Kelly's gifts may bring reprimand

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An FBI spokesman said Kelley is "absolutely not" considering resigning. The director believes it was proper for him to accept the gifts and he has no present plans to return any of them or make restitution for them, the spokesman said in response to questions.

In a statement issued Tuesday, Kelley had said he was "prepared to make restitu-tion for any of such gifts which are not clearly permitted" by federal law.

Kelley's gifts have become an issue in the department investigation of financial misconduct and abuses of power within the FBI. Kelley said he voluntarily told department investigators about the gifts and about personal services performed for him by FBI personnel.

Department sources said the official heading the investigation, John Dowd, told Levi that Kelley should be fired for accept-

ing the gifts.
But Michael Shaheen, the department of counsel on professional responsibility and Dowd's supervisor, disagreed and instead proposed that Levi publicly reprimand Kelley, the sources said.

Levi said reports about those recommendations were not entirely accurate, but he declined to elaborate.

White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen said Ford "has complete faith in the FBI director.

And, Levi said, "I think Kelley has been doing an excellent job." But the attorney general declined to say whether his confi-dence in Kelley was diminished when he

learned of the gifts.
A reporter told Levi his praise of Kelley could be construed to mean he was not considering the FBI director to resign. "I don't think you should conclude anything,'

Levi responded. Asked whether he thinks Kelley should have refused the gifts, Levi replied, "Well, I think you have to know more about it." He said he received staff reports on the situation Monday, but sent them to Deputy Atty. Gen. Harold R. Tyler before reviewing them himself.

Department sources said the gifts include a \$200 walnut table, a \$250 clock, a \$250 easy chair and a handmade teak and mahogany jewelry box. All were Christmas or anniversary gifts to Kelley from the FBI's executive conference of senior offi-

Federal regulations permit government employes to make voluntary gifts of nominal value to their bosses on special occa-

sions.
"The question is what is 'nominal,' " an FBI official said. "All these gifts were given by 17 people, and nobody put in more than He suggested that department sources inflated the value of the gifts, possibly by using retail prices, while FBI officials bought the items wholesale. The clock, he said, cost \$98 instead of \$250.

Opponent calls U.S. 'arms pusher'

House to fight military aid

within 30 days of formal notification.

Aug. 2 said U.S. arms sales to Iran

have been chaotic and are "not yet

fully under control." Noting that

about 1,500 Defense Department

personnel are assigned in Iran, the report said that in the event of a clash

in the area "the United States per-

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Proxmire, vowing a floor fight,

said, "Iran and Saudi Arabia are ma-

neuvering for military dominance in

He objected also that the

Mavericks and Sidewinders ticketed for Saudi Arabia could be turned against Israel. He said that arming

Pakistan, which is to receive \$80 mil-

and around the Arabian Gulf.

A Senate staff study published

WASHINGTON — The Ford administration's \$5.9-billion arms package, the bulk of which would go to Iran, faces roadblocks in Congress based on fear of an uncontrollable arms race in the Persian Gulf and

concern for Israel's security.

Calling the United States the would-be "arms pusher of the century," Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., has pledged to introduce resolutions to block most, if not all, of the projected sales to 10 countries before Congress adjourns on Oct. 2.

Sources said that other senators and a group of House members following the lead of Rep. Benjamin Rosenthal, D-N.Y., are prepared to whittle away at the Saudi Arabia

In an 11th-hour concession, the Ford administration trimmed its Saudi request to 850 Sidewinder and 650 Maverick missiles, but pro-Israel minded congressmen still may hack away at the total.

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Cadets' lawyers try for deal

WASHINGTON — Lawyers for West Point cadets accused in the academy cheating scandal are offering to give authorities evidence of widespread honor code violations if the Army promises that cadets involved will not be subject to automa-

tic expulsion.

The evidence is contained in sworn affidavits from West Point cadets and gives names, places, dates and details of code violations,

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Rose told a House armed services subcommittee yesterday that his offer of evidence does not rule out 'expulsion for those who warrant it" and that the affidavits will show that as many as 700 individuals in classes of 1974 through 1977 have violated the honor code and gone undetected and unpunished.

