

WHITEWATER

Mrs. Clinton more active in final days of land transaction

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton sold Whitewater property and received payment checks from lot owners, according to newly released documents that portray the first lady as having a more active role in the land venture's final years.

The papers also include notations showing that companies owned by President and Mrs. Clinton's Whitewater partners loaned tens of thousands of dollars to the real estate venture.

The documents, released Tuesday, included Whitewater Development Corp.'s balance sheets, bank statements and tax returns. James McDougal, the Clintons' former partner, sold copies of the documents to reporters about a week after he received them from the White House.

They show that in the early years, McDougal ran the land venture designed to be a vacation and retirement community along the White River in Arkansas' Ozark Mountains.

But Mrs. Clinton "by default took necessary steps to wrap up and wind down the company's affairs" when McDougal was debilitated by a stroke and depression in the late

1980s, David Kendall, the Clintons' personal attorney, said Tuesday in Washington.

One document listed Mrs. Clinton as having sold \$16,500 worth of property in the 230-acre development in March 1990. Others showed Whitewater lot owners made some monthly payments in 1989 and 1990 with checks made in care of Mrs. Clinton.

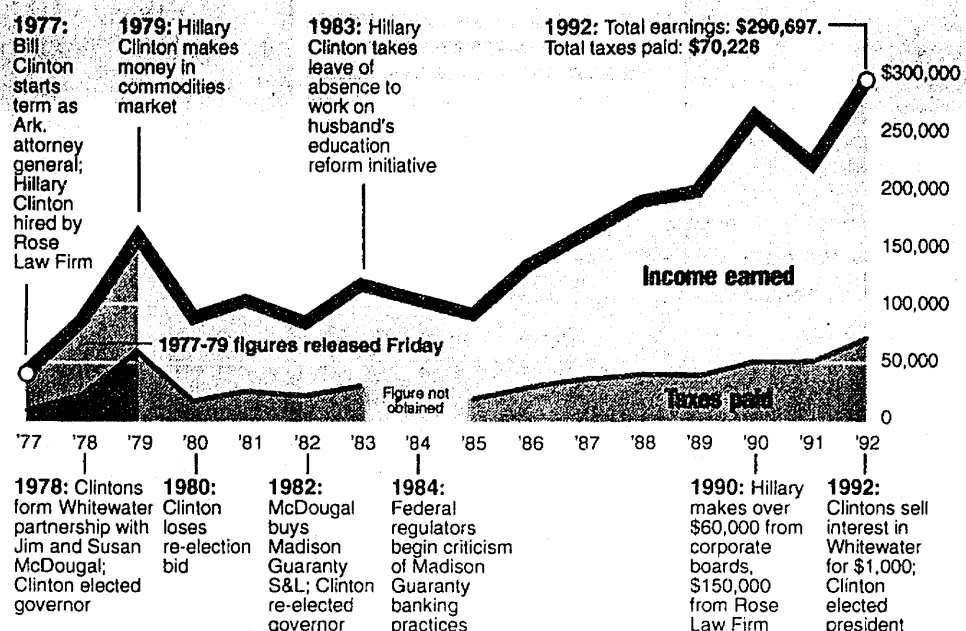
Also, three years worth of Whitewater tax returns — belatedly prepared in 1990 by the Clintons' personal accountant — listed the company's mailing address as the Rose Law Firm, where Mrs. Clinton was a partner. Those returns were prepared June 1, 1990, by Yoly Redden.

Among money put into Whitewater by companies owned by McDougal or by McDougal and his former wife, Susan, were 14 loans from the McDougals' Great Southern Land Co. between 1980 and 1984. In 1984, a balance sheet shows Whitewater still owed that company \$35,365. Another McDougal company, Flowerwood Farms, made six loans to Whitewater between 1980 and 1985, and was still owed \$40,385 in 1985, according to one worksheet.

Clinton also made a \$2,900 loan to Whitewater in 1979, and still was owed \$2,400 in

What the Clintons have earned, paid in taxes

Here is the adjusted gross income and taxes paid by President and Mrs. Clinton from 1977, two years after their marriage, through 1992:



1980, according to the same document.

The papers released Tuesday, however, do not include bank statements showing loans Whitewater obtained from Union National Bank of Little Rock, nor details of accounts at the Bank of Cherry Valley, Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan or Madison Bank and Trust.

Madison Guaranty was a thrift owned by McDougal. It eventually failed in 1989 at a

cost of taxpayers of at least \$47 million. He also was a part owner of Madison Bank and Trust.

Also missing are some monthly statements, including those from the entire year of 1985, from Citizens Bank of Flippin, where the partners borrowed \$182,000, the bulk of the \$203,000 initially invested in Whitewater.

Whitewater special prosecutor Robert Fiske is investigating whether money from Madi-

son was improperly diverted in the mid-1980s to aid Whitewater or to pay the political and personal debts of prominent Arkansans, including then Gov. Clinton.

The Clintons' explanation of their involvement in Whitewater has evolved over the past two years. During the 1992 presidential race, Clinton's campaign portrayed the Clintons as "passive investors" with no role in the company's day-to-day affairs.

suggested just the opposite.

After 10 years of study, it turns out that beta carotene might actually cause cancer.

Beta carotene is the vegetable source of vitamin A. Dozens of studies have suggested that people who get lots of it lower their risk of cancer. Beta carotene and other so-called antioxidants are widely touted as natural cancer fighters.

