

Senate funds contras after close vote

From Associated Press reports
WASHINGTON The Senate voted Wednesday to release a \$40 million aid installment for Nicaragua's contra rebels, but many senators said future aid requests may be in serious trouble.
 The vote was 52 to 48 against a resolution to stop the aid.
 Thirty-eight Republicans were joined by 14 Democrats in voting against the disapproval resolution. Forty Democrats and eight Republicans voted to cut off the aid.
 At the White House, presidential

spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said of the aid vote, "We are pleased that they voted with us. We think it is a responsible vote in terms of their previous commitment to the contras, and we hope it is a foundation on which to build support for future contra funding."
 However, Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., who had forecast the results, said, "This vote is not a victory for the administration course of action in Central America. It is an alarm bell. It says the American people have grave reservations about the administration's

policies."
 The administration has won a temporary reprieve, he said, "by virtue of a deeply divided Senate."
 Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas, who also had predicted the rejection of the disapproval resolution, said immediately before the vote that it was clear the administration had done a poor job in selling its contra policy.
 Aid opponents had said all along that the \$40 million in military assistance, which was the last payment on \$100 million in aid approved last year, would eventually go

forward — even if Congress voted to halt it — because the votes could not be found to override a presidential veto.
 Looming in the months ahead are further congressional battles over contra aid centering on Reagan's request for an additional \$105 million for the 1988 fiscal year, which begins Oct. 1.
 Because only simple majorities in both houses are needed to reject that request, it has become the principal target of lawmakers trying to end the contra aid program.

Former White House aide indicted on perjury charge

From Associated Press reports
WASHINGTON — Michael Deaver, the former aide to President Reagan who left his White House job to become a lobbyist, was indicted for perjury Wednesday.
 Deaver, the first person ever indicted under a Watergate-inspired law authorizing independent investigations of top government officials, was charged with lying to Congress and to the federal grand jury that indicted him.
 The 18-page indictment charges the former White House deputy chief of staff with five counts of perjury.

News in Brief

Students stand against nuclear testing

By LAURIE DUNCAN
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UNC Students Taking Action For Nuclear Disarmament group will meet with legislators in Washington, D.C. on April 2 to support a bill that would cut funds for nuclear testing, STAND co-chairman John Church said.
 A vote on the bill in the U.S. House of Representatives will probably be in early April, so students' lobbying efforts could make a difference among undecided legislators, officials said.
 STAND, a Campus Y organization, will participate in the fourth annual Lobby Day, sponsored by the United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War, a network of 73 campus chapters and individual student and faculty members on hundreds of campuses.

The UNC group is recruiting students for the Washington trip, where they will meet with N.C. legislators to show state support for a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty that includes a ban on underground testing, Church said.
 STAND co-chairwoman Ginger Clough said, "By showing our support, we hope (to) show that we're not apathetic, that we realize we have a voice and that they'll listen to us."
 Tom Lawton, press secretary to Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., said he expected the legislators would pay attention to the lobbying.
 "Whenever students can put together a formidable, persuasive case, they will get listened to," he said.
 But because the Soviets have a

record of breaking treaties with the United States, arguing for a nuclear test ban is a bad idea since a treaty wouldn't mean much, said Jim Wooten, vice chairman of the UNC College Republicans.
 "It would tie the president's hands in Geneva," he said, referring to Reagan's upcoming arms control summit with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev. "The Soviets would feel like they don't have to come to a real agreement."
 The proposed test ban treaty, introduced by Reps. Patricia Schroeder, D-Co., and Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., is not considered a direct treaty, said Andrea Camp, Schroeder's press secretary.
 The proposal that relates to nuclear testing is included in a supplemental appropriations bill

and asks that no money be spent on nuclear testing, Camp said.
 James Leutze, chairman of UNC's Peace, War and Defense curriculum and a professor of political science, said the proposal could be a way to cut nuclear testing "by the back door," since it was included in an appropriations bill instead of a treaty.
 Leutze said students would increase the importance of the nuclear testing issue by lobbying legislators.
 "The more public opinion expressed, the more important it becomes," he said.
 Lobby Day will be followed by a Leadership Development Program on April 3, said Rosanna Landis, spokeswoman for United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War.

