

Skimpy budgets hurt INS drive

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WASHINGTON — The controversial chief of the Immigration and Naturalization Service said Sunday the administration's anti-inflation program has hampered his agency's drive to stem the flow of illegal immigrants.

INS Commissioner Leonel Castillo, attacked in and out of the immigration agency for his efforts to deport illegal Mexican aliens, said the service has been plagued by skimpy budgets, staff shortages and a lack of automation.

It's heightened by the fact that the public wants, and the president wants, an anti-inflation program, but we have fewer federal employees," Castillo said.

Interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press" program, Castillo said his agency is faced with "the challenge of working smarter and working in a better way and yet dealing with larger workloads at the same time."

Castillo, grandson of a Mexican immigrant, has been attacked south of the border for being too tough on legal aliens and within his own agency for being too soft on them.

Mexican-American groups have attacked him for erecting a sharp "curtain" fence along the Mexican border while some INS

workers have called him a "wet-back" unwilling to act decisively against illegal aliens from the south.

He admitted he erred in putting up nine miles of the controversial fence in border areas of Texas and California. "The design was a mistake and I ordered it changed," he said.

Immigration officials said Saturday engineers are modifying the fence to dull sharp edges that critics have charged could maim the fingers and toes of people trying to scale it.

Castillo conceded he's unhappy with America's current immigration law, but said he's determined to enforce it as best as he can until Congress approves new legislation.

"I think the law should be changed," he said. "But I also feel we have to enforce as best as we can the current law."

He said one change in the law ought to be a provision for illegal aliens — he prefers the term "undocumented immigrants" — to legalize their status after a certain period of residence in the United States.

He said efforts to cut back the officially estimated 3 to 5 million illegal aliens in the United States must also take into consideration "economic development in the sending countries."

Scared mom poisons self, three children

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MEXICO CITY — A mother feared a neighbor's death threat prompted three of her daughters and her to take their own life, Mexican authorities said Saturday. The woman was hospitalized in critical condition.

Police said the woman, Guadalupe Ceballos de Mayorga Lopez, drank a deadly dose of hydrochloric acid mixed with other liquid, then drank a portion of her fourth daughter, Yara Celia, 18, and her mother helped her carry out the body but she survived along with another daughter.

They said Yara Celia told them she and her mother decided on the poisonings after neighbors threatened to kill them by running them down in automobiles. She did not elaborate.

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ADVENTUROUS SPEECH: Lloyd Sunner, traveler and author, will describe his world-wide bicycle trip at 7:30 tonight in Room 206, Memorial Student Center. The free presentation will include slides of wildlife and landscape he saw during the four-year trek.

Tuesday

BILL BUCKLEY: Considered to be one of conservatism's most eloquent, tireless and entertaining voices, William F. Buckley Jr. will speak at 8 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium. He is widely known for his syndicated newspaper column and is editor of National Review magazine. Admission is 50 cents for students and \$1 for non-students. His topic is "Some problems of freedom."

PLANT SEMINAR: James Mahan of the Department of Plant Sciences will discuss "Ethylene and proteolytic enzymes of cotton leaves" at 4 p.m. in Room 113, Plant Sciences Building.

HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION: The club will host a demonstration of Peruvian Paso and Paso Fino horses at 7 p.m. in the Animal Science Pavillion. Non-members are invited to attend the free session.

PRE-MED PRE-DENT SOCIETY: Two professors from the University of Texas Medical School at Houston will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Room 206, MSC. Dr. James "Red" Duke is professor of surgery and one of 12 physicians to be on NBC's "Lifeline" television program. Dr. Richard DeVaul is dean of admissions of the school.

GYMNASTICS: Texas A&M's women gymnastics team will face the University of Texas and Southwest Texas in competition in San Marcos.

ARTS MOVIE: The Arts Committee will present "Young Winston" at 8 p.m. in Rudder Theater. The rousing adventure story set during the 1897 rebellion in India stars Simon Ward, Anne Bancroft and Robert Shaw. Based on the autobiography of the late Sir Winston Churchill, the 1975 movie is 138 minutes long.

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