

## Pilot's Story

# 'I Feared Razor Most'

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — "He had an open razor in one hand, a pistol in the other, and a can of gasoline between his feet. I was more afraid of the razor than of anything else."

Capt. Billy Williams is no stranger to bizarre flights.

In October he ferried Marine Lance Cpl. Rafael Minichiello from New York to Rome as part of the world's longest air hijack.

But yesterday's flight was Williams' worst so far.

Williams was in TWA's New York office when Arthur Barkley commandeered Flight 486 over New Mexico.

"I just said, 'Well, here we go again.'"

He flew his small jet to Dulles Airport outside Washington, picked up \$100,750 of the \$100 million ransom money Barkley was demanding, and went on board.



**BILLY WILLIAMS**  
Brought money aboard

"He told me to put the money on the floor," Williams told reporters later. "The first thing he got was a packet of \$1 bills. This made him very mad. He threw the bills on the floor and ordered the pilot to put

the plane in the air."

"The hijacker convinced all of us that he was going to get rid of us whether he got the money or whether he didn't," he added.

After 2½ hours of flight over the Middle Atlantic states, Barkley agreed to a second landing at Dulles.

As the plane rolled to a stop, passengers began spilling out of the plane's emergency doors. Barkley ordered Williams back into the main cabin to close the doors.

"I tried to delay by not getting the doors shut," Williams said. When safely out of sight of the hijacker, he motioned to an officer on the ground to throw him a gun. He did so and Williams placed it on the cabin floor.

"I started walking back toward the cockpit again. I heard shots. The FBI had him."