

# Ford Seeks \$440 Billion Budget

## Here's Budget Through '79

By Edmond Le Breton  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON — President Ford sent a \$440 billion federal budget Monday to a Congress already looking beyond it to one drawn closer to President-elect Carter's specifications.

"We'll be watching for the Carter amendments," House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill told reporters. Calling Ford a lame duck President, O'Neill said "No one pays much attention to what a lame duck President has to say . . . With seven and one-half million people unemployed, this budget is insufficient."

House Budget Committee Chairman Robert N. Giaino, D-Conn., said at a news conference, "I expect the Congress and the new administration to move more positively than does this budget toward faster economic growth and substantially different budget priorities."

Giaino said some of the spending restraints Ford proposed have the effect of reducing federal aid to "the working poor and the near-poor." "In many ways, the President continues to make it more attractive to remain on welfare than to work," Giaino said.

He said his committee expects Carter's recommendations for immediate economic stimulus as early as next week and Congress could enact them by the end of March. The new administration's amendments to Ford's budget, which is for the next fiscal year, should be along in about a month, he added.

By Associated Press  
Here's the budget at a glance. It is in billions of dollars.

	1977 Est.	1978 Est.	1979 Est.
Receipts	\$354	\$393	\$454.4
Outlays	411.2	440	466
Deficit	57.2	47	11.6

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# Execution: Frantic to End

By George A. Sorensen  
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DRAPER — Gary Mark Gilmore died before a firing squad at Utah State Prison Monday at 8:07 a.m. — 18 minutes behind schedule.

He became the first man in the United States to be executed in nearly 10 years and the first in Utah in nearly 17 years.

His sunrise date with death was delayed by frantic 11th-hour attempts to stay the execution by opponents of capital punishment.

Gilmore died for the murder of Bennie Jenkins Bushnell, 26, Provo. He murdered Mr. Bushnell during a robbery at the City Center Motel, Provo, on July 20, 1976. Mr. Bushnell worked as a clerk at the motel.

Gilmore, 36, also had been charged with the murder of Max Jensen, 24, also of Provo. Mr. Jensen was found in the bathroom of an Orem service Station with two bullet wounds in the head.

This required a change in the order of 4th District Court Judge J. Robert Bullock who had sentenced Gilmore to die at 7:49 a.m.

When it became apparent the legal maneuvering would extend the execution beyond 7:49 a.m., Noal T. Wootton, Utah County Attorney, obtained a change from Judge Bullock which said Gilmore could be executed "anytime" Monday.

Within minutes after the word was received from the appeals court in Denver, the condemned man was taken from the prison's maximum security facility and placed in a waiting van. He wore a black T-shirt, white pants and tennis shoes.

He was driven around the back of the prison compound to a building which once had been the prison's cannery. It is now being used for storage.

He was taken inside the building and strapped into a chair. Seconds before he was executed by five riflemen, a black

hood was placed over his head. The riflemen — four with bullets in their rifles and one with a blank — were stationed behind a sailcloth screen 26 feet away.

The last words he uttered were to the Rev. Thomas J. Meersman, Catholic chaplain at the prison.

Gilmore said, "Dominus vobiscum." (The Lord be with you.)

"This came as a complete surprise to me," he said.

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## Witness Airs Version of 'Last Hour'

Special to The Tribune  
UTAH STATE PRISON — Minutes after the execution of Gary Mark Gilmore here Monday, the four witnesses filed into a meeting room at the prison's administration building for a brief session with reporters.

One of the wit-ary agent Lawrence Schiller, who told The Tribune last week that he would provide the press with details of the firing squad execution.

Mr. Schiller bought the book and film rights from Gilmore to tell the story of the condemned man.

Mr. Schiller Here is a transcript of Mr. Schiller's account.

Refers to Notes

"I think so that all the facts are made known, I will try to relate it as best as my notes can . . .

