

Bitter Goodwin quits chairmanship

By John DeWitt
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PHOENIX — With a bitter blast at the House leadership, Rep. Tom Goodwin, R-Tucson, resigned yesterday as chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Goodwin delivered his sometimes rambling resignation speech in a fatigued voice to a House of Representatives that was deathly quiet.

It was the "bombshell" he had promised last week after House Speaker Frank Kelley said he would not reappoint Goodwin to head the appropriations panel next year. Kelley also said Goodwin's continuation in the

Some are worried about what the resignation will mean for Tucson; others see few problems. Page 14A.

chair this year depended on his good conduct.

Kelley reaffirmed his intentions yesterday before the full House under questioning by Goodwin.

The question of who will succeed Goodwin won't be an easy one to answer. Page 14A.

"I can't stand you," Goodwin shot at Kelley, who sat stone-faced through the denunciations.

"I've had about all I can take from you and the whip," Goodwin said. He excepted House Majority Leader Burton Barr from his blast, saying, "I highly respect" Barr.

Goodwin charged, referring to his 10 years as the chief of the powerful appropriations panel.

"Well, I am tired of being the one shot," Goodwin said.

"Mr. Speaker, I'm going to tell you a few things," Goodwin said.



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UA coach Williams found dead

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University of Arizona track coach Willie Laverne Williams was found dead, apparently from a self-inflicted gunshot, at his off-campus office yesterday afternoon, UA police said.

Williams, 41, who was also a coach for the U.S. Olympic track team, was found

Williams' former athletes express shock. Page 1G.

at 2:40 p.m. by his assistant, Michael Rowell, in an office at Ritzon Vista, a university track facility at 518 S. Parkway Terrace.

Williams was discovered face-down, clutching a .38-caliber handgun that he had bought for \$300 earlier in the day, said UA Police Sgt. Samuel J. Ragnard.

Ragnard said it appeared that Williams shot himself in the right temple.

He said no suicide note was found with the body. But the sergeant quoted an associate of Williams' as saying the coach appeared depressed yesterday, though the colleague did not know why.

As officials removed Williams' body from the field house, stunned members of

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Weather's toll climbs to 200 over 28 states

By Charlotte Porter
The Associated Press

The South reeled under a third straight day of snow and ice yesterday, and the storm then surged up the East Coast, dumping up to 18 inches in North Carolina and coating New York City for a second day. Since Saturday, 200 deaths have been blamed on the weather.

The Midwest, meanwhile, was hit by a "potentially dangerous" new storm that plunged temperatures back below zero and brought predictions of new snow and high winds today.

In Raleigh, N.C., visibility was reduced to a few feet by the haze-like, granular snow. Traffic on downtown streets was reduced to only one or two cars every 15 minutes.

The storm stretched from New England to North Carolina last night. Nine hundred workers were sent to salt and plow New York City streets, where 4 inches were expected on top of the 6 inches that fell Wednesday. Baltimore expected 2 to 4 more inches.

Massachusetts and Connecticut had received about 3 inches of a predicted 6 inches to a foot of new snow by late yesterday. The storm appeared to lessen, but forecasters

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Weather

Clear and warmer. Today will be sunny and slightly warmer with some high clouds. A high near 60 and a low near 35 are expected. Yesterday's high and low were 58 and 32.

A tornado was sighted east of Fort Myers, Fla., yesterday, and winds gusted to 60 mph at Titusville and Okeechobee, Fla. Ice weather covered the middle Atlantic Coast. Portland, Maine, reported 3 inches of new snow. The Pacific Northwest had a few showers with temperatures in the 30s and 40s.

Snow is forecast today for the Cascade range in the Pacific Northwest. Subzero temperature readings will continue from Montana to Minnesota.

Yesterday's national temperature extremes were 30 below zero at St. Cloud, Minn., and 82 at West Palm Beach and Lauderdale, Fla. Details on Page 4A.

Divers seek bodies, clues in 737 under Potomac ice



Windsor climbs out onto skid as Usher takes the copter down to the water to save a nearly frozen woman

Passenger gave his life to save 5 others on jet

Compiled from wire reports

WASHINGTON — A middle-aged man on a doomed Air Florida jetliner repeatedly gave up a lifeline thrown to him in the ice-clogged Potomac River so that five other people might live, the crew of a rescue helicopter said yesterday.

And while the others were carried to safety, the unknown hero quietly slipped beneath the ice-blackened waters, one of the victims of the first fatal commercial airplane crash at National Airport in more than three decades.

President Reagan, in New York to speak

in a business group, hailed the courage of the man and said, "We don't know who he is because he gave his life doing it."

