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## Tropical storm Gloria born as two others begin to die

MIAMI — Tropical storm Gloria sprang to life in the far eastern Atlantic Thursday, while tropical storms David and Frederic faltered in their rampages through the East Coast and Caribbean.

"They (David and Frederic) were around latitude 12 (north)," forecaster Mark Zimmer said. "This one's up at latitude 23. Normally when you get a storm that far to the north, it will turn — the most likely path — up into the middle of the north Atlantic."

At noon EDT, Gloria was located near latitude 23.0 north, longitude 35.0 west, or about 750 miles northwest of the Cape Verde Islands.

The storm was moving toward the

west-northwest at between 15 and 20 mph.

When asked about the recent rash of storms, Zimmer said, "We're just getting back more to the normal type thing — normal over the past 100 years or so. What we've had in the last five years is a lack of activity well below normal. Now we're getting back to a normal September — the peak activity for the Atlantic hurricanes."

David raked the densely populated northeast Thursday, killing at least three people in 24 hours and then moving relentlessly towards New England.

David was losing its strength and shape but still had winds up to 45 miles per hour and higher gusts along the coast, according to the Na-

tional Weather Service.

Gale warnings were in effect from Cape Hatteras, N.C., to Eastport, Maine. The weather service said the onshore winds coupled with abnormally high tides will produce tidal flooding along the northeast coast.

Damage from David was reported at more than \$1 billion in the Dominican Republic alone and some observers said the official death toll of "more than 1,000" was low.

Pilots who have flown over the island reported seeing "bodies floating around all over."

"There must be thousands and thousands of people dead out there," one source said.

Tornadoes spawned by David in the Philadelphia area killed one man. Two others persons died in Washington, D.C. and a fourth person died in a weather-related car accident in North Carolina.

Three twisters knocked out power to hundreds of communities in southern New Jersey.

Heavy rains spread inland and northward with the area from Pennsylvania and New Jersey northward threatened by flooding.

Scattered power outages were reported throughout southern New Jersey, affecting some 80,000 residences, and as far north as the New York City area.

## National briefs

MORGAN CITY, La. — A derrick atop a drilling rig in West Bayou Pigeon collapsed Wednesday and two men were believed trapped, Coast Guard officials said.

The accident occurred about 26 miles northwest of Morgan City in the middle of the Atchafalaya Basin. A work boat at the scene reported the collapse to the Coast Guard in New Orleans.

A helicopter was sent to the scene.

WASHINGTON — The government, in its first review of a state's compliance with strict limits on federal funding for abortions, concluded Wednesday that Pennsylvania improperly spent \$2.7 million on such surgery.

The Inspector General's office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare conducted the audit of the Pennsylvania records from February to June 1978. The state has agreed with the findings of the report and has promised to meet the federal standards in the future, the office said.

In brief, the audit found that Pennsylvania failed to:

- Accurately identify which federal program they were drawing assistance from in performing the abortions.
- Specify the kind of abortion conducted.
- Have a procedure to obtain certifications from two physicians — as required by law — for health-related abortions.

## SALT deate lineup all bats against treaty

WASHINGTON — Although it was certainly not his intention, Secretary of State Cyrus Vance set a disturbing tone for Thursday's resumption of debate on the SALT II strategic arms limitation agreement with the Soviets.

Among witnesses scheduled to testify in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee were retired Adm. Thomas Moorer, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Eugene Rostow, former undersecretary of state for political affairs. Both oppose ratification.

Moorer, who maintains approval of SALT II as it stands would be injurious to the security of the United States and its allies, came armed with a joint letter to the Senate signed by 1,678 retired generals and admirals urging rejection on like grounds.

The letter based opposition on grounds the treaty heavily favors the Soviet Union and cannot adequately be verified.

The resumed hearings were held against a new backdrop painted by Vance at a news conference Wednesday.

He said a Soviet combat brigade complete with tank, artillery, motorized rifle battalions, has secretly in Cuba for years, undetected until recently by U.S. intelligence.

