

Many see Chou policy as lasting

By our wire services

Leaders of the world's non-Communist nations Thursday predicted that the death of Chou En-lai would not affect the Chinese policy of increased understanding with the west that Chou had helped to foster.

The 78-year-old premier of the People's Republic of China died Thursday in Peking of cancer. He had

been premier of the republic since its creation in 1949.

A descendant of Mandarin forebears who turned Communist revolutionary in his youth, Chou had been confined to a hospital for much of the time since 1972, when he was reported stricken with a heart ailment. He gave up most of his duties as premier and as one of five vice-chairmen of the party in the spring of that year.

The Chinese leadership, in its eulogy, called Chou "the great fighter of the Chinese people" and termed his death "a gigantic loss."

In a message of condolence, President Ford said in Washington that Chou "has left his imprint not only on the history of modern China, but also on the world scene."

But he expressed confidence that the improved Sino-American relations

Chou helped lay the groundwork for in 1972 "will continue to develop on the foundation of understanding and cooperation which he helped to establish."

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger expressed sorrow at Chou's death, but like Ford predicted it will produce no change in U.S.-Chinese relations:

"The relations between the United States and the People's Republic of

China are determined by permanent interests, and therefore will continue on their present course."

In Moscow, the official news agency Tass carried only a one-paragraph dispatch from Peking announcing Chou's death.

West European officials said it was too early to predict what effect Chou's death would have on Chinese policy toward Europe.

But NATO officials, noting the premier had been ailing and out of day-to-day government for some time, doubted his absence would usher in any dramatic changes in China's European relations.

One NATO official added, however, that the military alliance "will be keeping a close look" on China. "If the Soviets make up with China, they will have a freer hand to give us trouble."

Insight

Chou's goals for Chinese to be tested

'Younger' leaders groomed to take command posts

By Fox Butterfield
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HONG KONG — The death in Peking Thursday of Premier Chou En-lai, China's senior administrator for more than two decades, comes at a time when China appears solidly embarked on a broad course of stability and economic development Chou himself had helped to chart during his last years of prolonged illness.

Whether China can achieve the ambitious goal Chou outlined of becoming a "powerful, modern socialist state" by the end of the century will be a final test of his legacy to the Chinese Revolution. Chou, who was 78, enunciated his vision at the National People's Congress a year ago. It was his last major public action.

Over the past two or three years, the shrewd, sophisticated and tenacious Chou also had helped put together a collective leadership of slightly younger men to succeed himself and Chairman Mao Tse-tung. With Chou's death, from cancer, and with the 82-year-old Chairman Mao in frail health, the task of guiding China's 800 million people will fall increasingly on them.

Foremost among them is Teng Hsiao-ping, the tough, pragmatic 71-year-old senior deputy prime minister, who also is chief of staff of the armed forces and a vice chairman of the party. Thus he has a voice in three critical areas — the party, the government and the military. It was Teng who, in the absence of Chou, negotiated with President Ford during his trip to Peking last fall.

Perhaps aware that Chou was approaching death, Teng has moved swiftly over the past few months to consolidate his power by appointing a large number of his own followers or like-minded party veterans to key jobs. But Teng, a short, blunt man, was purged during the Cultural Revolution and still could have powerful enemies.

In the view of analysts here, the other most important figure may be Chang Chun-chiao, the second deputy prime minister. Chang, about 66, is a smooth, pleasant man whom some Chinese compare with Chou. Chang was a major architect of the Cultural Revolution and once was thought to represent the radical faction from Shanghai.

How well he gets along with Teng, whom he denounced during the Cultural Revolution, is a frequent matter of conjecture. A Chinese television film of China's National Day on Oct. 1, 1974, (See AGED, Page 8)

Trial delayed for drinking defendant

Proceedings in Boone County Circuit Court, Division II, temporarily were disrupted Thursday morning when a defendant about to be tried for second degree burglary entered the courtroom intoxicated.

Ronald G. Williams, 20, of 207 Switzer St., was to be tried for the Sept. 7 burglary of a building at 14 N. Garth Ave. He entered the courtroom with three friends and sat down about five rows from the front. Williams then started mumbling comments out loud.

His attorney, public defender Terry Brummer, asked Judge Frank Conley for a postponement of the trial because of his client's condition.

Conley granted the request and ordered Williams jailed without bond until the Jan. 15 trial.

Bailiff Eddie Goodwin approached Williams to place him in custody. Williams, aided by Alfred L. Whitfield, 24 E. Pendleton St., resisted arrest. Three police officers involved in another case went to Goodwin's aid.

Williams and Whitfield finally were subdued outside the courtroom. Both were jailed.

Whitfield was charged with being drunk in the courthouse and failing to comply with the reasonable request of officers. Williams was charged with being drunk in the courthouse and resisting arrest.

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Icing on the lake

Burt Mackaman enjoyed the fire beside Nichol's Lake Thursday afternoon while a few other persons enjoyed the ice. Mackaman brought his two sons to the lake to skate. It is the only one supervised by the Columbia Parks and Recreation Department that has

been found safe for skating. The lake is on Parkside Drive, northeast of the Municipal Golf Course. See related story, Page 14. (Missourian photo by Tim Cochran)

County farmers speak for strict planning

By Carrie Francke
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Area farmers turned out in force Thursday night at a public hearing on proposed revisions to Boone County's planning and zoning ordinance, and their message to the commission was that strict planning and zoning is vital to the farming industry.