So scientists felt confident when they launched a \$43 million study on smokers that they would find in the end that beta carotene pills helped them ward off lung cancer.

Instead, to their complete amazement, they found that people who got the beta carotene were 18 percent more likely to have lung cancer than those who did not take the vitamin.

The study was so large, involving 29,133 men, that there was just one chance in 100 that the finding was a statistical fluke. Still, some scientists, including the researchers themselves, said this might indeed be the explanation.

"We are not convinced there was definitely a harmful effect," said Dr. Demetrius Albanes of the National Cancer Institute, a principal researcher. "There is a suggestion of it. We definitely have to look at it more."

The evidence in favor of beta carotene came from large population surveys of people's eating habits. But until now, there had been no carefully conducted experiment in a Western country to see what really happens when people begin using it in large doses.

"The message to the public is: Eat a good balanced diet, be pleased that scientists are working on these complex cancer prevention strategies, but be forewarned that there are no simple answers and there is no guarantee of safety when you take capsules into your body," said Dr. Gilbert Omenn, dean of public health at the University of Washington.

The study was conducted in Finland in conjunction with that country's National Public Health Institute.

FARMLAND FOR SALE BY U.S. GOVERNMENT

The USDA acting through the Farmers Home Administration is offering for sale the following property:

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The sale process will begin on April 15th 1994 at 10:00 am at the St. Albans County office, located at the USDA Service Center at the crossroads of Rt. 104 and Rt. 36, St. Albans, VT. All interested parties are invited to attend. Bids will be accepted until Friday, April 22nd 1994 until 12:00 pm.

Attendance at the meeting is not required to bid on the property. There is no limit to the number of bids an individual may submit.

There is no required minimum bid, however FmHA. Cash bids will receive preference in an effort to conclude the sale as quickly as possible. All bids must include a 10% deposit in the form of a cashier's check, certified check postal or bank money order or bank draft payable to FmHA. No bid will be accepted that states it will exceed the highest bid by a specified amount.

Contact the County Supervisor at (802) 524-6503 or P.O. Box 192 St. Albans, VT 05478 for a bid package and or more information.

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Newspaper: Cobain's Rome overdose a suicide attempt

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kurt Cobain's near-fatal overdose on sedatives and champagne last month in Rome was no accident, the Los Angeles Times said.

The newspaper reported Tuesday that it was a suicide attempt, with a note. Citing unidentified sources, the Times said the 27-year-old grunge rock star swallowed 60 pills. The contents of the note were not available, it said.

At the time, the rock star's friends and record company had said it was an accident.

The lead singer and guitarist of the grunge rock band Nirvana was found dead Friday at his Seattle home of a self-inflicted shotgun blast to the head.

Cobain went into a coma for nearly 24 hours after the Rome overdose. His record company, David Geffen Co., said he inadvertently overdosed on prescription medication and alcohol while suffering from the flu and fatigue.

The Times said the overdose spurred Cobain's wife, singer Courtney Love, his bandmates and others who worked with him to try to persuade him to get treatment for drug use and depression. But Cobain resisted.

"It was a classic case of denial," the Times quoted a source as saying. "Classic and terribly, terribly sad."



National Journal

from Associated Press wire reports

Running Holocaust ad in school paper may cost \$2M

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — A wealthy benefactor threatened to withdraw his \$2 million donation to the University of Miami after the school newspaper ran an advertisement questioning the Holocaust.

About 400 students tore up copies of Tuesday's paper at a campus protest, and Jewish leaders in Miami criticized University President Edward "Ted" Foote for allowing the ad to appear in The Miami Hurricane.

Foote said the free speech rights of the student editors outweighed his reservations about the ad.

At a university, "if we err, we should err on the side of freedom of

thought," he said. "It's a bad decision," said eyewear tycoon Sanford Ziff, who had planned to give \$2 million to an art gallery and a cancer research center at the school.

"The donation is on hold and whether or not it will ever happen is in question. There would have to be a reconsideration, an apology. Tad Foote should reconsider his priorities."

The ad was placed by California writer Bradley R. Smith under the headline "A Revisionist Challenge to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum." It contends the museum in Washington

offers no proof of genocide through the use of gas chambers.

The ad has run in about 25 student newspapers at colleges around the country. Many other student papers have rejected the ad.

Julio Fernandez, the Hurricane's business manager, said, "A responsible newspaper lets the readers know the different points of view. Now they know there are people like Mr. Smith out there."

Study of vitamin benefits yields some hints of harm

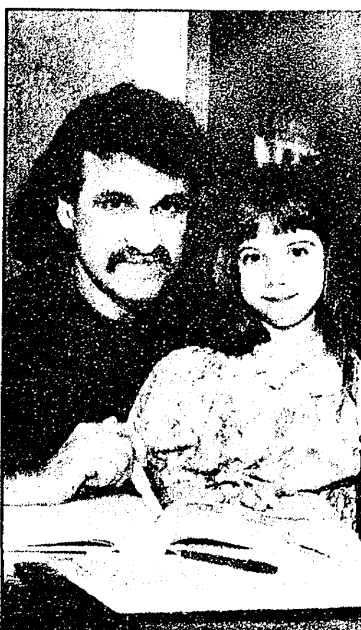
BOSTON (AP) — Scientists who launched a major study to prove that a form of vitamin A prevents cancer were amazed when their findings

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