

Runner-up blues

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Reagan stable after shooting

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan was shot in the chest Monday by a gunman who also shot and seriously wounded Reagan's press secretary, James S. Brady.

Reagan "galloped through surgery" according to doctors who said the president would be ready to make White House decisions today.

But Brady was said to be "fighting for his life" after a bullet entered his brain.

Dr. Dennis O'Leary said "a really mangled bullet" was removed from Reagan's left lung. He said the president's condition was stable, the prognosis excellent.

Two law officers also were wounded in the mid-afternoon shooting outside a Washington hotel where Reagan had just addressed a union convention. They were reported in serious condition, but apparently not in danger.

A youthful, sandy-haired gunman from suburban Denver was put in handcuffs and arrested moments after he leveled his pistol at the president and fired from near point-blank range.

There was no known motive for the attack.

One eyewitness said the assailant, standing 10 feet from the president, "just opened up and continued squeezing the trigger."

Hours later Reagan was pronounced in good and stable condition after surgery.

At 2:25 p.m. six shots were fired, one hitting Reagan in the left chest, others hitting Brady, a Secret Service agent and a policeman. Secret Service agents and police seized John Warnock Hinckley, Jr., 25 of Evergreen, Colorado.

Hinckley was booked on charges of attempted assassination of a president and of assault with intent to kill a police officer. He was in FBI custody Monday night.



Reagan

Press secretary left critically wounded

The gunman leveled his pistol at Reagan from amid a crowd of reporters and bystanders as the president left the hotel after addressing the AFL-CIO Building Trades Council.

The shots also hit Secret Service agent Timothy J. McCarthy, 31, and policeman Thomas Delahanty, 45. A Secret Service spokesman said McCarthy was in "stable condition on the plus side." He was shot in the chest. Delahanty was wounded at the base of his neck. He was reported in serious condition.

At the time, Vice President George Bush was flying to Austin, Texas. His plane turned back, landing outside Washington at dusk. Bush was flown to the city aboard a helicopter under extraordinary security precautions.

Key Cabinet members and Reagan aides conferred at the White House. With Bush in flight and Reagan in the hospital, Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. told reporters, "As of now I am in control here in the White House pondering the return of the vice president."

At first, the White House said Reagan had not been hit, and that he had gone to the hospital because of Brady's injury. But about an hour after the shooting, aide Lyn Nofziger said Reagan had indeed suffered a chest wound.

Nofziger said Monday night that the first report was erroneous because Reagan's own aides didn't realize he had been wounded.

The shooting was the ninth attempt to assassinate an American President while in office. Four presidents were killed. The attempted assassination of a president is a federal crime carrying a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

"I can reassure this nation and a watching world that the American government is functioning fully," Bush said at the White House Monday night. "We've had full and complete communication throughout the day."

O'Leary said Reagan was "clear of head" after the operation.

"We do not believe there is any permanent injury," he said. O'Leary served as spokesman for two surgeons who operated on Reagan at George Washington University Hospital. Doctors made a 6-inch incision to remove the bullet that had penetrated about three inches into his left lung, missing his heart by several inches.

Reagan's lung collapsed, and the surgeons inserted two chest tubes to restore it.

Reagan was given blood transfusions, about 2½ quarts in all, to replace the blood he lost.

The wounded president walked into the hospital, "alert and awake" if a bit lightheaded, O'Leary said. At 70, the doctor said Reagan "is physiologically very young. He was never in any serious danger."

But Brady was critically wounded. "His condition is critical," the doctor said. He was shot in the side of the forehead, the bullet passing through his brain. "He obviously has significant brain injury and he is in critical condition," O'Leary reported.

He would not speculate on Brady's chances of recovery, but said that it is likely Brady, 40, will suffer permanent brain damage if he survives.

Little was known about the man charged with the Reagan attempt. Hinckley is a son of John W. Hinckley Sr., president of an oil and gas exploration company in Denver. A former high school classmate said Hinckley was unexceptional and "just sort of blended into the crowd."

