

Shift over, driver gets long rest

Associated Press

DALLAS — Fire officials have dismissed a paramedic who stopped by a fire station to pick up his replacement while transporting a heart patient, a department spokeswoman said.

The patient, Laverne Allen, 57, is comatose and in critical condition at Parkland Memorial Hospital, a hospital spokesman said Tuesday.

The woman suffered a heart attack during the Feb. 14 trip after the ambulance switched drivers during the journey, officials said.

The trip took about 40 minutes and was impeded by rush-hour traffic, authorities said.

The paramedic, whom officials declined to identify, stopped at a fire station because his shift had ended, a department spokeswoman said.

A fire department internal affairs investigation found that he (the paramedic) violated departmental policy, said J.J. Howe, a fire department spokeswoman. "The firefighter did not put the needs of the patient above his personal needs and handicapped the transportation of that patient."

The paramedic, 29, whom Howe declined to identify, had worked for the department for six years. The complaint was the first against him, Howe said.

Allen's daughter, Patricia Finch, said she called for an ambulance after her mother had trouble breathing and began vomiting. Finch said she explained to the paramedic that her mother had a history of heart problems, including four heart attacks.

But once they left her east Dallas home, Finch said she realized the ambulance was not going in the right direction. Instead of going to the hospital, it stopped at a fire station about 12 blocks from her house.

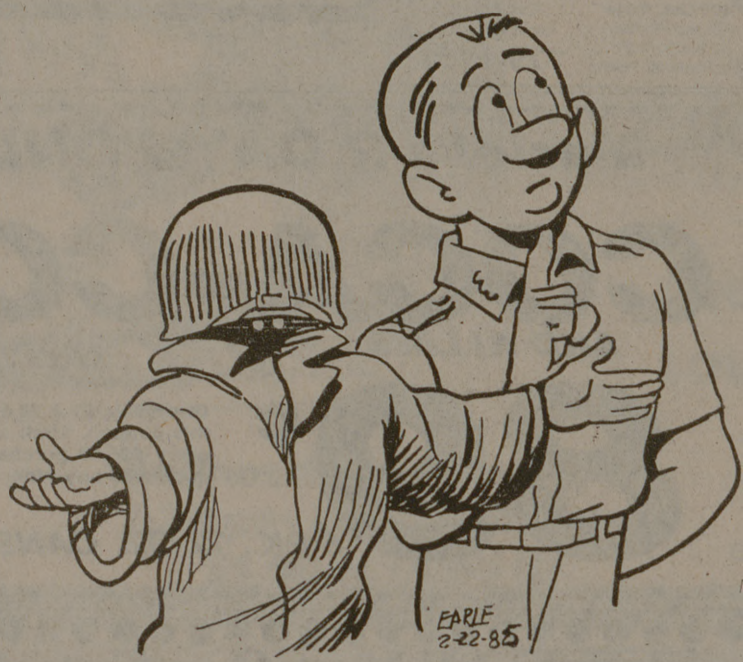
While at the station, the driver took four minutes to switch with his replacement, said Burt Vader, an attorney representing Finch.

Finch said she is relieved the paramedic was fired.

"This way I know it won't happen to someone else with this same driver," she said.

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By Jim Earle



"If they want support for raising tuition, they should charge us not by the hours we take, but by the hours we pass."

More jobs in 1985

Associated Press

This year's college graduates should not have quite as tough a time finding a job as last year's graduates did.

Of the companies responding to this year's Changing Times' jobs survey, the vast majority report they will hire more or at least as many graduates this year compared with last year. Only about 6 percent indicate their hiring goals will be down. Last year 18 percent expected a decrease.

Engineering graduates again top the lists of corporate and government recruiters with 57 percent.

For the first time in a number of years the need for engineers doesn't far outstrip demand for graduates in other academic disciplines: 55 percent of the companies listed are looking for computer science graduates; 54 percent want business, marketing and economics graduates; and 50 percent need accounting graduates.

Significantly, the demand for liberal arts graduates is up in this year's survey. At about 21 percent, it is almost equal to the demand for physical science graduates.