"I will start when we were notified that the execution was to take place. The first indication was (a) phone call from Mr. Wootton (Utah County Attorney Poal T. Wootton), to one of the attorneys that Judge Bullock (Judge J. Robert Bullock, the sentencing judge of the 4th District Court), had changed the order, not at sunrise but any time during the day.

"That was the first indication.

"The second indication was, we were informed that Gary had left maximum at approximately seven minutes to eight. Just prior to that, we saw many gentlemen walking toward the shed. The walk was about 60 to 80 yards.

Long List of People

"We were asked to then leave the minimum security visiting area, where everybody was. That included a long list of people. The list included, in the order of their arrivals, (Utah County Sheriff (Mac) Holley, Ida (Mrs. Damico) and her daughter, Toni, Dr. Richards, and two women, a mailman passed by, Mr. Gee, I believe, social worker Lewis. There were several other family members — cousins of Gary had arrived. Various people from the prison. Two people from the mortuary were in the waiting room. Mr. Stoddard of the prison then said for us to move. We were all escorted to cars.

"We drove approximately a quarter of a mile. Mr. Wootton was the only one walking. He had come from another direction. He was not in the waiting area.

Black Tent Covers Doors

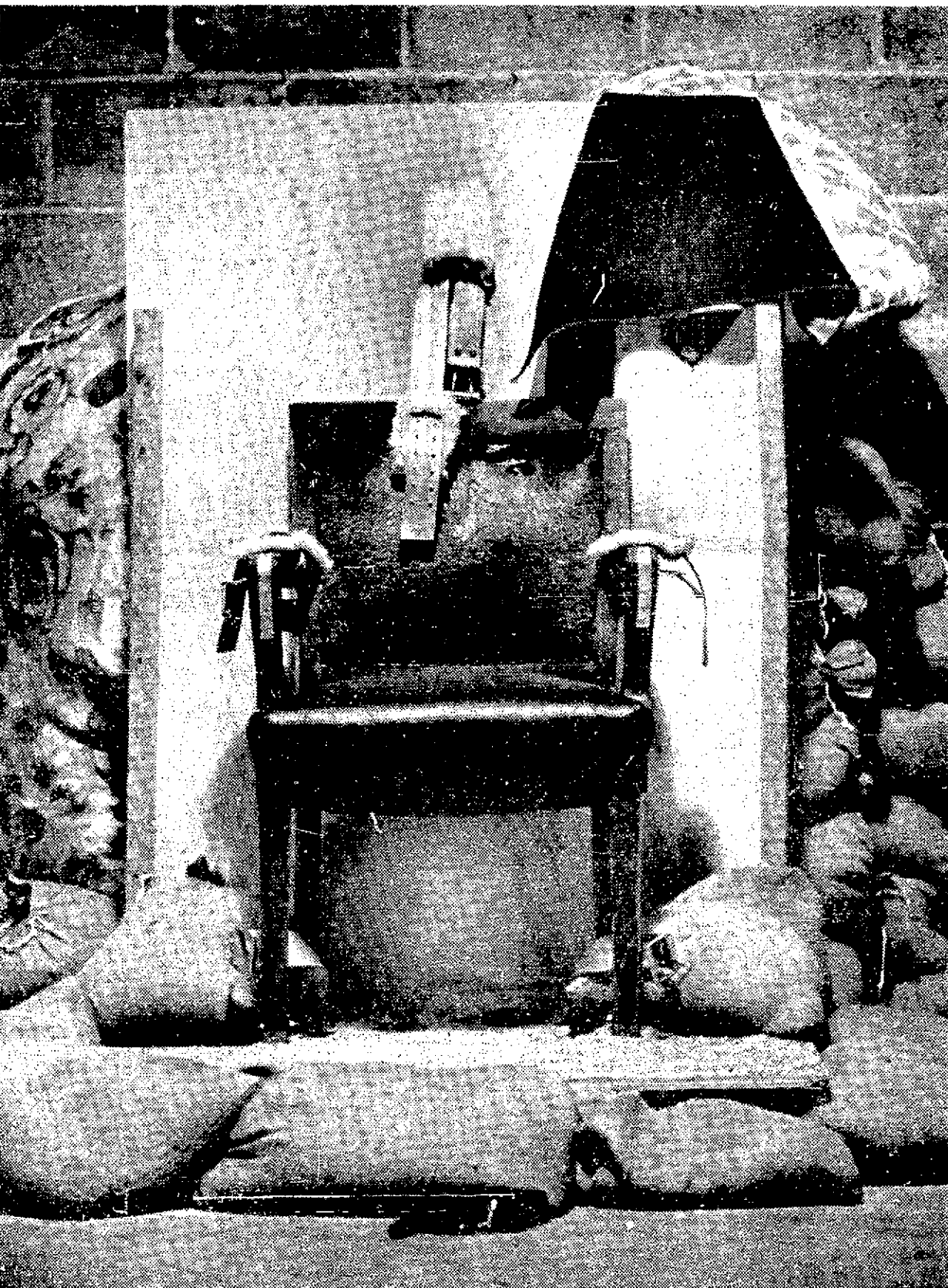
"When we drove to the shed we saw a black tent to the right that covered the doors. We were informed that Gary was already inside. We then went inside. We entered a door (and) to our right were sandbags, a normal chair, green-covered. Gary was already strapped in it. They were not tight shackles. I believe they were made of nylon or some synthetic, very loose.