Hinckley was arrested Oct. 9 at the Nashville airport for carrying handguns. The FBI said he was carrying three weapons that day — while then-President Jimmy Carter was making a campaign appearance in the city.

O'Leary and Nofziger both said Reagan would be able to handle the decision-making duties of

his job Tuesday.

Nofziger said there was no consideration of turning the duties of the office over to Bush under the constitutional provision for presidential disability.

"The president will be fully capable of making decisions tomorrow, according to the doctors," Nofziger said. "In the meantime, the business of government is going on normally and we expect it will continue to."

Dr. Benjamin Aaron and Dr. Joseph Giordano, both of the George Washington University School of Medicine, operated on Reagan.

O'Leary said Reagan might be hospitalized for as long as two weeks, but called that only a guess.

While Reagan was in the operating room, his aides made a point of emphasizing the banter with which he went to surgery.

Reagan winked, Nofziger said, then saw three top staff members and said, "Who's minding the store?"

Upon emerging from surgery, Reagan said, "All in all, I'd rather be in Philadelphia," referring to the NCAA championship final.

The Senate halted legislative business Monday as shocked legislators received news that Reagan had been wounded.

Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., said the "general atmosphere of all of us is one of shock and horror." He said news of the 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy seemed "like only a month ago."

Shortly after news organizations reported the president had been wounded, Senate Majority Leader Howard H. Baker Jr. recessed the Senate, citing the gravity of the situation.

Senators were debating a legislative blueprint for achieving budget reductions recommended by the president when the news came.

Baker told a hushed chamber that Reagan had

been wounded. Later, he said: "We are in recess subject to the call of the chair and I am going to leave us there until I find out how the president is, which probably means until after surgery. Assuming he is well, and I assume he will be well, then I will adjourn us or recess us until tomorrow. Business is done for the day."

North Carolinians reacted with mixed shock, anger and prayers Monday.

"The attempt on the life of the President of the United States has shocked all North Carolinians," said Gov. Jim Hunt en route to the NCAA basketball championship game in Philadelphia. "Our prayers are with him as well as with the other persons who were injured."

Rep. L.H. Fountain, D-N.C., said the shooting showed the nation must take greater precautions to protect the president, including tightening access to make sure "the criminals running around in this country, whether mentally imbalanced or maliciously inclined, do not have close access to the president."



Brady

"We've been a little too easy on this," Fountain said.

Foreign leaders, stunned by the latest assassination attempt against an American president, sent messages to the wounded president expressing their dismay and wishing him a swift recovery.

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher sent a personal message to the president saying she was "praying" he was not seriously wounded.

In Paris, President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing dispatched a telegram that said: "Learning ... you have just been a victim, I wish to express to you my warmest and friendliest wishes for your complete recovery and the pursuit of your activity in the leadership of the United States."

Heels denied national title again

Tar Heel fans 'celebrate' loss in NCAA finals

From Staff Reports

Although disappointment was the dominant mood on Franklin Street Monday night, Tar Heel fans did not pass up the chance to party.

Rowdy students headed downtown shortly after the game, demonstrating that Carolina students are spirited even in defeat. Crowds painted blue hearts on the street that read "Heels are still #1 in our hearts" and "We love you Al" as beer flowed down from the trees.

Computer cards sailed from the top floors of Morrison Dormitory and students, faculty and alumni packed the streets blocked off from the Morehead Planetarium to Granville Towers, on Franklin Street and from the Carolina Inn to the police station on Columbia Street.

"We cheered hard for our team. We love 'em and we're still proud of them. We may be number two in the country but they're still number one in our hearts," said Vicky Pace, a varsity cheerleader who stayed behind the squad to cheer the team on from Chapel Hill.

Disc jockeys blasted James Taylor's inspiring "Carolina In My Mind" over and over from speakers mounted on the roof of Jaspars, which led to dancing in the street.

"The music is getting everyone in a party mood. It's a good excuse for everyone to start drinking. I give them a half hour, and they'll forget that the Tar Heels lost," patrolman Wayne Hoffman said.

Many students agreed that making the tournament finals was more than enough reason to celebrate. "I came up here because of Dean Smith and all the other players. Because even though we lost, we're in second place. It's a lifetime experience."