At the bottom of this year's demand index in our survey are math graduates, with only 18 percent reporting a need.

While the job outlook for new graduates is the most encouraging in years, voices of caution can be heard.

Jack Fowler, director of employment for the Illinois Farm Bureau in Bloomington, Ill., advises college graduates to be aggressive in their job searches. Each year the percentage of college graduates in the American work force reaches a record high. However, education will pay dividends in the long run, he said.

Three-quarters of the companies in the listing report that the salaries they will be offering 1985 graduates will top last year's offers, many by at least the expected amount of inflation.

Mafia families' 'ruling body'

Five leaders indicted

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The five reputed leaders of the city's Mafia families were rounded up overnight and charged Tuesday in a federal indictment with being the "ruling body" of a criminal enterprise that deals in murder, labor racketeering and extortion.

Officials predicted the federal indictment would encourage crime victims to cooperate with police and would touch off a violent struggle within the families.

"This is a bad day, probably the worst ever, for the Mafia," said U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani. Never before, he said, had a federal indictment charged so many bosses.

The indictment, which also named four other men, said a mob "commission" oversaw Mafia business.

FBI Director William Webster said, "The ruling body of the most powerful organized crime elements in the U.S. ... has now been brought to the bar of justice."

The indictment named Anthony "Fat Tony" Salerno, Paul Castellano, Anthony "Tony Ducks" Corallo, Gennaro "Jerry Lang" Langella and Phillip "Rusty" Rastelli as heads of the Genovese, Gambino, Lucchese, Colombo and Bonanno crime families, respectively.

Three other alleged Mafia leaders also were indicted: Aniello "O'Neill" Dellacroce, reputed underboss of the Gambino family; Salvatore "Tom Mix" Santoro, an alleged Lucchese underboss; and Christopher "Christy Tick" Furnari, described as Lucchese "consigliere," or counselor.

"There will be struggles for control" which will "take an interesting twist with this indictment," Webster said. "Being at the top isn't always the best."

Assistant U.S. Attorney General Steven Trott said "now is the time" for the mob's victims to shed their fear of reprisal and step forward to help authorities.

"We believe the (Mafia's) code of silence is virtually a thing of the past," Webster said.

But Giuliani said that although the indictment was "a very major blow ... we shouldn't call it the death of the mob" because there was "more work to do."

The defendants were arrested overnight at homes, businesses, prisons and hospitals. Webster said three of those indicted had checked into hospitals.

The indictment charged that commission members authorized the ad-

mission or murder of members of tied inter-family disputes coordinated deals between families.

In 1979, the commission allegedly authorized the murder of Carmine Galante, who led a faction in the nanno family. Two years later, the commission allegedly allowed the killings of three Bonanno family members and the attempted murder of a fourth.

The indictment also said the group of bosses referring to itself as "The Club" operated a multimillion-dollar extortion scheme which finances the concrete pouring industry in greater New York.

Charged in connection with the scheme was Ralph Scopo, a reputed soldier in the Colombo family and president of the Concrete Workers District Council of the Laborers International Union of North America.

If convicted of racketeering, each of the defendants would face a maximum of 20 years in prison. Counts of extortion against each of the defendants except Rastelli carry a maximum of 20 years per count while two counts of accepting payoffs, again involving all but Rastelli, carry a maximum of one year each.

War criminal linked to drug traffic

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nazi war criminal Dr. Josef Mengele was involved in drug trafficking while he moved among South American countries during the 1970s, according to declassified CIA documents released Tuesday by two senators.

The documents were heavily censored and were unsubstantiated, but they painted an intriguing picture of the purported movements of the most wanted World War II criminal still at large.

Included among the documents was a report that in 1973, "Israel terrorists" beat to death a former German soldier in Paraguay in the mis-

taken belief he was Mengele. The man's wife "lost portions of one of her ears and her stomach was cut open" in the attack, the documents said.

The documents were released at a news conference by Sens. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., and Arlen Specter, R-Pa., who have been active in the recently intensified hunt for Mengele.

