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## Skyjacker's Plot Ends In Gun Fire

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As the red-and-white jet circled in the evening skies above the capital, government officials radioed the demanded money was waiting for him on the Dulles runway.

The plane landed again shortly after 7 p.m. As it rolled to a stop on the runway, FBI agents shot out tires and blocked the path with a large fire truck.

Then ensued a half-hour of cryptic radio exchanges climaxed with the co-pilot saying, "The captain has been shot — get an ambulance."

TWA spokesman John Corris said four shots were heard from inside the plane as FBI agents and FAA police scurried through the craft's open doors to seize the hijacker. He had no further details on how the captain was shot, but said the hijacker had initially pulled a .22 caliber pistol on stewardess Robyn Urrea over New Mexico.

TWA Board Chairman Charles C. Tillinghast, said later in a statement: "We are very grateful that the consequences of this confrontation of piracy were no worse than they turned out to be. . . The entire crew is to be congratulated on the skill and fortitude with which they handled the entire affair."

The pilot, a veteran of 23 years flying, was taken by ambulance to a hospital. A TWA official said his wound was not serious.

The husky, well-built hijacker had his arms strapped behind his back as he was whisked away by the FBI. Sandy-haired, he wore a sport jacket and a green-and-gold sport shirt open to the belt.

A FEW of the women passengers wept as they reached the Dulles terminal. But another passenger, Richard Hill of Zanesville, Ohio, said passengers were calm during the hijacking. In fact, he said, he wasn't aware of what was going on until the plane landed for the first time at Dulles.

Following the second landing, three men threw open doors so their fellow passengers could flee.

One of the three, Peter Oeth of Phoenix, said most of the passengers were standing in the aisles "like an informal cocktail party" as the plane neared Dulles Airport for the second time.

AFTER the doors opened, "People started to walk off the wing," said passenger Christopher Smith of St. Louis.

Other passengers scrambled down a safety chute. Smith said the passengers were generally unconcerned. "I asked the



ARTHUR BARKLEY  
... Named as hijacker

stewardess what was up and she said we were being hijacked," he said.

OETH, 35, a computer firm executive, said when the plane landed the second time at Dulles "it seemed the pilot deliberately made a hard landing. The plane listed heavily to the right."

TWA said 30 of the passengers would be flown back to St. Louis Thursday night aboard a special plane.

During the hijacking, Barkley broadcast repeated radio messages to the president, the Supreme Court and other government officials.

A MAN BY that name had been turned down by the Supreme Court last March in an appeal of a \$471.78 tax case. In his court petition, Barkley had claimed he was "being held a slave by the United States."

But in Phoenix, Barkley's wife described him as "a man who believes in his country." Here is how the drama unfolded: The plane, a stretch 727 jet, was heading from Phoenix to Washington's National Airport when it was hijacked over Las Vegas, N.M. The pilot, Capt. Dale C. Hope, a veteran of 23 years flying, bypassed a scheduled stop at St. Louis, slowed the plane's speed to conserve fuel and headed for Dulles International, a larger and less crowded airport than National.

THERE THE red-and-white plane landed. After it rolled to a stop, refueling operations began while FBI agents and other law enforcement officers watched from one-fourth mile away.

Airport officials arranged to remove the passengers as TWA's chief international pilot, Capt. Billy Williams, flew from New York to Washington to take over the plane's controls; Williams was the same pilot who flew the craft hijacked and forced to fly to Europe several months ago.

When Williams boarded the plane, he carried the brown canvas bag stuffed with \$100,750 which TWA officials had hastily obtained from two banks — one at the airport and the other in a nearby town.

WITHIN MINUTES, the plane restarted its engines and took off. The hijacker then radioed: "You don't know the rules of war, you don't even know how to count money."

AS THE jet had flown toward Washington, the hijacker repeatedly broadcast rambling messages over its radio.

One was directed to President Nixon, others to at least two Cabinet officers. Details of those messages were not disclosed, but at another point the hijacker addressed himself to "J. Edgar Hoover, the attorney general's office, the secretary of labor, the U.S. Treasury Department and justices of the Court unfit to rule."

"I want \$100 million in small bills delivered to the plane," he said at one point. "The money is to be put in a tow sack and tied at the top. The runway should be clear. No one on the runway. . ."

"I'M ADDRESSING myself to the Supreme Court," he said. At another point, he said he was demanding the money "for the relief of injuries that I have suffered from unfair practices."

Supreme Court records show that last March the court refused without comment to grant a hearing on an Arthur G. Barkley's appeal from an Internal Revenue Service finding that he owes the government \$471.78 in back taxes for 1964.