Although Vance tried to separate the belated discovery from SALT II, a Senate consensus appeared to be growing that the Cuban troops, a U.S. intelligence failure is an embarrassment in the SALT debate.

Vance and CIA Director Stansfield Turner gave the committee, in closed meetings Wednesday, some of the secret details of Cuban developments. Both the United States and the Soviet Union have affirmed the presence of the troops and have indicated they have been there since the early 1970s.

Senate Democratic Leader Robert Byrd, in a Senate speech Wednesday, called for a U.S. military buildup whether the treaty ratifies or rejects SALT II.

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### Hope to duplicate successes of 1976

## Carter family planning Iowan forays

WASHINGTON — In a major effort to duplicate their success in 1976, President Carter and his family plan political forays into Iowa, the scene of one of the nation's first presidential caucuses in January.

It was Iowa that gave Carter his first big leap toward the Democratic nomination in 1976, and the president hopes for similar results in his unannounced campaign for reelection.

First Lady Rosalynn Carter will

go to Cedar Rapids Saturday to speak to the 36th annual convention of the Iowa Daily Press Association and to the Linn County Democratic Committee's September Spectacular.

The president and his wife made several stops in Iowa during their cruise down the Mississippi River two weeks ago on the Delta Queen.

Chip Carter, middle son and most politically active of the Carters' children, spent three days last month in Iowa and took part in the

opening of the 1980 Carter campaign office in Des Moines.

He also criss-crossed the state with stops at Sioux City, LeMars, Marshalltown, Avoca, Atlantic, Webster City, Boone, Indianola, Oskaloosa, Cedar Falls, Waterloo and Dubuque.

The president himself was in Iowa in May, speaking in Des Moines to the Iowa State Association of Counties and at a state Democratic party reception.

Meanwhile, Carter met Wednesday with the National Security Council to discuss "long-range strategic defense" matters, including a decision on the MX missile.

A White House official said Carter confirmed he had approved a recommendation of his top diplomatic and defense advisers on U.S. policy toward Soviet troops in Cuba.

Other recommendations included basing the missiles on rails in underground trenches, or launching them from transport aircraft.

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## Congressman to quit booze after 'problem' episodes

WASHINGTON — Rep. Richard Bolling, D-Mo., has always been a man who could hold his liquor — most of the time. Now he says he won't hold any at all.

Bolling returned to the House and his influential job as chairman of the Rules Committee Wednesday after six weeks of treatment for alcoholism at Bethesda Naval Hospital.

His sudden decision to enter the hospital in July came as a shock to almost everyone. Few of his colleagues had any notion he even had a problem, although in past years he had gained a reputation as a man who could handle alcohol.

The plain-speaking, no-nonsense 63-year-old Bolling isn't going to the lecture circuit to talk about his problem, and gave every indication he hoped this interview was the last time he would have to talk about it.

He has no advice for anyone except to be aware of what alcoholism is and what to do about it.

Bolling won't discuss details of the drinking episode that led him to decide to seek help. But he said he does know what led to the episode — "a very, very bad back problem" for which he was taking painkillers.

That episode was only the second time in 12 years his drinking had gotten out of hand, he said. But it was enough to convince him to seek help in finding out what was happening to him.

"What I had was a peculiar kind of drinking problem," he said, "stress overload" form of alcoholism and not the emotional or physical dependence on alcohol that many assume to be a part of alcoholism.

"Ninety-five to 98 percent of the time I am a normal drinker," he said. "I'm not addicted, psychologically or physically."

But, he added, "On occasion, it got out of hand."

"What I decided at the age of 63 was that I needed to find out what was causing this problem," he said.

When Bolling entered Bethesda, his closest associates said they could detect no change in the quality of his work, and some asked when the hardworking veteran legislator found time to drink at all.

Bolling said there was no drop in the quality of his work because he had no need to drink constantly. In fact, the episode which led him to enter the hospital lasted only about two days, he said.