"There was the warden, priest, doctor, and three or four other additional members around him in red coats.

"To the left, behind a wooden barricade that had been put up, there were approximately 20 other people. We were asked to stand behind a line. Gary was talking to the prison officials and the warden.

"He was calm, I believe direct. I

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At 8:07 a.m. Monday, four bullets ripped into Gary Mark Gilmore as he sat in this chair in old cannery building at the Utah State Prison. Black hood Gilmore wore is on plywood backdrop.

## Navy Boat Collides With Freighter, Kills 24 U.S. Seamen Off Spain

By Fenton Wheeler  
Associated Press Writer  
BARCELONA, Spain — A U.S. Navy launch carrying more than 100 sailors and Marines collided with a Spanish freighter and capsized Monday in the early morning darkness of Barcelona harbor.

At least 24 of the servicemen perished, a Navy spokesman said, and 30 were injured.

He reported Monday night that 26 men were still unaccounted for but said it had not been determined if they were all on the launch.

Fourteen of the 26 were seen aboard the launch by survivors, he said, and the other 12 might have remained ashore on leave.

An even greater tragedy was averted when Spanish tugboats sped to the scene and righted the overturned 56-foot launch. They found more than a dozen men hanging on for their lives in

a 1½-foot airspace below the inverted deck.

According to a Barcelona newspaper, they were trapped under the launch for two hours before the tugboats could roll it over.

Patrol boats were searching the harbor waters for identification papers of the victims.

The Navy withheld the identities of the victims pending notification of next-of-kin, expected to be completed within 24 hours.

The accident occurred at about 2:20 a.m. as the launch was just pulling out and rounding a pier to ferry the men back to their U.S. 6th Fleet ships after a night in Barcelona.

"We saw a ship coming at us suddenly and it kept coming," said Marine Cpl. Herb Braxton, 22, of Camden, N.J. "People started to yell, 'Damn it, watch out,' but the ship kept coming."

"The bump didn't do much damage but the ship just kept on coming into us and that's what turned us over," Braxton said.

A nonswimmer, he was one of those trapped under the launch when it rolled over. Scores of others who were dumped into the dark, 50-degree waters swam to safety.

U.S. officials said the launch collided with the 380-ton Urela, a Spanish coastal freighter. There were no reports of injuries on the bigger ship.

"It was a nightmare but there was not any real panic except for a couple of guys," said survivor Richard Felzien, a first class petty officer from Norfolk, Va., who was being treated for shock in a Barcelona hospital.

