitable manner," Simon said when informed of Nader's announcement.

IRA bomb blasts British bus

BATLEY, England — A bomb ripped apart a bus packed with British troops, their wives and children Monday returning from weekend holidays. Army officials blamed the blast on the Provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army (IRA). The Defense Ministry said the explosion killed at least 11 persons. The blast tore through the bus shortly before 2 a.m. as it sped along an expressway taking army and air force men and their families back to Yorkshire bases in northern England after weekend outings.

Troop withdrawals continue in Suez

Israel completed the second stage of its withdrawal from the West Bank of the Suez Canal Monday, yielding a 112-square-mile horizontal strip north of the Cairo-Suez highway. On the Golan Heights ceasefire lines, Syria and Israel clashed for the ninth straight day. Diplomatic reports in London said, however, that Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger may go back to the Middle East later this month amid indications of a Syrian willingness to carry out troop disengagement with Israel despite a militant public posture.

Conservation may cost more

CHARLOTTE — Duke Power Customers who have been answering pleas to conserve energy may see their efforts result in higher electricity bills. The reason for the request, the company said, is that conservation has caused demand for power to fall while its costs stay the same. Steve Griffith, Associate Counsel for Duke Power Co., said the additional increase proposal would be "based on budget figures for 1974 and any changes that may occur in these figures as a result of decline in sales." Customer demand for Duke's electricity was about five per cent lower last month than the previous January, because of warm winter weather and conservation. Other utilities have announced plans to seek increases to compensate for drops in business caused by conservation. In December, Public Service Gas Co. of Gastonia applied for a rate increase to offset the 15 per cent cutback in natural gas consumption ordered by the State utilities commission. The company withdrew that request after the commission decided against the cutback. The North Carolina Utilities Commission has given permission to Duke and South Carolina Electric and Gas to pass on rising coal costs to the consumer.

Guard troops join police

Teamsters against truck strike

WASHINGTON — Teamster President Frank E. Fitzsimmons Friday threw the weight of his giant union against the strike by independent truckers and urged state governments to start cracking down on the strikers. He predicted the strikers would not be appeased by government concessions on freight rates and said a militant minority "thirsts for total victory at the expense of everyone else."

More National Guard troops joined police Monday to help stem violence in the strike by independent truckers that spread across almost the entire country, throwing thousands of workers out of jobs and drying up food supplies. With more than 4,000 Guardsmen already patrolling highways in Pennsylvania and Ohio, Michigan Gov. William G. Milliken Monday ordered all that state's Guard helicopters into the air over major truck

routes to help beef up police protection for drivers daring to run a gauntlet of violence. "This is a problem that extends beyond our borders," Milliken said. "But we are taking all necessary steps to prevent violence and intimidation within our borders." Police across the country worked overtime trying to stop what U.S. Attorney General William Saxbe said was violence by some truckers to "bring the country to its knees."

Operators who kept trucking ran the risk of being hit by snipers' bullets, rocks and other missiles in almost every state. Hundreds of shooting incidents were reported nationwide, and police said it was a "miracle" that more drivers were not injured. There has been one death so far and several dozen injuries, most of them minor. In Baltimore, Md., four men were arrested with a 12-gauge shotgun and three Molotov cocktails after a trucking company told police it received a telephoned threat that it would be firebombed if any vehicles were operated. Several states, such as Michigan, Illinois and Ohio provided state police patrol cars to ride "shotgun" for convoys of trucks carrying vital supplies. The impact of the strike by truckers on the nation's industrial and agricultural supply lines was pushing up factory closings. Pennsylvania Gov. Milton Shafer said 50,000 workers had already been laid off because of plant shutdowns, and the figure could grow to 400,000 if the strike goes on much longer.

Nixon seeks record budget

WASHINGTON — Digging in for a fight, President Nixon Monday sent Congress a record \$304.4 billion deficit budget he said could avert recession, curb unemployment and fight inflation at the same time. Democrats began denouncing it at once as fat and inflationary. Nixon conceded it was not very popular with Congress and said he would need cooperation to keep its \$9.4 billion deficit from moving even higher "in the face of economic uncertainty." Minutes after the \$304.4 billion budget was made public, Sen. Frank Church, D-Iowa, and Rep. H.R. Gross, R-Iowa,

introduced resolutions which would kill the 7.5 per cent increase, the first pay increase for the government's top employees since 1969. "We must apply the knife . . . the first cut should be in the new pay raises," Church said, noting it would mean a \$34 million saving. Rep. James O'Hara, D-Mich., said "at a time when the American wage earners are being restricted to pay increases of not more than 5.5 per cent, it is unthinkable for the President to propose increases for high officials that exceed the guidelines being imposed on everyone else."

But Assistant Senate Republican Leader Robert P. Griffin, noting that the cost of living has increased 25 per cent since 1969, said if Congress "does not have the political courage" to vote itself a pay boost, it should do so for the executive and judiciary so they can attract and keep top talent. The proposed pay increase will be killed if either the Senate or House votes a resolution of disapproval within 30 days.

