

Notes on People

Edmund Brown Jr. Enters Calif

The fifth announced candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor of California is **Secretary of State Edmund G. Brown Jr.**, whose father had to step down from the Governorship in 1968 after **Ronald Reagan** defeated him for the office. Mr. Brown, who is 35 years old, is believed by some politically wise Democrats to be the frontrunner in the party race, partly because public opinion polls show he has "high name identification."

As Secretary of State, Mr. Brown has riled Governor Reagan to such an extent that Mr. Reagan proposed in his State of the State address recently that the office be made nonpartisan. Also running in the Democratic primary will be **Mayor Joseph L. Alioto** of San Francisco, United States Representative **Jerome R. Waldie**, **William Matson Roth**, a businessman, and **Herbert Hafif**, a lawyer.

With his wife on his arm, **John W. Dowdy**, a former Representative from Texas, walked into a Federal medical center in Springfield Mo., yesterday to begin serving a six-month sentence for perjury, conspiracy and for taking a \$25,000 bribe. Mr. Dowdy, who is 62 years old, had served for 20 years in the House of Representatives.

After surrendering yesterday, he was given a physical examination, which the director of the medical center said showed he was not

"critically or seriously sick." Mr. Dowdy's lawyer had said a prison sentence would kill his client.

Chief Justice **Warren E. Burger** and his wife are in Japan for a seven-day visit at the invitation of the Supreme Court of Japan. Apart from an address on the role of the Court in American life, set for Thursday in Kyoto, the Chief Justice's schedule is wrapped in mystery. No one could say precisely why, but American officials in Tokyo said the tight secrecy was at Mr. Burger's insistence. There were warnings about terrorists and Palestinian guerrillas and other general threats to security.

The sick list: **Earl Warren**, former Chief Justice of the United States, was listed in satisfactory condition in a hospital in Inglewood, Calif., where he is undergoing tests and observation for "a minor coronary problem." He is 82 years old. . . . **Truman Capote** is convalescing from a respiratory ailment at Eisenhower Medical Center in Palm Desert, Calif. He was hospitalized last Wednesday, and is expected to be released before Friday. . . . **Murray Chotiner**, a longtime political adviser to President Nixon, is recovering in a Washington hospital from injuries suffered in an auto accident last Wednesday. He has a broken leg. . . . Representative **Wilbur D. Mills**, chairman of the House Ways

and Means Committee, who has been recovering from back surgery performed several months ago, has a new woe. The Arkansas Democrat slipped and cracked a rib at his Washington home over the weekend.

Yale University has named its first woman department head. She is **Anne Coffin Hanson**, who will become chairman of the department of history of art effective July 1. Professor Hanson is completing a term as president of the College Art Association, the first woman to hold that post. Professor Hanson, whose specialty is the work of Edouard Manet, was also the first woman appointed directly to a full professorship in Yale's art history department. That was in 1970.

Although the Steinway people contend that all of their pianos are of equal quality, many pianists think some are exceptional. For example, in 1954 **Gary Graffman**, trying out several pianos at Steinway's, "discovered" one that became his favorite and soon the favorite of other pianists, including **Eugene Istomin**, **Leon Fleischer** and **Jacob Lateiner**. They have made elaborate arrangements to have the piano, known as the CD199, transported from city to city for their concerts.

Every three years or so,