

An artist in his own right

ing the plants to digest insects to

compensate for the poor nutri-

tional value they receive from the soil in which they grow, his wife said. She said some varieties

down into the trap to get the nec-

tar, and there are all these little

The plants have no way of

Mike Stevens, a freshman environmental design major from Irving, captures the

Academic Building on paper Tuesday afternoon.

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Milk agreement reached

United Press International WASHINGTON — House

and Senate conferees Tuesday reached agreement on dairy and tobacco legislation that would pay farmers cash to reduce milk output and voted against putting a lid on those cash payments

However, legislators indi-cated they still might attempt to attach a payment ceiling to another piece of legislation.

Rep. James Jeffords, R-Vt., warned that a California dairy farm with 10,000 cows could re-ceive \$4.5 million for not pro-ducing milk under the bill. He said that a few such cases would cause "serious repercussions from the press, from the public and from our brothers and sisters in the House and Senate."

He proposed to put an approximate \$500,000 lid on payments — \$100,000 plus the amount a producer would contribute to financing the program — which would be high enough to include 98 or 99 percent of all dairy farmers.

Since neither the House nor the Senate voted for a payment limitation, adding such a provision would have required special parliamentary consideration. House members of the con-

ference voted down the provision by voice vote and refused to take a roll call vote on the issue that was supported by the Reagan administration.

The measure requires final approval by the House and Senate before it goes to President Reagan for his signature or a veto. It was uncertain if Reagan wouldsign the bill. The House and Senate con-

ferees refused to approve sever-

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al provisions requested by the dist fiscal year. The administration. The administration had supported a straight cut in the dairy price support rather than paying farmers to cut

output. "I don't think we've had very many victories here," Assistant Agriculture Secretary William Lesher said. "We're going to wait and see" whether officials will recommend that Reagan sign or veto the bill.

Patrick Healy, lobbyist for the milk cooperatives who back the legislation, predicted members of Congress will tell the adminis-tration that if Reagan does not sign the bill, there will be no action on dairy legislation until 1985 and dairy problems will continue.

Congressional observers said another factor that might con-vince Reagan to sign the bill is that its tobacco provisions are important to Senate Agriculture Chairman Jesse Helms, R-N.C., who faces a tough re-election

duction that cost taxpayers near-

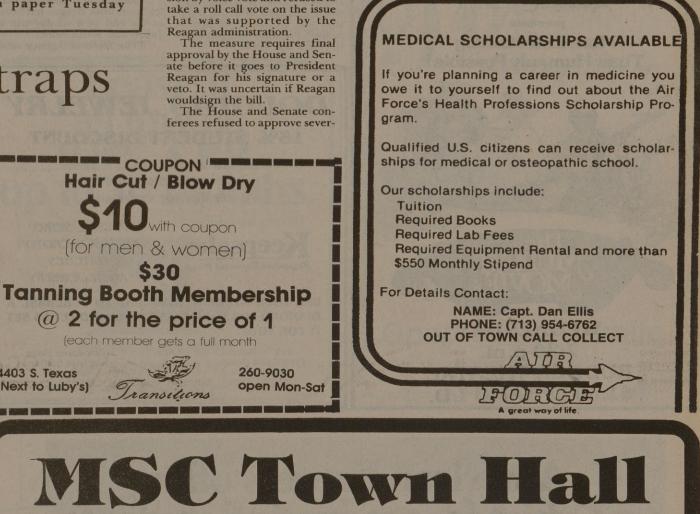
per 100 pounds of milk not produced up to 30 percent of their output. The 15-month program

Initially, it would reduce the price support by 50 cents to \$12.60 per 100 pounds, would assess producers 50 cents per 100 pounds to pay part of the 100 pounds to pay part of the cost of the program and would assess then another 15 cents for a national dairy promotion program

The tobacco provisions of the bill would continue this year's freeze of the tobacco price support for at least another year and would gradually put tobacco allotments owned by absentee owners into the hands of farmers

The legislation also includes provisions to provide emergen-cy feed at reduced costs for livestock producers adversely affected by the drought.

The dairy bill was opposed by battle next year. Regardless of which approach is favored, all sides want to reduce dairy overpro-the state of the state supplies and reducing prices.



Couple raise Venus flytraps

United Press International CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. Patricia Pietropaolo's first date with her husband-to-be set the heme for their 15-year-old marriage — and it hasn't all been bed of roses.

"Our first date was a visit to ree bogs up near Rochester. Talk about romantic," Mrs. Pietopaolo said, at their Canandaigua home adjoining the greenhouse where she and her usband Jim raise carnivorous

The bog trip was Mrs. Pietropaolo's first exposure to the world of Venus flytraps, blad-derworts, cobra lilies and other cious-sounding varieties.

She quickly became an enthuiastic partner in Peter Paul "Pietropaolo" translated from he Italian) Nursery. Pietropaulo began growing uch plants as a hobby 25 years

on

While cartoons and advertise- developed a mechanism enablments often portray carnivorous plants as giant, snapping pre-dators — or "man-eaters" — the Pietropaolos, both of them sci-ence teachers, say that's inaccurate and unfortunate.

grow in acid sand or peat moss. "We even have people calling up to ask exactly how big the traps can get," Mrs. Pietropaolo said, laughing. "You wonder who they have in mind." seeking out prey to "catch," she said. Flies, gnats and other insects are attracted by the plants' scents. "The insect starts crawling

The "mouths" of carnivorous plants do not generally grow much bigger than a ladle. Nor do they "stake out" in-sects or other living things to

attack

paolo said.

hairs that point downward, and when the insect tries to climb And they are not dependent on bugs to survive.

back up again, it can't." As the insect goes deeper into the trap, it begins slipping around on the wax inside. This "For the most part, the plants are green and photosynthetic, triggers the "trap," which seals and they function as other the bug inside. Venus flytraps are perhaps the best known carnivorous variplants do - they produce their own carbohydrates," Pietro-

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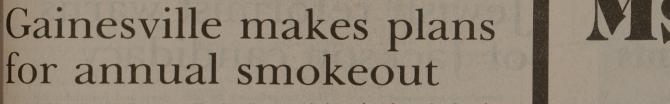
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