

Boudin gets 20 years to life

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 WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — Repentant radical Kathy Boudin was sentenced Thursday to 20 years to life in prison for her role in the 1981 Brink's armored car robbery that left an armed guard and two policemen dead.

The former Weather Underground leader received the sentence for pleading guilty to second-degree murder and was given a concurrent 12½-to-25 year term for robbery. She will be eligible for parole in 17 years, when she will be 58.

Before her guilty plea she faced 75 years to life on 13 counts.

"I want to express my sorrow for the deaths of Sgt. Edward O'Grady and patrolman Waverly Brown directly to the family members who are here today and continue to grieve their loss," said Boudin.

But she said she was still committed to political change and "my ideals give me strength, today, as well as yesterday and tomorrow."

Diane O'Grady, widow of O'Grady, denounced Boudin's remorse.

"The events involving Kathy Boudin have left me with feelings of extreme anger and frustration," she said. "Regardless of her claimed remorse, in my heart I believe Kathy Boudin knowingly and willingly took part in all aspects of this horri-

ble crime that took the lives of three innocent men, including my husband, Ed."

Friends and relatives of Boudin and the victims crowded into the Westchester County courtroom for sentencing before Judge David Ritter.

The sentence for Boudin, 40, who has a 3-year-old son, includes time served. She pleaded guilty to participating in the \$1.6 million heist of a Brink's

armored car in Nanuet, N.Y., on Oct. 20, 1981.

"I was there out of my commitment to the black liberation struggle," she said. "I am a white person who does not want the crimes committed against black people to be carried in my name."

Boudin will serve time at Bedford Correctional Facility for Women, which has a visiting room for children and already houses co-defendant Judith Clark.

Rockland County District Attorney Kenneth Gribetz said he was satisfied with the sentence but called Boudin's methods "vile and despicable."

Her husband, David Gilbert, last fall was sentenced to 75 years to life for participating in the robbery and her sentence left only co-defendant Samuel Brown, 43, to stand trial.

Black Liberation Army member Kuwasi Balagoon and Clark were convicted last fall.



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Thursday at Rudder Fountain. The event was sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ.

Deficit

Alternative could cut \$200 billion in three years

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 WASHINGTON — Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., called on the Senate Thursday to take a bite from the federal deficit that President Reagan is trying to approve by approving a Democratic alternative that would cut \$200 billion in three years.

The Democratic proposal was drafted in response to the Republican leaders' \$144 billion three-year deficit cutting package. The GOP document has been endorsed by Reagan and Chiles. The "Rose Garden" plan was announced there in February after talks with Democrats disintegrated.

Senate leaders had hoped to take a vote on the Democratic proposal Thursday, but the bill was delayed because many senators had left town early for the weekend. The Senate did not plan a session Friday.

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There was something about the fact that there wasn't going to be a Friday session that made people start to make early reservations," Chiles said. The proposal should come to a vote next week.

Chiles said the Democratic plan, which he authored, does as much as he would like to stop the gush of red ink, but compares "very favorably" with the GOP plan.

His proposal would allow a 5 percent increase in the Pentagon's budget and raise revenues among other things, deferring tax indexing for inflation, set to start next year.

Reagan's "Rose Garden" document calls for a 7.5 percent hike in military spending for the fiscal year starting Oct. 1, and would not touch indexing.

Indexing is aimed at reducing the "bracket creep" that makes taxpayers pay more just because their salaries have kept pace with inflation.

Chiles said the Democratic plan would send a stronger signal to financial markets that the deficit is being cut, and result in lower interest rates.

"We have seen interest rates go up since the Rose Garden plan was announced," Chiles

said. "If we don't pass a plan that has sufficient restraint, and I think this one does, then interest rates are going to go up further."

Reagan, returning to Washington from China Wednesday, called Republican senators from Air Force One urging defeat of a proposed one-year budget freeze and passage of his plan instead. The freeze proposal failed late Wednesday.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, which has sternly resisted all suggestions for a budget cut, yielded to congressional and White House pressures and

sliced nearly \$14 billion — less than 5 percent — from its \$305 billion request for next year.

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger told a news conference he had been reluctant to make the cuts — which would trim almost all programs except nuclear weapons.

The GOP plan also would include two separate limits on the amount that can be spent in the next three years on either military or domestic spending. Those ceilings are critical to the plan, according to Senate Republican leader Howard Baker.



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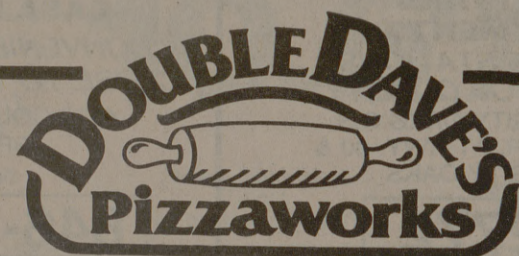
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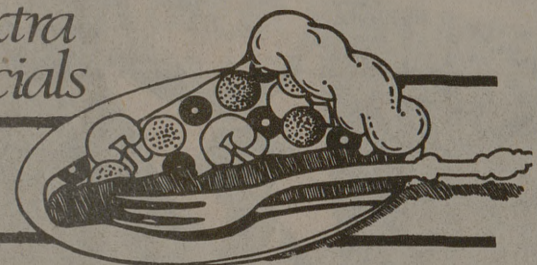
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