Strike vote passes

LONDON — Britain's 269,000 mineworkers voted by a landslide 81 per cent for a national mines shutdown, their union announced Monday. Union leaders predicted it will start Sunday and Energy Minister Patrick Jenkin called the vote "a tragedy."

The vote meant escalating a 12 weeks-old slowdown, which already has depleted supplies, into a national walkout. Prime Minister Edward Heath has said this would mean economic disaster. "It really is a tragedy that this offer, which most people see as fair, has not been accepted," Jenkin said. He was referring to a 16.5 per cent pay offer by the state-run National Coal Board which would bring basic pay of men working at coal face from \$83.61 weekly to \$90.52 weekly and for lowest paid surface workers from \$58.16 to \$63.45 weekly. The mineworkers demanded 30-35 per cent. Heath met leaders of the 10 million-member Trades Union Congress (TUC), the equivalent of the AFL-CIO, for one more peace bid. Officials said he sought TUC intervention with mineworkers leaders at least to defer the walkout while they discuss setting up an independent board or commission to take a new look at the mineworkers' claims. But political informants said the moment of truth is fast approaching when Heath must decide between a humiliating climbdown or an appeal for a new mandate in a general election. The mineworkers union served notice last week if more than 55 per cent voted for a walkout in a ballot held Tuesday and Friday it would step up the slowdown into a full national coal strike. The slowdown already has slashed coal production 30 per cent. Coupled with the Arab oil cutback it forced the government to put industry on a three-day week.

Nixon refutes Dean

WASHINGTON — The White House said Monday that tapes and evidence "do not support" John W. Dean's sworn testimony linking President Nixon to the Watergate bugging cover-up. Nixon's chief Watergate lawyer, James D. St. Clair, said what the evidence does support is the truth of the President's repeated statements that he knew nothing of the plot to hush up the scandal until last March 21.

But the White House gave no indication if evidence bolstering Nixon's version would be made public — or whether the President would honor special Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworski's still outstanding requests for more documents and tapes to aid his investigation. St. Clair's statement, issued at a White House press briefing, came less than 24 hours after Jaworski said in a nationwide television interview that prosecutors "are aware of no basis for a perjury charge" against Dean, the former White House counsel.

Nixon ordered to testify

LOS ANGELES — A Superior Court judge Monday signed a precedent-setting subpoena ordering President Nixon to testify at the burglary trial of former presidential aide John Ehrlichman. The White House already has indicated Nixon would "respectfully decline" to appear and Attorney General William Saxbe said he would fight the subpoena on grounds it would set a bad precedent. Judge Gordon Ringer said last week he would issue the subpoena because he was persuaded that Nixon was a material witness for the trial of Ehrlichman and two other

former White House aides on charges they gave the orders that led to the break-in of Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatrist's offices. It was the first state court subpoena ever for a President and only the third by any court in the history of the country. No President has ever been compelled by subpoena to give personal testimony.

The subpoena was granted to attorneys for Ehrlichman, Trial for Ehrlichman, G. Gordon Liddy and David Young is set for April 15.

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Crossword Puzzler Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle. ACROSS: 1 Possesses, 4 Frustrate, 8 Chapeau, 11 Lubricate, 12 Poker stake, 13 Merit, 15 Stupor, 17 Swiss river, 19 Maiden loved by Zeus, 20 Make a profit, 21 Residue, 22 Dance step, 23 Sallets, 25 Superlative ending, 26 Part in play, 27 Pronoun, 28 United States (abbr.), 29 Article of furniture, 30 Conjunction, 31 Pretended, 33 Distance measure (abbr.), 36 Pass out of audience, 38 Decay, 37 Capuchin monkey, 39 Fur-bearing, 40 Church bench, 41 Skin ailment, 42 Boss, 43 Airless fluid, 44 Success of handling, 46 Hoar, 48 Emerged victorious, 47 Clever, 50 Ancestor, 52 Bull-like bird, 54 Flying mammal, 55 Boat, 56 Pintail duck, 57 Music: as written. DOWN: 1 Torrid, 2 Ventilator, 3 Inclines, 4 Datum, 5 Number, 6 Pronoun, 7 Smallest number, 8 Pronoun, 9 Cooled lava, 10 Test, 14 Part of face, 16 Born, 18 Exclamation, 21 Consume, 22 Seed container, 23 The urial, 24 Three-toed sloth, 25 Worm, 26 Communist, 28 Employ, 29 Wager, 31 Be ill, 32 Cut, 33 Cooling device, 34 Cravat, 35 Parent (colloq), 37 Rubs hand in washing, 38 Juncture, 39 Go in, 40 Trousers, 41 River island, 43 Proceed, 44 Slave, 46 Damp, 47 Exit, 48 Make face, 49 Greek letter, 51 Symbol for telephony, 53 Printer's measure.