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Mrs. Banuelos Quits Treasury

The Treasurer of the United States, **Romana Acosta Banuelos**, handed in her resignation yesterday, and President Nixon accepted it "with deep regret." Mrs. Banuelos, the White House said, gave personal and family reasons for her departure in her third year as Treasurer. However, sources in the Treasury Department said that she was unhappy over internal changes in the department.

Mrs. Banuelos is from Los Angeles, where she owns a food-packing company. Her confirmation as Treasurer was held up briefly in a controversy over charges that the company had paid some workers below-minimum wages.

After being sworn in as the newest member of the House of Representatives yesterday, **Richard F. VanderVeen**, Democrat of Michigan, told his first Washington news conference, "The silent majority has spoken, and its message is clear: Richard Nixon has failed us. Richard Nixon cannot lead us."

Mr. VanderVeen, who upset a Republican in the special election held to choose a successor to Vice President Ford in the House, asked that Mr. Nixon resign, and said that Congress should "impeach him if he does not."

Disclosing that he is suffering from "Lou Gehrig's disease," an incurable neuromuscular ailment, **Hal Boyle**, an Associated Press Pulitzer Prize winner, disclosed that he will close out his regular column today and become an "intermittent columnist." Mr. Boyle won the Pulitzer in 1945 for distinguished correspondence in covering the war in Europe. He has been a regular columnist since.

When she is awarded her pilot's wings today in ceremonies at the Corpus Christi, Tex., Naval Air Station, Lieut. (jg.) **Barbara Allen** will become the first woman flier in the military service. Lieutenant Allen, who is 25 years old, completed her flight training Tuesday, and will be assigned to flying transport aircraft. (Women are still prohibited from combat assignments.) She was one of eight candidates accepted into the Navy's flight program last year, after **Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr.**, Chief of Naval Operations, opened it to women. Five of the women are still in the program. One flunked out because of airsickness, and one resigned after getting married to her recruiter.

On the occasion of his 70th birthday yesterday, **Premier Aleksei N. Kosygin** of the Soviet Union was awarded his second Order of Lenin and Hero of Socialist Labor. A congratulatory message praised Mr. Kosygin "for his great services to the Commu-



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nist party and the Soviet state" and for his devotion to "the lofty ideals of Marxism-Leninism."

A Federal Bureau of Investigation spokesman in Washington confirmed that **Anthony B. Herbert**, the retired Army colonel who three years ago accused fellow officers of covering up Vietnam war crimes, had been investigated on charges of impersonating a Federal official. The spokesman said that when a Cranbury, N. J., gas station operator refused to sell gasoline to Colonel Herbert, the retired officer allegedly stated he was an Army Criminal Investigation Division agent working for the Internal Revenue Service. The operator was said to have let Colonel Herbert have some gas and then called the C.I.D. The F.B.I. said that Colonel Herbert denied the station operator's charges, and that Federal officials in New Jersey decided not to press a possible charge of impersonating a Federal official because the complaint against Colonel Herbert was trivial." The F.B.I. spokesman added: "We're not saying there was not a technical violation."

The next mayor of Cincinnati will be **Gerald N. Springer**, a former New Yorker who has lived in the Ohio City of 500,000 for only four years. Mr. Springer, who at 30 will be the youngest mayor in Cincinnati's history, is the son of German-Jewish refugee parents, Mr. and Mrs. **Richard Springer**, of 83-33 Austin Street, Kew Gardens, Queens. He is now a member of Cincinnati's city council, which picks a mayor from its membership. Mr. Springer, who is a lawyer, will begin his term next Dec. 1.

President Nixon, of course, does not have to line up for gas, but he is surrounded by people who do, according to **Kenneth R. Cole**, his assistant for domestic affairs. Asked whether Mr. Nixon was aware of the frustration

and anger of motorists, Mr. Cole said yesterday: "You'd have to be a dum-dum not to be aware of the situation. Most of those who are in the White House do wait in gasoline lines." He offered himself as an example. On a recent out-of-town speaking trip, said Mr. Cole, he topped up his tank four times because his wife was afraid they would run out of gas and "be stuck in the Baltimore Tunnel forever."

Senator Edward M. Kennedy visited his mother, Mrs. **Joseph P. Kennedy**, at St. Mary's Hospital in West Palm Beach, Fla., yesterday, before flying to Washington. A hospital spokesman said Mrs. Kennedy would be sent home from the hospital today to continue recuperation from what was described as "a minor cardiovascular accident," said to be considered a "quite minor" stroke. Mrs. Kennedy, who is 83 years old, was admitted to the hospital Tuesday after complaining of persistent headaches. The headaches were caused by a ruptured blood vessel in the head, the hospital spokesman said.

Linda Lovelace, a performer in erotic films, was granted a divorce yesterday from her former business manager, **Charles Traynor**. A Superior Court judge in Santa Monica, Calif., determined, after a three-minute hearing, that there were irreconcilable differences between Miss Lovelace and her husband, whom she married in 1971. She relinquished all claims to alimony or division of community-property assets.

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