The farmers objected to the subdivision rules proposed in the revision, which would allow unlimited sale or division of property into parcels of 2 hectares (5 acres) or more any number of times, without it being classified as subdividing. Only when property is divided into parcels of less than 2 hectares (5 acres) would it be considered subdividing and subject to the subdivision code.

Charles Woodward, owner of a 600-hectare (1,500-acre) farm near Rocheport, said this would allow someone to take his land and divide it

into 150 plots of 4 hectares (10 acres) and create 150 residential sites.

"About two years ago we decided Boone County was a wonderful place to set up a farm business because it had planning and zoning. If you're going to allow my 1,500 acres (600 hectares) to be cut up in 10-acre (4-hectare) lots, you might as well forget agriculture as an

economy to this county. It won't exist anymore."

A Columbia resident who has a farm in the county, David Horner, echoed Woodward's statement. "The agricultural community is pretty fragile in Boone County as it is. If you look at the zoning property on the map, not much is A-1 agricultural land. I

really believe people want to see some farming retained, and I am afraid it won't be."

The hearing Thursday night was the first of four public hearings on the proposed revisions. It was held at the Columbia Public Library. Planning and zoning commissioners listened to public comments, and revisions committee

Barnes wants crime study panel

By Stephen Burgess
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A joint task force appointed by city and county officials to investigate crime throughout Boone County has been suggested by First Ward Councilman Pat Barnes.

Barnes said Thursday he intends to discuss the possibility of appointing a "blue-ribbon" commission with

members of the City Council and the Boone County Court.

The goal, Barnes said, would be "to make a recommendation on what Columbia and Boone County can do as a cooperative effort" to fight crime.

Consolidation of law enforcement activities of the sheriff's office and the police department was proposed by Barnes Monday. Barnes said he believes consolidation "would be the

ideal," but he said it is only one of many solutions a task force might recommend.

Barnes said a task force on crime should include a circuit court judge, criminal law experts, a representative from the prosecuting attorney's office and representatives of the police and sheriff's departments.

A cooperative effort is needed, (See COUNCILMAN, Page 14)

Columbia lifesavers honored by employer

By Trish Robb
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How do you save a life? "I don't remember thinking about it at all," David Quint, 1308 Pearl St., recalled Thursday. "It just happened."

"John sat down in the lunchroom that day and took a bite of his sugar doughnut, and all of a sudden began choking. It had lodged in his throat. He couldn't dislodge it, and when he stood up his face was red and distorted. I knew right away what I had to do. I jumped up and ran behind him to clasp my arms around under his rib cage and push up.

"I'm not a big man, but right then I was scared, and I think the adrenaline running through me gave me the strength of a man of about 200 pounds (90 kilograms). I was able to hit hard enough to force air up through John's throat and dislodge the food. Thank goodness I had recently read about the technique in a magazine."

Quint, a switchman, was one of two General Telephone Co. employees

honored Thursday with certificates and \$100 cash for lifesaving actions.

L. T. Dozier, 1707 Jackson St., also was honored by company president J. P. Christensen.

Dozier, an installation and maintenance supervisor, agreed that his actions were not something he thought about.

"I think it's a natural part of everyone to help another person in trouble; it comes to the surface when you need it."

Dozier, on vacation at Kentucky Lake, rescued an Ohio man from drowning last April. The man had fallen out of his motor boat and the boat was circling him in the water.

"I just saw someone who needed help," he said. "He said he couldn't swim, and I knew I had to get him away from the boat. At one point it missed hitting him by an inch (2.5 centimeters). I managed to pull him out of the water and into my boat."

"I later received a very nice letter of thanks from him. It was a good feeling to know I had really helped someone."



David Quint
A lifesaver



L. T. Dozier
Honored Thursday

M.U. president takes his pitch to legislators

By Keith White
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JEFFERSON CITY — The University brought its fight for more state money in fiscal year 1977 to the legislature Thursday when President C. Bruce Ratchford asked for an increase of at least \$9 million instead of Gov. Christopher S. Bond's recommended \$5.86.

Ratchford spoke to the House Appropriation's subcommittee on higher education. Ratchford will make his budget pitch to the Senate Jan. 26.

Stressing the University's unique mission in higher education, Ratchford said he had concluded that with Gov. Bond's recommendation, "We would just have to admit to the world that we would have to let quality decline."

Ratchford said he was "amazed" at the governor's recommendation, which amounted to a 4.9 per cent increase from state funds for the University. The increase recommended by Bond for all of higher education from state funds was 8.99 per cent.

He reminded the legislators that the University often has been assigned "without our request" additional responsibilities such as the Rusk Rehabilitation Center.

He reminded legislators of a medical

school created in Kansas City where the first class will be approaching its sixth and final year. Provisions for that class will cost \$265,000.

He stressed that the "University family is not a bunch of highly paid people". Nearly 70 per cent of the University's employees make less than \$12,000 annually, Ratchford said, and almost 90 per cent make less than \$20,000.

But inflation was pictured as the University's biggest problem.

"For three years, the increase in appropriations has not kept pace with inflation," Ratchford said. "The first reductions probably did not affect quality, but we have gone beyond that point."

"Almost all of the projected increase in expenditures is due to factors beyond the control of the University — principally inflation," Ratchford said.

"Inflation is forcing the University to face a \$7.57 million inescapable cost increase," Ratchford said. Three items alone comprise \$6.2 million of that figure.

Of the three, the largest is \$2.9 million for expense and equipment inflation. Ratchford told legislators that for the last two years, essentially all the new money received by the University has (See QUALITY, Page 8)