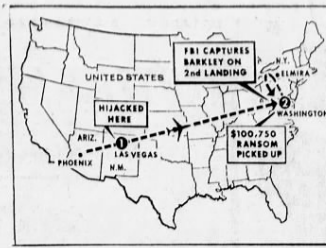
In his appeal, Barkley claimed he was "being held a slave" by the United States and that he had been treated "as a slave" by the U.S. Tax Court.

HE ALSO asserted grievances against the Housas Cakes Co. of Phoenix and the Teamsters Union. In Phoenix, Mrs. Barkley told a reporter her 45-year-old husband became involved in a court case when he worked for Continental Baking Co. in 1963.

"It went all the way to the Supreme Court and they gave him a runaround. They wouldn't even listen to him," she said.

MRS. BARKLEY said her husband was in the Navy Reserve. "He's a man who believes in his country," she said. "He believed in what he was fighting for in World War II."

Neighbors in Phoenix said Barkley was injured in a traffic accident several years ago and was treated at Barrow Neurological Institute at St. Joseph's Hospital. He has two sons, one married and one a college student.



ROUTE OF HIJACKED AIRLINER  
... From Phoenix cross country to Washington

## Passengers Terrorized

WASHINGTON (UPI) — "Man, it was a mess! Old ladies were crying, passengers were yelling and rolling on the ground."

That was the way airport policeman Hubert Laconia described the scene at the end of the runway Thursday night when passengers began to run to safety from a hijacked TWA 727 jet.

THE PASSENGERS had crawled through escape hatches that led onto the wing and began to drop to the ground, Laconia said.

Police began herding the passengers toward the tail of the plane, ordering them to lie on the ground to keep them out of the way of gunfire, he added.

"We thought some old ladies were having heart attacks they were so excited," the policeman said.

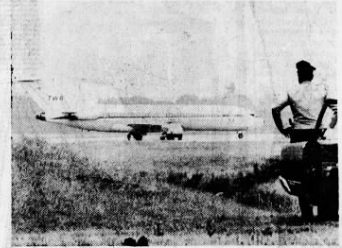
LACONIA SAID he saw FBI agents under the nose of the plane booting one another up to the door nearest the cockpit. While they were doing this, Laconia said passengers were still coming out the side hatches.

Laconia said the passengers were then herded off the runway and told to lie on the grass.

At this point, Laconia said, the FBI overpowered Barkley, stairs were rolled to the door by the cockpit and Barkley, "surrounded by a mob of agents," was brought down the stairs.

"HIS NOSE was bleeding and his hands were handcuffed behind his back," Laconia said.

Laconia said Barkley, even as he was shoved handcuffed through the line of police, was smiling and greeting each policeman with a "Hello, here, Hi there."



HIJACKED TWA JET REFUELS AT DULLES AIRPORT  
... Police were forced to stand by as passengers were threatened

## Hijacking Timetable

WASHINGTON (H) Here is chronology of Thursday's hijacking of a TWA 727 jet airliner, all times Eastern Daylight Saving.

11:00 a.m.—TWA flight 487 leaves Phoenix with 51 passengers.

11:45 A.M.— FLYING at 29,000 feet over New Mexico, pilot Dale C. Hope reports by radio a man has taken over the plane, demands it fly directly to Washington. Hijacker quoted as saying: "I want \$100 million in small bills delivered to the plane."

3:37 p.m.—Plane lands at Dulles International Airport northwest of Washington.

4:29 p.m.—Capt. Billy Williams, licensed to fly internationally, arrives at Dulles, enters the airliner a few minutes later carrying \$100,750 TWA had drawn from two banks.

4:35 P.M.— PLANE takes off from Dulles for unknown destination, flies south, then heads north.

4:45 p.m.—Hijacker radios: "Is the President ready to fulfill my request? That request was for \$100 million."

5:25 p.m.—Radar shows plane making turn northwest of Elmira, N.Y., and heading back south toward Washington.

7:10 P.M.— LANDS at Dulles again, where officers are waiting to shoot out tires.

7:20 p.m.—Emergency doors of plane open and passengers scramble out.

7:32 P.M.— CAPT. Hope reported wounded after several shots are fired aboard the plane.

7:34 p.m.—FBI agents capture hijacker who is wounded in thumb during the scuffle.

## Credit Firm Sued On Payment Failure

Here's a switch. The ABC Printers of Central Florida at Winter Park Thursday filed suit against Intercontinental Credit Rating Co. Ltd., claiming nonpayment of a \$1,121.30 bill for 200,000 envelopes.

An Orange County Circuit Court jury trial was demanded.

## Plea Sounded For Captives

NEW YORK (H) The Overseas Press Club appealed to Hanoi Thursday for the safe release of American and other foreign newsmen missing in Cambodia and believed captives of the Viet Cong.

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