Mengele, who would be 73 if still alive, was known as the "Angel of Death" at the Auschwitz death camp, where he conducted a horrific series of experiments on twins and other children. He is wanted by West Germany on war crimes charges. Following reports that the U.S.

Army may have detained Mengele shortly after World War II, the Justice Department announced last month that it was undertaking a search to find Mengele. There are no charges against Mengele pending in the United States.

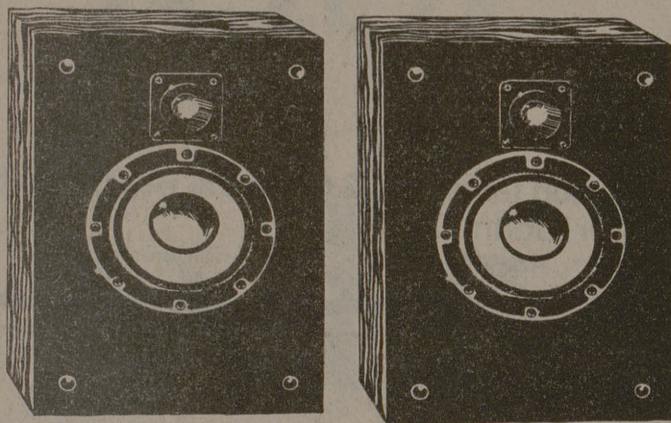
Specter and D'Amato criticized the past inaction of the United States and released a letter to Secretary of State George Shultz urging the South American and Western European governments be asked to cooperate fully in the Mengele hunt.

The senators also criticized what they called a "lack of initiative" the part of the CIA to follow up reports and rumors about Mengele.



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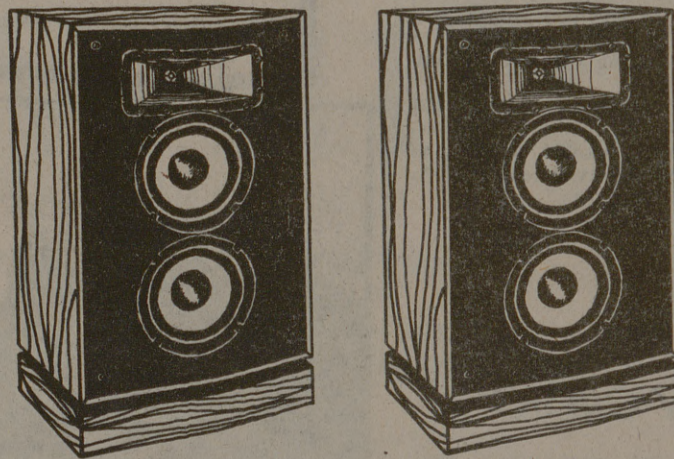
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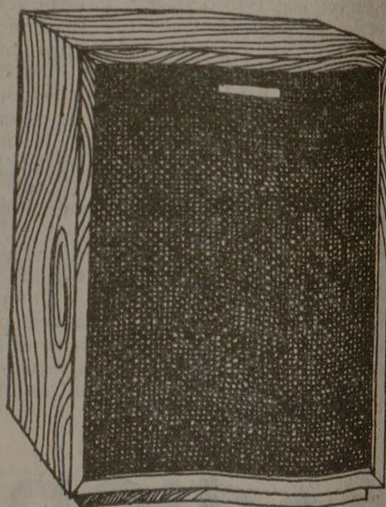
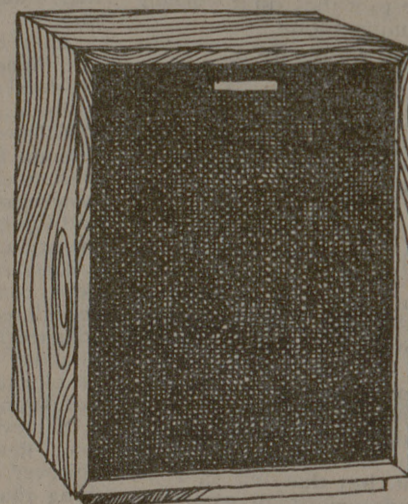


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