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Connally Will Not Succeed
Kissinger, White House Says

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WASHINGTON, APRIL 16—A White House aide denied today a report in The Los Angeles Times that President Ford was planning to name John B. Connally, former Governor of Texas, Secretary of State next year if he were elected to another term.

John Carlson, deputy White House press secretary, said that Mr. Ford "thinks highly" of Mr. Connally, but "to my knowledge has made no offer of any Government job" to him.

Mr. Carlson recalled that in an interview with a Texas television station yesterday, the President had repeated that he would like Henry A. Kissinger to remain as Secretary of State for as long as he was president.

Mr. Ford also said that "there is no understanding in any way whatsoever as to any position" for Mr. Connally.