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JIMMY CARTER: 'IF KENNEDY RUNS I'LL WHIP HIS ASS'

By ANDY SOLTIS

A DEFIANT President Carter has thrown down the gauntlet to Sen. Edward Kennedy in their rivalry for the 1980 Democratic presidential nomination.

"If Kennedy runs, I'll whip his ass," Carter told stunned congressmen at a White House dinner.

When one House member asked if he had heard the President correctly, Carter repeated the remark.

"I thought my ears were deceiving me," said Rep. William Brodhead (D-Mich.) last night.

Carter, a born-again Christian, has been known to object to even the mildest of oaths.

Kennedy laughed this morning, when asked his reaction to Carter's remark.

"Well, if I were to run, which I don't intend to, I would hope to win," Kennedy said on the nationally-televised NBC-TV "Today" show.

White House aides have

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Wayne baptized as a Catholic on his deathbed

IN HIS dying days John Wayne turned to God. The 72-year-old actor was baptized and given the last rites of the Roman Catholic Church just before his death from cancer, *The Post* learned today.

He apparently chose to convert so that he would be of the same religion as his children. Wayne's three wives were Catholic. *For the full story, see Page 13.*

The *Post* also publishes today the first part of a major series on the John Wayne the world never saw. His tantrum-throwing childhood and his early life in a "miserable little shanty." *See Pages 27 and 30.*



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Guidry return date in doubt

Dispute over severity of 'painful' back injury

By BOB DEBURY

BLOOMINGTON — RON GUIDRY may not miss "more than one turn in the rotation," Twins' team physician Dr. Harvey O'Phelan said today after examining the Yankees' lefthander for the frightening back injury he suffered on the mound here last night.

That was O'Phelan's evaluation — not supported by Yankee trainer Gene Monahan, who expressed some doubts.

O'Phelan said: "That's a quick evaluation, granted, but it just looks like a pulled muscle between the spine and the scapula [shoulder blade]." O'Phelan said at Fairview-Southvale Hospital in Minneapolis, where Guidry was taken on a stretcher after injuring himself throwing a fast-ball.

"It's a terribly uncommon injury, terribly painful, but all we can do is put him under physical therapy," O'Phelan said. "The x-rays were negative. Usually people who have this injury start to come around in a couple of days."

Guidry's therapy will consist of massages and cold packs applied to the pulled

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muscle. He has been given some medication.

O'Phelan and Monahan, after examining Guidry for 45 minutes this morning, decided to keep him in the hospital for another day of observation. He is expected to be released tomorrow.

Monahan was less hopeful than O'Phelan.

"There's no way of knowing how long Guidry will be out. I tell you, there's no way of telling how long this will last. It's a paraspinal injury, and you like to be careful with these things."

