

CIA accused of covering death threat

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WASHINGTON — An aide to the late Rep. Leo Ryan, D-Calif., says the CIA may have knowingly let Ryan go to his death in Guyana rather than disclose a secret intelligence operation dealing with the Rev. Jim Jones.

Ryan and four companions were gunned down by followers of Jones — head of the People's Temple colony in Jonestown — on a remote jungle airstrip in Guyana on Nov. 18, 1978.

The congressman's death was followed by the mass murder and suicide of 900 American cultists, including Jones himself.

Joe Holsinger, Ryan's friend and top aide, asked at a House hearing Wednesday, "Was our government, through its intelligence operation, fully aware of the arms in Jonestown and the potential for violence there?"

"If so, why did it fail to insist on armed protection by the Guyanese government for the Ryan mission? Was Leo Ryan set up for murder?"

Holsinger charged the CIA may have let Ryan go to his death rather than disclose a secret intelligence operation calling for support of both Jones and Guyana Prime Minister Forbes Burnham.

Ryan and his companions were shot just after visiting Jonestown to conduct an investigation of charges by relatives that some colonists were being kept there against their will.

Charging the CIA gave orders at the State Department and the U.S. Embassy in Guyana, Holsinger asked for a special House committee to investigate the Jonestown tragedy.

Holsinger said State Department officials failed to advise Ryan of the danger of visiting Jonestown even though they knew of "the potential for violence."

"It is a terribly harsh question to ask, but is it possible that even the terrible tragedy that occurred was preferred over disclosure of our covert operation in Guyana?" he asked.

Holsinger cited reports the CIA gave covert support to Jones because he was Burnham's ally. The same report indicated the People's Temple gave Burnham money and "terrorists" to "intimidate" his opponents.

Jacqueline Speier, Ryan's legal counsel and one of those wounded in the shooting, charged the State Department kept "critical, life and death information" about the People's Temple from the fact-finding group.

Speier said the State Department immediately sent 170 guns were smuggled from California to Jonestown.

"It is my firm belief that the State Department must share heavily in the responsibility for the deaths of Ryan and the 900 Americans in Guyana," she said.

what's up at Texas A&M

FRIDAY

ALL GIRLS FREE PARTY: Walton and McGinnis Halls will sponsor this party at 8 p.m. in Q-Hut A.

NEWMANS ORGANIZATION COFFEEHOUSE: Will have games and live entertainment free of charge from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Student Center.

GROMETS: Will meet at 7 p.m. in 140 and 140A MSC to play historical and fantasy war games.

"WHEN YOU COMIN' BACK RED RYDER?": The Aggie Players will present this play at 8 p.m. in Rudder Forum.

"BREAKING AWAY": The story concerns a group of four teen-agers fresh out of high school. One of them wants to be an Italian cycling champ. He talks and acts like an Italian while his parents try and decide what to do with him. The feature will begin at 7:30 and 9:45 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

"THE WARRIORS": A battle of gigantic proportions is looming in the neon underground of New York City. The armies of the night number 100,000; they outnumber police five to one; and tonight they're after the Warriors — a street gang blamed unfairly for a rival gang leader's death. The feature will be shown at midnight in Rudder Theater.

FRESHMAN BALL: Will begin at 8 p.m. on the second floor MSC. Tickets are \$8 a couple. Music will be provided by Crystal Image.

VENEZUELAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION: Will meet at 6 p.m. in 410 Rudder.

SOCIETY OF IRANIAN STUDENTS: Will present guest speakers who have recently returned from Iran and who will talk about the past and present events in Iran at 7 p.m. in 701 Rudder. A film on the revolutionary movement in Iran will also be shown. Everyone is welcome.

LAS ASOCIACION DE ESTUDIANTES VENEZOLANOS: Convoca una asamblea ordinaria con motivo de finalizar la constitucion organizativa y punto varios. Dicha reunion se efectuara a las 6 p.m. en Rudder cuarto 410. Contamos con tu puntual asistencia.

SATURDAY

SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS: A time speed and distance rally will begin at 4 p.m. in parking lot 50 behind Zachry Engineering Center. Cost is \$2.50 a person and beer and soft drinks will be provided at finish of race. Awards will be given to three participants. Everyone is welcome to participate.

HOUSEPLANT SALE: The Floriculture-Ornamental Horticulture Club will be selling houseplants from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Floriculture Greenhouse. There will be a variety of plants grown especially for apartment or dorm rooms.

CLASS OF '81 BALL: Will begin at 9 p.m. in the MSC Ballroom. Tickets are on sale in the MSC Hallway and the Rudder Box Office.

TAMU RUGBY: The Rugby team will play Dallas Our Gang at 12 p.m. on the Drill Field.

"WHEN YOU COMIN' BACK RED RYDER?": This Aggie Players performance will begin at 8 p.m. in Rudder Forum. Tickets are available at the MSC Box Office or at the door for \$2 for students and \$3 for non-students.

"BREAKING AWAY": Will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

"THE WARRIORS": Will be shown at midnight in Rudder Theater.

SUNDAY

TEXAS A&M SPORTS CAR CLUB: Will caravan to Temple Academy Dragway for a day of bracket racing at 7 a.m.. The group will leave from Lot 50 behind Zachry Engineering Center.

THEATER ARTS: Will hold auditions for the musical "Guys & Dolls" at 7 p.m. in Rudder Forum.

"OLD BOYFRIENDS": Talia Shire recovering from a nervous breakdown decides that the key to solving her problems lies in rekindling relationships with the boyfriends she can't quite forget. John Belushi Keith Carradine and Buck Henry also star in the feature which will be shown at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Theater.

Township's 40-year search for physician finally finished

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ACCIDENT, Md. — Residents can now take down a sign posted on the outskirts of town that reads: "Help! We need a doctor!"

The long search for a physician to serve the 300-resident Western Maryland village of Accident ends in July, when Dr. Walter Naumann arrives to set up practice by October. The village's last physician died 40 years ago.

The Accident Community Health Care Board paid for the signboard after an employee at the Oakland hospital jokingly suggested it. The Oakland hospital, 20 miles away, is

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St. Bernard gobbles ham, but price tag not worth it

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SALEM, Va. — When Joey, a 175-pound Saint Bernard, sank his teeth into a 4½-pound country ham, he managed to eat everything but the price tag.

His owner ended up paying for the \$6.87 ham and \$3 for Joey's release.

The dog sauntered into a Salem grocery store Sunday and was lured out by a stock boy with scrap meat.

But the good-natured canine, who knew how to use the store's electric door, returned and drew a bead on the meat counter.

Joey escaped with the ham and devoured it outside the store. He was munching snow when the police and chief animal control officer W.A. Franklin arrived to take him to the dog pound.

"He ripped the package open and we were able to retrieve enough of it to find out what the value of it was," an amused policeman said. "He didn't eat the price tag."

Joey once took a nap in the middle of Main Street. Another time, he dropped his frame on the stoop of a retirement home, blocking the door.

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And it's no little screw loose or anythin' like that. Naw, it turns out you gotta get a new framis for the glockenspiel and the benders need to be fribble-ed.

Nothin' around my house works. Even the phone quit last week, but at least they came and fixed it and didn't send me a three-figure bill for tunin' the wafflers or somethin'.

The guy from the phone company said, when I asked him how much they were gonna soak me, that repair service comes with my phone.

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