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Koop ends 7-year career as U.S. Surgeon General

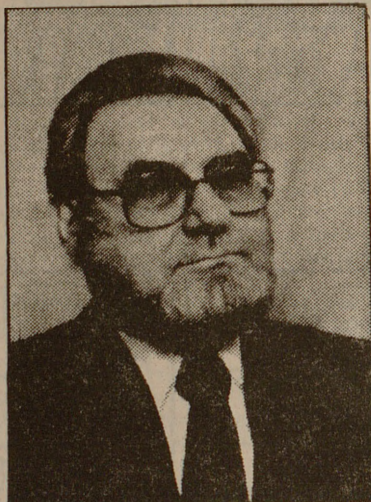
WASHINGTON (AP) — Dr. C. Everett Koop, the bearded surgeon general whose straight talk made him a lightning rod for critics, said Thursday he will resign after seven years as the nation's top health officer.

During his tenure, Koop lived up to his reputation as a tough-minded professional and made what had been a figurehead position into a pulpit from which he hammered at the ills of smoking and became the nation's No. 1 promoter of condoms in the fight against AIDS.

In a brief letter to President Bush delivered Thursday, Koop said he had told the president in February he would not serve out his full second term, which ends in November. Koop told Bush he would leave the job July 13 and retire Oct. 1.

The president credited Koop with "tackling some of the toughest public health issues facing our country." President Reagan's 1981 nomination of Koop, then surgeon-in-chief of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, set off a bitter, nine-month battle for Senate confirmation.

A pediatric surgeon with an international reputation, Koop was strongly opposed by liberals who feared him as an anti-abortion cru-



C. Everett Koop

sader who lacked experience with public health issues.

But he turned most of those critics around, many of them when he issued a no-nonsense report on the AIDS crisis in October 1986 that advocated the use of condoms and explicit sex education about how the deadly virus is spread.

Militia officials say German doctors kidnapped in Sidon

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Two West German doctors doing humanitarian work in Lebanon were kidnapped Thursday in the southern port city of Sidon, according to a Moslem militia official in the area.

He said the two, a man and a woman, were seized "by unknown gunmen between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. just beyond the Siniq Bridge" on the southern edge of Sidon, 25 miles south of Beirut, the capital.

Police said they could not confirm the abduction.

If the kidnappings are confirmed, they would raise the number of foreigners missing and believed held hostage in Lebanon to 17. The woman doctor would become the first woman hostage.

The abduction came less than a week after the prosecution in West Germany demanded a life sentence for Mohammed Ali Hamadi, a Lebanese Shiite, for his role in the 1985 hijacking of a TWA plane and the murder of a U.S. Navy diver who was aboard.

The official, of the Sunni Moslem

Nasserite militia that has been ruling Sidon since the outbreak of Lebanon's civil war 14 years ago, described both doctors as working for the French-based Doctors Without Borders.

Speaking on condition of anonymity, he said Mustafa Saad, head of the Nasserite militia, immediately called Shiite Moslem militia leader Nabih Berri in Beirut and asked him to act urgently to try to secure the Germans' release.

Berri's Syrian-backed Amal militia controls most of south Lebanon.

House, Senate OK budget of \$1.2 trillion

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House and Senate approved on Thursday \$1.2 trillion budgets which uphold a much-criticized agreement with President Bush to reduce the deficit without cutting spending or significantly raising taxes.

The House approved its plan 263-157 after budget committee chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif., called it "the only choice for us to fulfill our budget responsibilities and avoid crisis."

The Senate then passed its version, 68-31. As laid out by the White House agreement, the budgets claim to shrink the federal deficit to just below \$100 billion, as required by the Gramm-Rudman law. They would allow federal programs to grow but, especially at the Pentagon, at less than the rate of inflation.

The Senate then passed its version, 68-31, after some minor tinkering.

Worker testifies against nuclear plant

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former nuclear plant worker told Congress on Thursday he was "under duress" when he accepted a secret labor settlement with the plant's builder that rewarded him for not telling federal regulators about alleged safety flaws.

