

He died at Darius Hospital

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U.S. Aide, Former P.O.W., Named Envoy to Mauritius

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (UPI) — Philip W. Manhard, a prisoner of the Vietcong for five years, was appointed by President Nixon today to be United States Ambassador to Mauritius.

Mr. Manhard, 52 years old, was the highest ranking United States civilian taken prisoner during the Vietnam war. He was the senior American adviser at Hue when he was captured during the Vietcong's 1968 Tet offensive and received an award for valor after his release in 1973.

In Mauritius, a little island nation in the Indian Ocean, Mr. Manhard will succeed William D. Brewer, who has been appointed Ambassador to the Sudan.

The White House also announced the nomination of John Gunther Dean, 47, Deputy Chief of the United States mission in Laos since 1972, as the new Ambassador to Cambodia. He will succeed Emory C. Swank, who has been reassigned.

Robert E. Fritts, a career Foreign Service officer currently serving in the Sudan, was named Ambassador to Rwanda, succeeding Robert Foster Corrigan, who has resigned .