Helicopter crew members Donald W. Usher and M.E. Windsor returned from the rescue mission Wednesday night to give their account to reporters. They were blue-jumpsuits and sad faces. The police revolvers slung under their arms seemed as irrelevant as they did useless.

They had acted heroically, and back at the office, they were embraced, sometimes emotionally, by their colleagues. They had taken up the rescue helicopter Eagle I under

marginal safety conditions in a snowstorm because there was no other way to reach the survivors. The ice had rendered rescue boats helpless, leaving firmness on the river bank trying desperately to tow lifelines to the survivors a hundred yards from shore.

At one point, Usher, the pilot, even dipped the helicopter's landing skids into the water, a dangerous maneuver, to allow Windsor to grab a woman who was unable to hold on to the rescue line. Had they hesitated 30 minutes hoping for better weather conditions, other officers said, there would have been no survivors of the crash.

By Mike Feinsilber
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Divers plunged into the frozen Potomac yesterday, searching for 40 bodies from a strangled Air Florida jetliner investigators suspect was heavy with ice when it fell on a bridge loaded with rush-hour motorists a day earlier.

Late in the day, the location of what could be the first clue to the cause of the crash was reported pinpointed — part of the wreckage containing the flight recorder.

The fuselage of the Boeing 737 lay a mere 20 feet from the riverbank and 25 feet from the surface, but it proved tortuously difficult to bring up.

The presumed death toll for the crash stood at 78 yesterday, as Air Force Lt. Mitchell Saunders and Ray Bowles of Cockeysville, Md., died in the afternoon of injuries suffered when their cars were struck by the plane. Two other motorists were killed. While the bodies of only nine people have been recovered from the plane, there are only five known survivors among 79 said to have been aboard.

Investigators focused on how ready the plane was to take off in subfreezing weather — how long it stood on the runway, whether it was properly de-iced and what caused it to slam into the 14th Street Bridge within seconds after takeoff Wednesday from National Airport.

The flight recorder takes down cockpit conversations and flight data. The spot where divers hoped to find them was marked with a buoy for further exploration today.

The recorder could provide "giant strides in the information available to us," said Ira Furman, spokesman for the National Transportation Safety Board.

Chief investigator Francis McAdams said it could take three days to as long as two weeks to raise the 100,000-pound footage, but officials said they hoped swiftly to find two onboard recorders that might provide clues to the cause of the crash.

The frozen bodies of an infant and a woman were pulled by boat crews from the

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But when the two officers told their story, they insisted that the only hero was the man whose courage had filled their eyes with tears. They knew him only as a head in the water, a balding man, perhaps in his middle, with a heavy mustache and gray sideburns.

"I've never seen anybody with that complexion," said Windsor, 41. "He gave the ultimate. He was a true gentleman and a hero in my eyes."

"I am a paramedic and you see that on almost a daily basis. You see people really

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News

Anti-abortion bill. The Arizona House passes a measure that would prohibit tax deductions for donations for groups that promote or perform abortions. Page 14A.

New bishop "thrilled." Tucson's new bishop says he accepted the job only after careful consideration and lengthy prayer, but the thought of his new responsibilities still overwhelms him. Page 14A.

Fed up with crime. Community leaders meet to form Crime Resisters, a group aimed at fighting crime through community action. Page 14A.

Steady at 55 mph. The state Senate Transportation Committee introduces a bill that would extend the federal 55-mph speed limit. Page 17A.

Costly legacy. President Reagan says his administration is picking up the tab, through the recession, for the excesses of his predecessors. Page 17.

Lifestyle

No bail for Nolan. A parole "hold" has again been placed on Ocala motorcycle gang leader and murder suspect James "Big Jim" Nolan. Page 18.

Fashionable hoedown. Tucson's 36th Annual Square and Round Dance Festival is under way, and dress is as important as dancing for many of the 1,500 participants. Page 18.

Entertainment

Family and friends. Willie Nelson, minus his famous pigtail but with his crowd-pleasing talents intact, charms 6,300 fans at the Tucson Community Center Arena. Page 18.

Pain and terrible. The Southern Arizona Light Opera Company's production of "Pain and Fancy" is an all-around failure, says critic Larry Harnisch. Page 18.



On the bench — Assistant U.S. Attorney John G. Hawkins is named judge of a new division of Pima County Superior Court. Story, Page 20A.

Sports

Wildcats head West. The University of Arizona basketball team will put its five-game losing streak on the line this weekend, hitting the road to Los Angeles to play Southern Cal and UCLA. Page 16.

Shifting into overdrive. Lucille Lee, a former secretary who wanted excitement and speed, is driving a dragster in Tucson for the American Hot Rod Association Winter Nationals. Page 16.

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