Spearman to be remembered

Sen. Terry Sanford, D-N.C., New York Times associate editor Tom Wicker and Washington Post columnist Ed Yoder will speak at 3 p.m. in Hill Hall today at a memorial service for UNC professor emeritus of journalism Walter Spearman.
 Spearman, who taught more than 5,000 students during his 45-year teaching career at UNC, died Feb. 24 at age 79.
 Betsy Friday, an actress who performed with Spearman at UNC last semester in Playmaker Repertory Company's "Look Homeward, Angel," Chapel Hill Mayor Jim Wallace and UNC law student Jim Slaughter, chairman of the Daily Tar Heel board of directors, will also speak at the service.
 Members of the Spearman family will greet visitors at a reception at the Chi Psi fraternity house on West Cameron Avenue following the service. Spearman served as an adviser to the fraternity for 30 years.

New process aids in birth defect detection

By NICKI WEISENSE
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 A new procedure to detect genetic birth defects in unborn babies is now being practiced at N.C. Memorial Hospital.
 The procedure, chorionic villus sampling, allows doctors to detect genetic birth defects six to nine weeks earlier than amniocentesis, another procedure which serves the same purpose.
 "In terms of popularity, patients like CVS better both because it doesn't hurt and because the answer you get is much quicker and much better (than with amniocentesis)," said Dr. Vern Katz, one of two physicians at NCMH who is authorized to perform CVS.
 Doctors used the procedure on a patient planning a full-term pregnancy for the first time in late January, although the CVS has existed for 10 years.

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 For three years, NCMH has been testing women who do not plan to continue their pregnancy, said Patricia Magyari, a genetic counselor at NCMH.
 Magyari said NCMH did not use the procedure earlier because of strict equipment regulation by the government.
 "Only people involved in the study by the government are allowed to use it, so we just got equipment," she said.
 CVS can be performed during the first trimester of pregnancy, while amniocentesis cannot be performed until the second trimester.
 Duke-University Medical Center is the only other hospital in North Carolina to use CVS, but only centers worldwide use it, Magyari said.

The Food and Drug Administration still regulates the procedure and is in the process of doing a clinical trial, she said.
 During CVS, doctors locate the placenta with ultrasound, then go through the cervical opening with a small plastic tube and take a small sample of the placenta. Preliminary results, which are 98 percent accurate, are available within 48 hours. The final results come in two to three weeks.
 In amniocentesis, doctors insert a needle through the abdominal wall and take a sample of amniotic fluid from the placenta. Results are not available for three weeks.
 The cost of both CVS and amniocentesis is \$300.
 If the parents have a history of genetic birth defects in the family and can't afford the \$300 fee, there are agencies which will help finance the procedure, Katz said.

"The March of Dimes and a lot of agencies with the government help pay for this for poor families," Katz said. "Let me put it this way, we've never turned anyone down."
 For women who are 35 years or older when they deliver, amniocentesis is recommended, Katz said.
 "CVS is better for a woman who has a significant change of a chromosomal abnormality and therefore would want to know sooner (about her baby)," Katz said. "I think each procedure has different benefits and it depends on the patient and what is best for them."
 The risks in CVS and amniocentesis are a miscarriage or an infection which could result in loss of pregnancy, but the chances of that happening are very slight, Magyari said.
 There is a 0.5 percent risk for amniocentesis and a 2 percent risk for CVS, she said.

Commercial

public for commercial uses," she said.
 Donald Boulton, vice chancellor and dean of student affairs, said that the University does not allow campus buildings to be used commercially because the campus exists for educational purposes.
 "I've never allowed anyone to use our buildings for commercial purposes," he said. "Even though the campus is state property, it's for a specific use."
 Ehringhaus said she has not been able to find any record of permission being granted for a Roses commercial. In the past, she said, when she received requests to film commercials on campus she has denied permission.
 "It's possible that a mistake was made, and permission to film the commercial in 1983 might somehow have been granted, Ehringhaus said. "If somebody authorized (use of Carmichael), I'll look into the facts," she said.
 The ad agency which handled the commercial was Dusenbury and Alden, which has since merged with a firm in Atlanta, Blankinship said.
 B.B. Davison, who produced the commercial, refused to comment when contacted Wednesday.
 Miller said the athletic department would guard against people using Carmichael for commercial uses in the future.

Holiday

have a paid holiday.
 "I would much rather see Thomas Jefferson, the father of democracy, get a federal holiday."
 The most vocal opposition to the bill came from state employees who do not want to lose any of their days off.
 Other opponents said there were several great Americans, in national as well as state history, who deserve the observance of a holiday in their honor but do not get that recognition.
 Associated Press contributed to this story.

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campus lobbying organization) had just made a trip a few weeks ago primarily for that purpose," Bailey said.
 Bailey said he and Hassel talked with congressmen from their districts in order to get their views on the student aid subject.
 "Although we didn't talk to that many congressmen, they definitely know we were up there," Bailey said.
 Jeff Smiley, president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation, also attended the conference but was not available for comment.



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