Nation/World **Billy cleared of criminal violation**

VASHINGTON (UPI) — A Senpanel Thursday charged top nistration officials used poor ment in dealing with Billy Car-\$ \$220,000 Libyan affair — but id no evidence of criminal viola-

s or deliberate wrongdoing. ut one Republican senator said investigation shows "a clear pat-m of misconduct" by the adminison, and a second senator sugsted President Carter brought Bilnto the Iranian hostage situation November to help his brother cially

The special Senate Judiciary Sub-mmittee ended a two-month intigation by issuing a 249-page inn report with a score of pages of

The report said Attorney General njamin Civiletti, national security viser Zbigniew Brzezinski and ers did not give President Carter cient warning of the danger of brother's Libyan dealings.

The subcommittee concluded va exerted great effort to gain Bil-Carter's friendship to use him in empting to influence U.S. policy to gain a means of embarrassing resident

he president was "ill advised" to on his brother in November to suade Libya to intercede with n on behalf of U.S. hostages held ran because this enhanced Billy ter's image with the Libyans.

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The subcommittee said Billy Car-"merits severe criticism" for capi-izing on his White House connecms despite repeated warnings of iks it posed for the president and

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dent's brother favoritism in permit- ternal tug-of-war over words. Re- rorist activity and assassination ting him to register late as a Libyan agent July 14 without penalty, and said the White House did not try to influence the decision.

However, individual members differed widely in their personal views and some Republicans said the subcommittee should have rebuked administration officials involved in much stronger terms.

Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., said the investigation shows "a clear pattern of misconduct" by the administration in the Billy affair.

Thurmond said in his view the report, following a two-month investigation, represents a non-partisan judgment that official conduct "falls far short of the standards the Amer-ican people have a right to expect from their government.

"The facts in the report unmistak-ably demonstrate that these officials — the director of central intelli-gence, the national security adviser, the attorney general and the White House — followed a clear pattern of misconduct throughout this entire episode," he said.

Thurmond said the misconduct consisted of efforts to soften and delay the impact on the American public of Billy Carter's connection with Libya's radical, terrorist-supporting

Thurmond charged that Billy Car-ter's using the fact he was the presi-dent's brother and his White House entree to obtain a \$220,000 Libyan loan and to attempt to make a lucrative oil deal with Libya has an appearance of influence peddling which the administration "did little or nothing to prevent." "When hard evidence began to

come in, it (the administration) ducked and dodged until its hand was forced by the operation of the Foreign Agents Act and the spotlight of public opinion," Thurmond said.

UPI learned the panel deleted a condemnation of the president's The report said the Justice De-rtment did not show the presi-brother from its report during an in-

> death, fled to Paraguay about a month after resigning as president of Nicaragua as guerrilla forces were defeating his national guard in a

Gunfire rang out early Thursday near the house Somoza occupied in Asuncion in a fight between uniden-

tified people and police guards, neighborhood residents reported. The witnesses said at least two

policemen were injured in the shoot-

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za's long-time friend Denorah Samp-

Official sources and spokesmen, however, had no comment on the

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publicans urged stronger criticisms than did the Democratic members, sources said.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., harshly criticized President Carter's role, suggesting he brought Billy Carter into the hostage crisis in November to help him financially

failed to understand fully Libya's

"The president most probably had no idea of precisely how Billy would benefit, but he concluded that in-volvement of Billy was a relatively harmless brotherly gesture," Lugar said. "The White House was demeaned in the process." Lugar said the White House has

hatred of America. He said the radical regime has sought through "ter-CHECK THE

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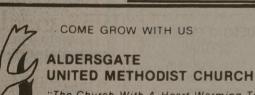
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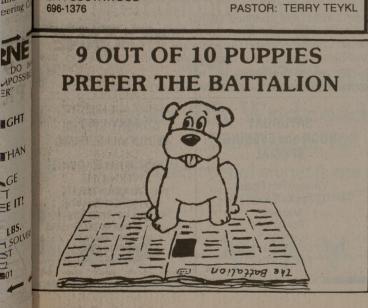
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