

Opinions

Letters To The Editor

Congressional road is paved with gold

Dear editor:
Congressmen are always being accused of voting in favor of what's good for right now, with no regard for what's going to happen down the road.

I have discovered some evidence that this is not always true.

Congressmen, when it comes to Congressmen, have looked far down the road and made sure it's paved all the way.

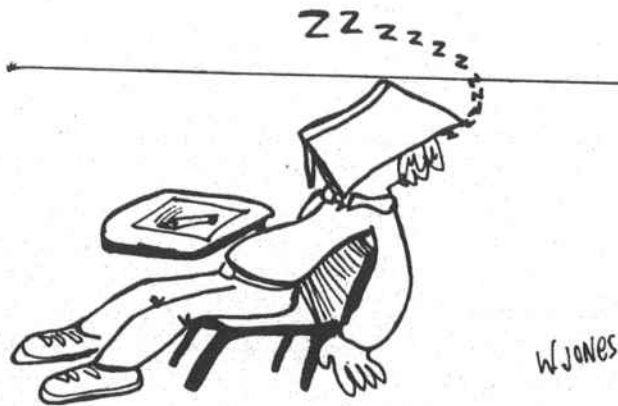
There are now about 900 living former members of Congress, and they are rather well provided for. In many cases, according to a study made by the National Taxpayers Union, their yearly Congressional pensions are far greater than the yearly salaries they got while they were in office.

When it's remembered that those handsome pensions were voted by the Congressmen themselves, you have to discard the notion that Congressmen don't look far down the road.

And when you stop to think Congressmen out of office are costing us more than they did when they were in office, you have to scratch your head and wonder if it's financially wise to ever vote against any of them.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

Summer's over



I guess Ole Fred hasn't heard about the CAT program.

Women trying harder than men

Today's woman thinks she tries harder and is more successful than the average man in her efforts to improve her health.

That's what a two-year attitude study of the health habits of more than 5,000 men and women found.

Maurice Mittelmark, assistant professor of epidemiology at the University of Minnesota, who conducted the study, said he believes the women's perception represents "reality."

For example, more than half the women who considered themselves overweight said they changed their diets and were eating less.

For about one in three overweight men said he had done the same.

"My conclusion," Mittelmark told the Health Insurance Association of America, "is that women are trying harder than men; whether or not they are successful, we simply do not know."

PRODUCTION ROSE... Industrial production rose in July, indicating that manufacturers are continuing to boost rapidly despite signs of slower consumer-spending growth. Separately business inventories in June increased less than .01% after rising .09% in May.

COLLEGE COST... Will rise an average of 6% say the College Board, a not for profit educational association in New York. Average total expenses for resident students, it says \$4,881 at four year public colleges, and \$9,622 at four year private ones.

HONDAS... Hondas of Japan begin producing some of its lawnmowers in North Carolina ... In Minneapolis, marketers use sidewalk musicians to attract attention to Symphony-brand software.

DID YOU KNOW?.. Banks in many communities we read, are selling gold and silver U.S. Olympic coins. These 800 fine gold and silver coins are being minted by the U.S. Treasury to commemorate and help finance the present and future U.S. Olympic effort.

Three coins--the 1983 and 1984 silver dollar and the 1984 \$10 Olympic Gold Eagle--are being

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People and Issues

struck. The 90% fine silver dollar is the first to be issued by the U.S. Mint since 1935. The gold coin is the first to be issued by the U.S. Mint in more than 50 years. The Gold Eagles, which are being struck at the West Point Bullion Depository are the first coins ever to bear the "W" mint mark.

These precious metal coins are a must for coin collectors and are a great gift item for all occasions.

The prices are \$32 for a single '83 or '84 dollar; \$64 for a two silver coin set; \$352 for a single '84 gold coin and \$416 for a three coin set. You may also purchase coins by writing to The U.S. Mint Olympic Coin Program, PO Box 6766, San Francisco, CA 94101 or calling 1-800-USA-MINT.

ONE TIME ONLY... The only time in United States History that the President and Vice President were members of different political parties occurred when Thomas Jefferson, a Republican, became Vice President under John Adams, a Federalist, in 1797.

NEW CAR SEASON ... September was the beginning of the New Car season in the United States, a unique event which occurs only in this country. Hundreds of millions are still spent by U.S. Manufacturers in the annual advertising of new cars. John Q. Public is told this is the best model yet.

FLIGHT DELAYS... The Federal Aviation Administration has come under heavy criticism in recent weeks and months for long delays travelers are experiencing at major air terminals.

Americans traveling by air should wise up. They should depart from and return to a city other than New York. This should help everyone, including north-easterners, so we read.



Letters Policy

Letters to the editor are encouraged and welcomed. Writers should keep letters as short as possible. Names, addresses and telephone numbers should be included and all letters must be signed. Names will be printed, however, other information will be kept confidential. We reserve the right to edit letters for good taste and brevity. Letters should be received by *The News-Journal* by noon on the Monday of the publication week.

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