In sworn testimony to a Senate Environment and Public Works subcommittee, Joseph J. Macktal said he now believes the agreement was illegal because it contains clauses that restrict his right to testify to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

"The agreement prevented me from talking to anybody" about safety issues, Macktal said.

He signed the agreement about 18 months before NRC licensing hearings on the Comanche Peak power plant ended. No final licensing decision has been made yet.

The subcommittee is investigating how many such secret deals have been made at the nation's 110 licensed

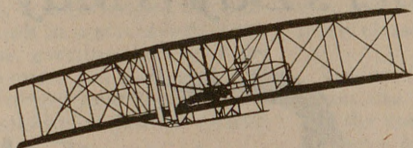
commercial nuclear power plants. Officials said earlier this week the panel knows of one other and is seeking details of a third.

Louis Austin Jr., president of Brown & Root, the company that built the Comanche Peak plant, near Glen Rose told the subcommittee he believed the Macktal deal was legal. But he added the company wished the law were cleared.

Mark Augenblick, a Brown & Root lawyer, went further, saying, "With the benefit of hindsight we should have" settled Macktal's case without limiting his right to testify to the NRC.

Macktal, who worked at Comanche Peak from January 1985 to January 1986, signed the agreement to settle his complaint with the Labor Department that Brown & Root had unfairly dismissed him as a result of his allegations about unsafe conditions. He said the deal gave him \$15,000, and his lawyers got \$20,000.

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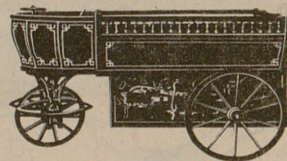
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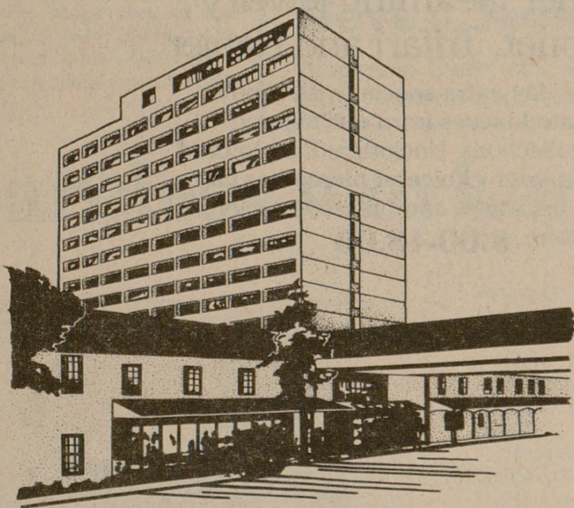
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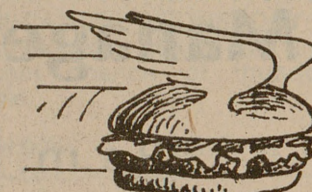
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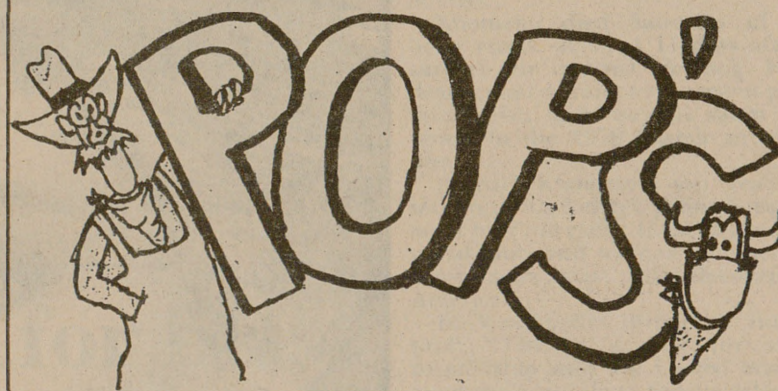
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