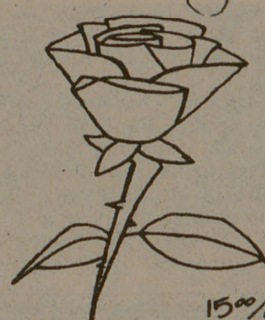


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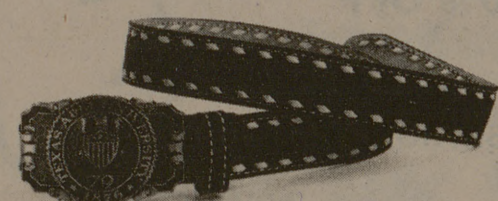
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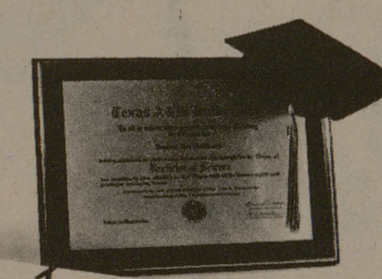


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Connally rejects federal funding

United Press International
WASHINGTON — Republican presidential contender John Connally, the best financed of the 1980 candidates, said Wednesday he would not take federal matching funds available for the primary campaigns.

The former governor of Texas, who has raised more than \$7 million, said he always was philosophically opposed to the law allowing candidates to take federal funds to finance their campaigns. But he said the main reason he made the decision was "it gives me flexibility" to spend more than the statewide limits in the early primaries.

Federal election laws limit the amount of spending in each primary based on the number of voting-age people. Thus, Connally — faced with a "catch up" campaign against front runner Ronald Reagan — would have been limited to \$264,000 in New Hampshire and \$1.3 million in Florida, much of which was already spent on last month's straw poll.

Connally said he needed to raise and spend as much as he can because the television networks have not made commercial time available to him.

"The failure of the networks to make meaningful time available to me is tantamount to supporting and enhancing the advantage of my opponents," he said at a news conference.

He said spending limitations have the effect of protecting incumbents and aiding front runners.

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United Press International
WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Even though they learned they had inherited a half-million-dollar estate from the father they had not seen since 1940, Tuesday was just another working day for Letha White and Alma Laverne Rehder.

White, 62, went to work as a night switchboard operator at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Salisbury after learning Tuesday morning she and her sister were the objects of a search that began when Daniel Earl Hill died in July in Tulsa, Okla.

Rehder, 64, who works mornings as a reservations clerk for Piedmont Airlines, was at work when her sister called to tell her of the inheritance.

"My sister (White) was so excited when she called me she could hardly talk to me," she said.

"That's a nice sum of money. I always told them at work I never wanted a lot of money because I would have to worry about it. I have been a worrier, but I don't have to start," Rehder said.

The two women were named in Hill's will, but his sister would have inherited the estate if she had been named in the papers because she was sure to be "two daughters somewhere."

The sister was "just as excited the daughters. She wanted to see them as much as we did," White said she learned of the inheritance from a friend in LaVern, Tenn., Edna York Sanderlin, who saw a story about it in the Nashville Tennessean.

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