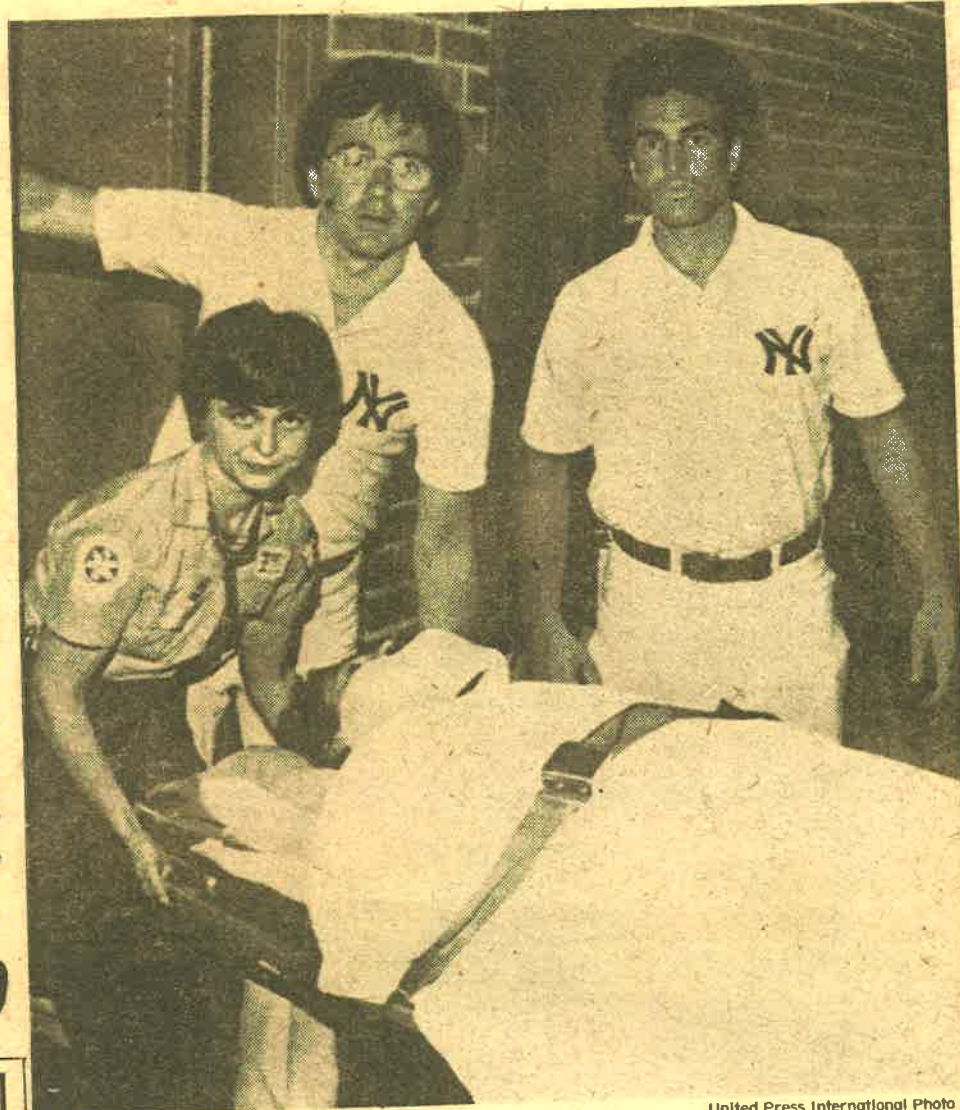
Last night, as Guidry lay motionless on the hospital

stretcher in the Twins' trainer's room, the Yankees nearest the door blanched as trainer Monahan bent over Guidry's sedated, strapped-in body, opened one eyelid and shined a miniature flashlight into the pupil. Tommy John was told to call Guidry's wife in New Jersey.

Suddenly the Yanks' 4-1 victory over Jerry Koosman and the Twins last night meant nothing. The heart and soul of the Yankee pitching staff, if not this Yankee team, was hurt.

"X-rays have been taken," a Yankee spokesman said early this morning. "They show no fracture of the spine or ribs, and there doesn't appear to be any nerve damage."

How long will Guidry be hurt?
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United Press International Photo
Ron Guidry is wheeled out of the Yankees' clubhouse on a stretcher after hurting his back in the seventh inning last night in Minnesota.

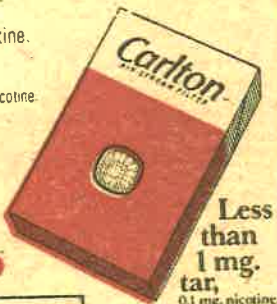
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NHL expansion draft

Rangers lose Fotiu, Plante, Farrish — Isles Price, Hart



NICK FOTIU
Picked by Whalers

By DOUG GOULD

THE NEW-LOOK Rangers, the team that Fred Shero brought to the Stanley Cup final round last month, will have an even newer look next season.

The New Yorkers will have a number of spots to fill on their roster after losing regulars Dave Farrish, Pierre Plante and the popular Nick Fotiu as the NHL conducted an expansion draft in Montreal today. In addition, they lost goaltender Lindsay Middlebrook,

who played with New Haven last season.

The Islanders, who made deals with Quebec prior to the draft, lost only two players. Defenseman Gerry Hart, who threatened to retire if drafted, was selected by the Nordiques in the second round and Pat Price was chosen by Edmonton in the third round.

Designed to stock four former WHA clubs with a pool of present NHL and WHA players, draft rules allowed the 17 existing

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