### Today's Chuckle

If anything makes a small child thirstier than going to bed, it's knowing that his parents have gone to bed, too.

## Sorensen Declines CIA Post as Opposition Rises

By Wendell Rawls  
New York Times Writer  
WASHINGTON — Theodore C. Sorensen, bowing to growing opposition within the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, told the committee Monday that he had asked President-elect Carter to withdraw his nomination as director of central intelligence.

"It is now clear that a substantial portion of the United States Senate and the intelligence community is not yet ready to accept as director of central intelligence an outsider who believes as I believe," Sorensen told the stunned committee members. "It is equally clear that to continue fighting for this post, which would be my natural inclination, would only handicap the new administration if I am rejected, or handicap my effectiveness as director if I am confirmed."

Carter, in a brief statement issued by his press secretary, Jody Powell, in Americus, Ga., accepted Sorensen's decision with an expression of regret, saying, "The administration and the intelligence community have lost the services of an extremely talented and dedicated man."

First Major Setback

Sorensen's withdrawal was the first major setback for the President-elect in his dealings with Congress, and while Powell avoided any description of Carter's reaction beyond the prepared statement, insiders suggested that the response to the senators' opposition to Sorensen was one of anger.

Powell said that Carter still preferred someone from outside the intelligence community for the job but that he did not anticipate an announcement on a new appointment to the post until after the inauguration on Thursday.

Opposition to Sorensen's appointment, which developed at the outset among a minority of the 15-member committee, began to grow late last week when questions were raised about an affidavit he gave 4½ years ago for use by Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony Joseph Russo Jr. in their Pentagon papers trial.

Takes Along Documents

In the affidavit, which was a matter of public record but was not admitted into evidence at the trial, Sorensen said that when he left the White House in February, 1964, after the death of President John F. Kennedy, he took with him 67 boxes of documents, letters and other material, including seven boxes that contained "classified" information.

He said that he had used the material in writing a book on the Kennedy administration, in which he had served for more than three years as speech writer and special counsel to the President. Sorensen received \$200,000 for the book as an advance against royalties. In December, 1968, Sorensen returned the materials to the government as a gift to the John Fitzgerald Kennedy library and took a tax deduction of \$231,000.

There was no suggestion that what Sorensen did was illegal or anything other than accepted practice at the time.

Stirs Critical Questions

The disclosure of the affidavit, however, generated critical questions and growing opposition to the Sorensen nomination within the committee.

In addition, committee members were said to have expressed concern over a number of other issues. They cited what they called Sorensen's

"pacifist" approach to military service; his role in aiding Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., in the handling of the Chappaquiddick incident; a suspicion that he knew more than he would acknowledge about CIA assassination plots in the Kennedy years; his inexperience in foreign intelligence, and the fact that his New York law firm (Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton and Garrison) represented multinational corporations and countries such as Zaire, Sierra Leone and Iran, where the CIA is influential.

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## Senate Eases Motorcycle Helmet Code

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The Utah Senate Monday passed a bill to permit motorcyclists at least 18 years old to ride without helmets.

The action, during a light day of activity for both houses of the Utah Legislature, was taken by a unanimous vote. The bill now goes to the House of Representatives for its consent.

In contrast to past years when similar proposals brought cyclists to the Senate gallery seeking such action, the motorcycle helmet bill was passed with little comment and few onlookers.

The reason is that Congress has taken action to bar federal funds from states which do not have helmet requirements.

State law would still require those under 18 years old to wear headgear on all streets and highways regardless of speed limit.

The Senate-endorsed bill, sponsored by Sen. Edward T. Beck, D-Kearns, also abolishes the present requirement that protective eyewear must be worn by cyclists.

Among other Senate action Monday was the introduction of a bill calling for acquisition from private owners of the 163-acre Gunnison Island and the 22-acre Bird Island in Great Salt Lake to be controlled as a preserve for white pelicans.

Sponsored by Sen. Thorpe Waddingham, D-Delta, the bill notes that

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