Despite his ability to handle alcohol most of the time, Bolling says he will no longer drink.

"The only solution to this disease is not to ever take a chance that you'll take the first drink that could lead to the 25th," he said.

Bolling says he has no need, no craving for alcohol, so it will be relatively easy for him to stop.

In fact, he said, his stay at Bethesda was not so much for treatment as for education about his problem.

"I just went through a course," he said. "I wasn't hospitalized."

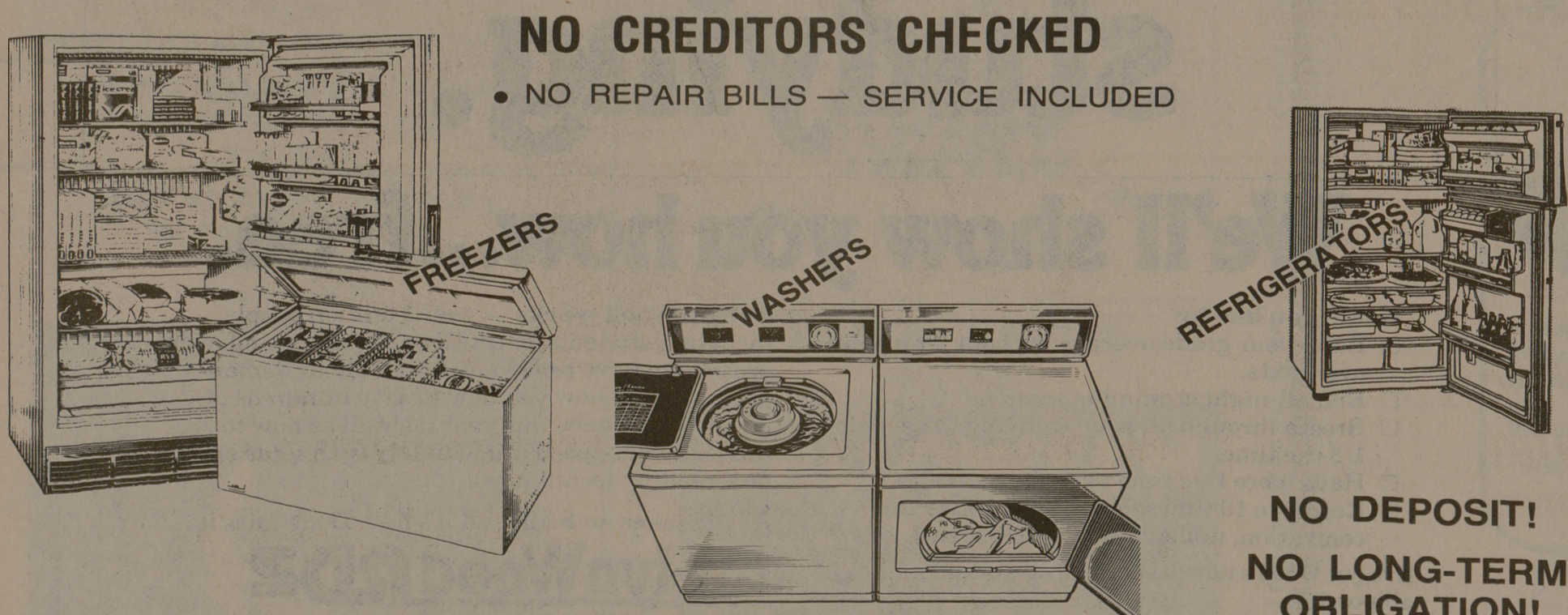
As a result of that course, which involves "your own diagnosis" of your problem, Bolling said he discovered he was an episodic alcoholic — a "binge drinker" who could handle alcohol most of the time but who might drink too much under great stress.

"People ought to have a greater awareness of what alcoholism is," he said, especially his form of alcoholism. "The danger is that you might think you don't have a problem because you almost don't."

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