

he drove out of parking lot. Gillickens on his his one appar-rgine to keep the way down 35 miles.

our

will continue "s." the Sovi-in capital of eria, Libya. it Agostinho after helping backed fac-ke out after 1975.



iller Ford will to one-week v president ...

visiting pro- mber and a

s President g state con-

eral Bureau of investigation, agents (blank), (blank) and (blank) and others that I did not know," Snyder said, continuing to read the letter. "Members of the (blank) police department, chief of detectives, captain (blank), lieutenant (blank), officer (blank), lieutenant (blank) of the homicide bureau and president of the FOP sergeant (blank)."

FOP stands for Fraternal Order of Police, an organization for police officers.

Snyder said he could not divulge the names listed in the letter or the identity of the man who contacted him.

"What I'm saying," Snyder said, "is those blanks need to be protected if there's nothing to this. And if it is an accurate allegation that he's made, then the author of the letter needs to be protected. The committee is investigating it."

IN WASHINGTON, an FBI spokesman said, "Anything on assassinations we have to say 'no comment' because it is before a congressional committee."

Snyder said the man "indicates further in the letter that after he retired he contacted who he says is James Earl Ray's attorney. ..."

Ray is serving 99 years in prison for the assassination of the civil rights leader slain in Memphis, Tenn., in 1968.

Sunday March 20, 1977 'East side rapist' suspected again

A 16-year-old Rancho Cordova girl was raped Friday night when she returned home from a part-time job. Detectives said there "are enough similarities to believe it is the so-called east area rapist."

According to officers, the girl returned home from work about 10:45 p.m. Her family was away, and she planned to stay overnight at the home of a friend.

However, she was assaulted by a man wielding an ax he apparently took from the house. Detectives said there was no way of knowing if the man was interrupted committing a burglary or was waiting for the girl.

The girl's friend became worried when she did not come over at the appointed time, detectives said, and called the home several times. When no one answered, she went over to the house.

The man fled when he heard the girl knocking at the front door at about 11:40 p.m.

Personal safety clinic Monday

A personal safety workshop focusing on rape will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Monday at Cowan School, 3350 Becerra Way, off Whitney Avenue.

Kit Mahoney of the Rape Crisis Center will explain precautions that can be taken in the home and provide training in self-defense against rape.

The center requests a \$3 donation for the workshop. For information and reservations, call Paula Dumm, 482-6016, or Mrs. Clifford at the school, 484-2579.

The Sacramento Union Second Class Mail Privileges

Authorized at Sacramento, California. Address 301 Capitol Mall. Subscription rates by mail, per month, payable in advance. Within California, daily and Sunday, \$7; daily only, \$6.50; Weekender only, \$4; outside California, daily and Sunday, \$7.50; daily only, \$7; Weekender only, \$4.50; overseas military, \$4. Foreign, Daily and Sunday \$10.50.

\$18.50
ANY 2 ROOMS AND HALL
Offer expires 3-25-77

Health facility probe Califano denies 'in'

WASHINGTON (AP) — HEW Secretary Joseph A. Califano Jr. denied Saturday that he had sought to "impede or stop" a federal investigation of alleged fraud involving a California health facility.

Califano said misunderstandings of some of his statements by the Department of Health Education and Welfare's then-top investigator had erroneously led the investigator to conclude that Califano had ordered that investigations be cleared with the department's general counsel.

The secretary also said misunderstandings had led the investigator, John J. Walsh, to conclude incorrectly that Califano had said he didn't want HEW personnel "investigating a bunch of innocent people," as Walsh put it.

Walsh's claims were made in an affidavit he filed last week with the Senate Finance Committee. Because of the charges, the committee has delayed a vote on whether to recommend Senate confirmation of Hale Champion as HEW undersecretary, the No. 2 post. Sen. Herman E. Talmadge, D-Ga., who

requested the delay, has said he wants to examine Champion's prior testimony about Walsh's resignation.

Champion had denied that Walsh had been asked to clear his work with the general counsel's office but said he only was asked to keep that office informed of his work.

At the center of the dispute are congressional and HEW probes of alleged fraud involving Home Health and Homemaker Service Agencies based in San Jose, Calif. That firm provides health care to aged and poor persons with funds coming from Medicaid and Medicaid under HEW.

At a meeting with Califano and Champion on Feb. 4, Walsh described his investigation in the case

and said subject hearings. Accord affidavit. "hencefor these through t sel's offi reason w: want H 'investiga innocent In his day, Calif a result Walsh sus tigation case beca fano said standing, misunde discovered, and h resume immedia said. Califano

TONIGHT 9:00