Meanwhile, Cadet Michael E. Ivy, chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee, acknowledged under questioning by the House panel that he had been brought to Washington the day before his appearance and ordered to the Pentagon where Army officers went over his answers to questions they anticipated he would face at the hearing.

But Ivy said under oath that his

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according to attorney Michael T. answers were not changed by what occurred at the session, which he said lasted from 9:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. But he said Army officers did make "suggestions as to how I could

improve the clarity of my answers. Ivy said he thought expulsion was the correct penalty for those who cheated at West Point, but that there is room for punishment less than expulsion" within the system for minor transgressions.

In another development, Rose complained that West Point superintendent Lt. Gen. Sidney Berry attempted to "undermine the confidence of our cadet clients in their attorneys" at mandatory meetings called for all cadets accused in the

Rose said the cadets were warned to "beware of individuals who are advising you to aid their own-self interest" and the cadets were told they were "being used" by "crusaders" and "reformers."

The scandal broke out when in-structors found similarities in the answers on a take-home electrical engineering problem. Currently, 202 cadets have been accused, and 89 of them have been convicted of violating the honor code.

'Floating' Mexican peso may sink Rio merchants

McALLEN — Rio Grande Valley merchants were to get an inkling today whether they will sink or swim with the "floating" Mexican peso.

Businessmen—left in limbo after yesterday's devaluation of the peso nervously awaited the opening of

Mexican banks this morning. The banks closed their doors yesterday in observance of a national political holiday.

The Mexican government announced yesterday the peso would be allowed to float in the international money market. When U.S. merchants opened

their doors to peso-carrying customers the rate of exchange varied from 16 to 25 pesos per American dollar. Tuesday's standard was 12.5 pesos

McAllen-Hidalgo area across the Rio Grande from Reynosa, Mexico, to five cents in Brownsville, the sister city to Matamoros, Mex.

For a while, the confusion over the value of the peso will cause concern," said W. M. "Buster" Stevenson, president of the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce. "But the lower prices in Mexico that results from the devaluation will attract more U.S. tourists which will help our tourist trade also.

The Brownsville area alone gets "more than \$46 million a year in tourist trade" says Stevenson.

Businessmen from McAllen-Hidalgo area were urged to accept pesos. Andy Paris, one of the spokesmen at a Wednesday meeting in McAllen for retailers, asked mer-The value of the floating peso fluctuated from four cents in the 20-to-1 exchange rate.

Coeds flushed by toilet

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stuff was seeping out of the shower drain," Garza said. She said that she leaped out of the shower imday turning in work orders on the They had also turned in earlier

work orders on the toilet, since it had been backing up and over-flowing every time the toilet on the floor above them was flushed. "The workmen said that they had the damages to their belongings. unclogged the toilet, but they "Right now our clothes and tow "Right now our clothes had lawed

couldn't guarantee that it wouldn't back up again. It sure did," Wilkins

So the girls spent the day wiping, mopping, sponging and disinfect-

ing, with plenty of assistance from the maids and custodians in the dorm. Some first floor Krueger residents had to crawl over the giant mediately, and the girls spent their stuffed animals, bed slats and clothes that were piled high in the hallway during the day, but most of them felt the novelty of the event made up for the inconvenience.

Kristie Johnson, a sophomore from Houston, said that she was told the University would pay for all of

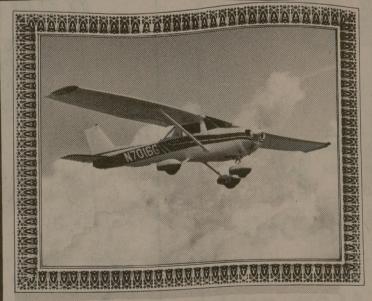
"Right now our clothes and towels that got soaked are at the laundry being cleaned," Johnson said.

But we won't be able to move back in for a couple of days," she added. "The room still smells

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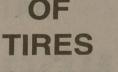


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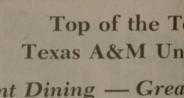
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