

Release of anarchist demanded

Dutch tycoon kidnaped by West German faction

AMSTERDAM. The Netherlands (AP) Kidnapers seized a Dutch-Jewish multimillionaire Friday and the West German Red Army Faction claimed responsibility. A telephone caller demanded release of a jailed German anarchist and abdication of Queen Juliana, apparently as ransom for the tycoon's freedom



Maurits Caransa

The abductors struck as police throughout Europe hunted 16 Red Army Faction anarchists wanted in West Germany for the slayings of its federal prosecutor, a kidnaped industrialist and a banker.

Witnesses said about five persons overpowered Maurits Caransa, 61, as he left downtown Amsterdam's Continental Club at 1:15 a.m. after a bridge game. They drove him away in a red car, leaving his briefcase on the sidewalk near his chauffeur-driven Rolls-Royce.

Nine hours later, a German-speaking caller told the Amsterdam newspaper Het Parool: "We are the Red Army Faction. We have Caransa. You will hear from us."

A Dutch-speaking caller told another Amsterdam paper, Telegraaf, the abductors were demanding the queen's abdication and release of Knut Folkerts, 25, a Red Army Faction member detained for the slaying of a Dutch policeman in Utrecht on Sept. 22.

Folkerts is wanted in Ger-

many on charges of taking part in the April slaying of prosecutor Siegfried Buback and the July killing of banker Juergen Ponto. He is also sought for questioning in the Sept. 5 abduction of industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, who was found dead last week.

Dutch police have been searching for several other German terrorists believed to be in Holland. Police in Sweden said acquaintances of Ponto reported seeing one of his alleged slayers, Susan Albrecht, in Stockholm on Thursday night.

Caransa owns a chain of hotels and other real estate valued at more than \$40 million. He was born in Amsterdam of a poor Jewish family of Portuguese descent and made his fortune selling army surplus equipment after World War II.

His parents and both brothers perished in Nazi concentration camps, and he was held by the Nazis in Holland for 13 weeks. Friends say he donates regularly to Jewish organizations.