"I just can't believe we got to the Final Four," one said. And another: "We've had a buzz going all day; no sense wasting it now."

Cameras suspected that many people downtown were most interested in making an appearance on national television. "I've just got to get on TV," one man repeated frantically.

One female camera operator had to be protected by the police from over enthusiastic camera hogs. Apparently, several camera happy males decided that harassing the reporter was the best way to get themselves broadcast from coast to coast.

Unruly fans used the downtown party as an outlet for their anger. "I'm going to Franklin Street, then I'm heading North. I'm going to Indiana. I wanna break something; I wanna break a Hoosier," one student said shortly after the defeat.

Students threw shoes from the windows of Old East and an undergraduate in front of Mangum Dormitory yelled, "Let's hear a little violence."

But police, although apprehensive, expected no major trouble from the partiers. "We may be here all night," one estimated about an hour after the game ended.

Still, many ardent Tar Heel fans came to Franklin Street to fight back tears or at least drown them in a beer or two. "It was a disgrace. The Tar Heels should have won," one dismayed student said.

But even the most distraught managed to join the most often heard cheer: "Wait 'til next year!"

Season ends

At right, Indiana's Isiah Thomas (11) starts to fall with the ball as North Carolina's Sam Perkins tries to block his shot in the NCAA finals in Philadelphia Monday night. The Hoosiers defeated the Heels 63-50, Thomas' 23 points leading the way. Below, Tar Heel fans gather downtown after the game to relieve their sorrows after the team's defeat. In this contest, Budweiser leads the pack: This year was the sixth appearance of a Carolina team in the Final Four since Dean Smith has been coach, the third time in the championship game.



Indiana defeats Heels for NCAA title

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PHILADELPHIA — North Carolina stood at the threshold of a NCAA basketball championship again Monday night, but once again it played bridesmaid as another team shut the door in its face.

This time Bobby Knight's Indiana University Hoosiers took the NCAA championship away from Dean Smith and the Tar Heels with a 63-50 victory over North Carolina at the Spectrum. The story of the game was the Indiana defense, a swarming man-to-man which prevented Carolina from settling into any kind of offensive flow, especially in the second half.

The team is expected to arrive at Raleigh-Durham airport at 4:30 p.m. and at Carmichael Auditorium at 5 p.m. today, according to unconfirmed reports.

Meanwhile, Indiana's All-America point guard Isiah Thomas was picking apart the Tar Heel defense en route to winning the award as the Final Four's most outstanding player.

The attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan had raised some doubts about whether the game would be played at all, but a decision was made early in the evening to proceed as planned.

In addition to Indiana's second half defense, the game turned on Indiana rebounding and the play of Thomas, who had 19 of his game-high 23 points as Indiana outscored Carolina 36-24 in the second half.

"Thomas' second-half performance was just too much," Smith said. "Indiana's defense was very active. I don't think we played as well as we could, but I'm very proud of this year's team. Indiana was better tonight."

"I never thought that we could get here," Knight said. "We hung in there like we have all year. I told them at the half that they had put themselves in a position to win the ball game, and they went out there in the first few minutes of the second half just the way they did Saturday."

The Hoosiers seized control of the game early in the second half. Thomas converted two steals into baskets at the Indiana end in the first two minutes of the half.

The Hoosiers built their lead to 39-30 before Carolina took a time-out with 15:32 left. In addition to a breakaway lay-up at the outset of the half, Thomas hit two more jumpers just before the time-out and had his team rolling.

Thomas continued to run the show, and the Hoosiers built on the lead steadily as the second half progressed. By this time almost perceptibly sensing the opportunity to take a national championship like the one another Indiana team won in the same building in 1976, Indiana became patient on offense, working against the UNC zone for excellent shots.

As happened to Louisiana State against the Hoosiers in the semifinal Saturday, the Tar Heels were almost halted on offense in the second half.

The Indiana lead grew to 11 and stayed near that figure as the clock wound down. The Heels had it down to seven once, but they blew many chances they had to slice into the margin.

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