President Carter and his party leave Air Force One at Smith Reynolds Airport for the trip to the Wake Forest campus.
Hanna Pledges Guilty in Korea Bribe Case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Rep. Richard T. Hanna, D-N.Y., the only present or former congressman charged in the Korean influence-buying scandal, pleaded guilty today to one count of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. government.

Hanna's plea avoided trial on a 40-count indictment, scheduled to begin next week. He could be sentenced in a maximum of five years in prison and a $100,000 fine. The sentencing date was set pending a pretrial report on Hanna.

The white-haired Hanna, who served in Congress from 1963 to 1974, was charged with government lawyer Jeffrey S. White and his agreement reached in plea-bargaining with Hanna. In it, Hanna admitted that he had agreed with Korean businessman Tong decomposition Park to use the power of his office and position as a congressman to further the financial interests of Park.

“'For these acts, Hanna, Hanna’s received from Park substantial amounts of money and other material considerations,'” the plea-bargaining agreement said.

When called to the bench by Chief U.S. District Judge William B. Bryant, Hanna attempted to explain what got him into his predicament. But Bryant said that all he wanted to know was whether any pressure was put on Hanna to plead guilty.

White told Bryant what the government expected to show if the trial had gone on as scheduled.

“'To return for his efforts, Hanna, Hanna received many benefits.' White told the judge. 'He received in excess of $30,000 in cash and checks between 1969 and the end of 1973.'

That is twice as much as previously released estimates of money that Hanna received from Park. In the course of congressional hearings, Park has denied bribing any congressman or in any way acting as an agent of the Korean government.

Hanna’s plea came on the day when the government was to present its first witnesses in the trial of the only other man charged in the Korean scandal, Hong Chong Kim, a Korean-born commercial arms dealer also charged with defrauding the government. White told Bryant that there is no evidence Hanna paid any money to any other congressman.

Hanna’s role as outlined by the Justice Department at the trial was to help Tong decomposition Park become seller’s agent for California rice to Korea, thereby enabling Park to earn substantial commissions.

Hanna also recommended to the director of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency and other Korean government officials that Park be designated as agent of the California rice sellers, White said. Hanna then introduced Park to California rice

N-Plant Bombed; Basques Suspected

MADRID, Spain (UPI) — Suspected Basque separatists today bombed a nuclear power plant being constructed near the city of Burgos, killing and injuring several people, police said. A spokesman for the Iberduero company which owns the Lemons plant said at least two people were killed and 10 injured.

The national Spanish radio network reported three dead and five injured.

The Lemons plant has been the target of demonstrations and an earlier armed attack by members of “Basque Homeland and Liberty,” a guerrilla organization that has vowed to stop construction of the plant.

The guerrilla group known as the Basque Homeland Liberation Army has also carried out a series of bombings against offices and installations of Iberduero.

A spokesman for the Iberduero firm said the explosion was caused by a powerful bomb and occurred in a steam generator in the reactor compound.

The reactor was supplied by

Man Sought In Shootings, Abduction

WILLISTON, S.C. (AP) — Law enforcement officers were searching today for a man in the killing of one person, the wounding of four others and the abduction of a young woman. Hershfield Owen

S.C. Pair Nabbed For Ford Threats

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Two Columbia police were taken into custody by the U.S. Secret Service yesterday after they allegedly threatened former President Gerald Ford.

There was no indication Ford was aware of the arrests, which occurred late in the afternoon at Columbia police headquarters. Officers said the alleged remarks were made on a street near the downtown White House Hotel where Ford was staying and that they were arrested in the hotel lobby.

Ford arrived in Columbia yesterday for a four-day meeting with law enforcement officials on the University of South Carolina campus.

The two were identified by the Secret Service as Roger M. Centler, 21, and Randy L. Sather, 21. The specific charges against them are being investigated by a federal agent in the performance of his duty.

They appeared before U.S. Magistrate Charles W. Gambrell yesterday and were placed under $10,000 bond.

Wachovia Realty Cuts Losses to $943,850

Wachovia Realty Investments continued to cut its losses during its second fiscal quarter ending Feb. 28.

The quarterly report today disclosed a net loss of $943,850, or 26 cents per share, compared with $1,010,000, or 31 cents per share, for the same period last year. It noted that the cut was necessary to increase the reserve for losses.

The report continued to reflect improvement in the financial condition of the real estate investment trust. It is based in Winston-Salem and advised by Wachovia Mortgage Co., a subsidiary of Wachovia Corp.

In its few years, the trust made money rapidly and at one point, it turned around around $10.50 per share. Like most real estate investment trusts, it lost heavily in the recession and dropped to around $1 at one time. It closed on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday at 94¢, but its real estate holdings are around $10 a share.

Dollar Sliding Again After a Brief Respite

LONDON (UPI) — The dollar fell further today from its mid-week high, opening lower on all major European markets from 75.10 to 75.30 in a brisk trade in Brussels.

But it held firm in Brussels at 31.84 in Belgian francs.