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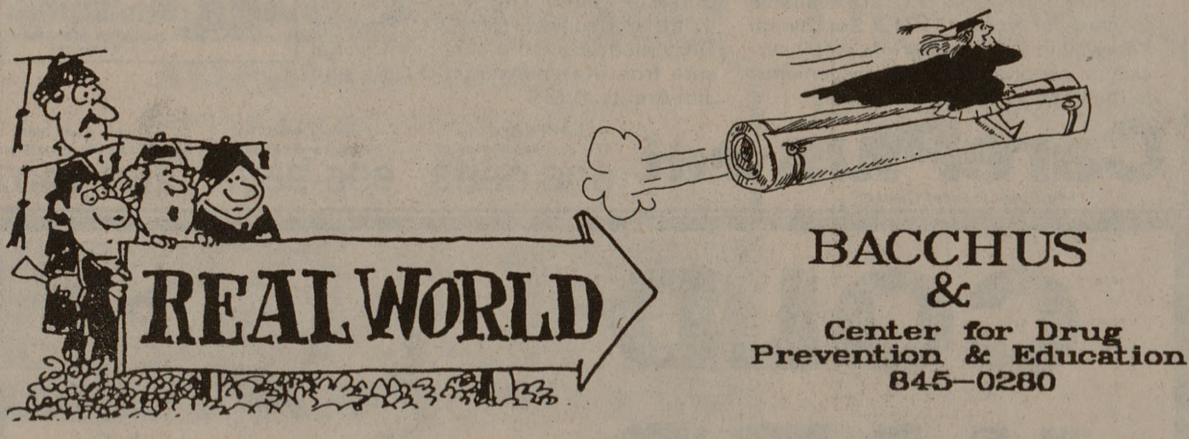
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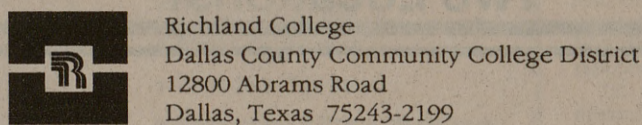
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Study: Factor in saliva prevents AIDS infection

CHICAGO (AP) — Preliminary studies have found that human saliva contains a factor that blocks the AIDS virus from infecting cells, indicating the body may have a natural defense against the deadly disease, researchers said Thursday.

Isolating and understanding the inhibitory element in saliva may help researchers learn how to naturally prevent transmission of the virus, said Philip Fox, head of clinical studies at the National Institute of Dental Research and senior investigator in the study.

"The significance is that it's a demonstration of a natural defense that people have against the AIDS virus," Fox said in a telephone interview from the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md.

A report on the study appears in the May issue of the Chicago-based Journal of the American Dental Association.

The research also provides a biological explanation of why the mouth isn't a transmission route for

the disease, Fox said. That's good news for dentists and others concerned about catching AIDS through contact with the saliva of infected people.

"This supports biologically what we have been seeing epidemiologically," said Irwin Mandel, director of the Center for Clinical Research in Dentistry at Columbia University in New York. "There is essentially no chance of transmission of the virus through saliva."

"Fears about kissing, contact with eating implements and so on could be dispelled by this kind of evidence," said Enid Neidle, an assistant director of the American Dental Association.

Fox and four co-workers collected saliva samples from the mouths of three healthy men and secretions directly from their major salivary glands.

None of the three was at risk for acquired immune deficiency syndrome, which destroys the body's defenses against disease and leaves a

person prey to life-threatening infections and certain cancers.

The samples were mixed with lymphocytes in the saliva secretions from the sublingual and sublingual glands at the back of the mouth, the researchers said.

However in two of the secretions from the parotid salivary gland were infected. Secretions from the parotid gland of the third person were not infected.

The researchers are studying how the inhibitory element but Fox said it may interfere with surface receptors through which white blood cells are infected with AIDS virus.

The researchers are carrying their work to include women and people infected with AIDS, Fox said.

Officials say deadline won't stop illegal aliens

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexicans watched the deadline for amnesty under the new U.S. immigration law pass on Thursday but didn't expect the measure would stop the flow of job-seekers crossing the border.

Carlos Salinas de Gortari, the governing party's candidate in the July 6 presidential elections, said the new law cannot defeat the economic reality that is experienced in the United States, where Mexican workers continue to be needed.

He said extra steps must be taken to make sure workers' human and labor rights are protected on both sides of the border and to increase employment opportunities in Mexico's northern states.

Salinas de Gortari said in a campaign speech Wednesday in Morelos state, southwest of the capital, that some in the United States might try to take advantage of Mexican workers after the law takes effect.

"The concern that I have is that, with the deadline passed, this law might be invoked as a pretext to abuse Mexican migrant workers," he said. "We also must increase effort, vigilance and attention for our countrymen who might return from the United States so that they might not be abused or exploited by Mexican authorities on our territory."

Salinas de Gortari is the candidate of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, which has not lost a presidential race since its inception in 1929. It is almost certain he will defeat five minority candidates and be inaugurated to a six-year term succeeding President Miguel de la Madrid on Dec. 1.

The speech dominated front pages Thursday in local newspapers. The newspapers gave ample attention to developments in the United States, where 107 immigration offices closed their doors to the one-time offer of amnesty for millions of illegal immigrants.

Rosario Ibarra de Piedra, presi-

dential candidate of the tiny Revolutionary Workers Party, said the Mexican government must bear responsibility for workers' need to go to the United States in search of jobs because of difficult economic conditions here.

The minimum daily wage in Mexico is 8,000 pesos, or about \$3.50.

She said the government doesn't defend the undocumented workers and accused the United States of giving dollars to Mexico in exchange for cheap labor.

The government newspaper *El Nacional* said in an editorial that no law alone can solve economic problems of any country.

It said despite the law, the United States still will require the labor, the vigor of Mexican workers who, at extremely convenient prices for American employers, made possible the economic flourishing of that country, along with millions of other immigrants.

Many here see the traffic across the border as part of centuries-old patterns that date back to when the American Southwest belonged to Mexico.

Although some Mexicans have said they returned because of the new law in the United States, no statistical studies have been completed since the start of the period which amnesty began. Fears that the new law would lead to mass deportations of Mexican workers in the United States appear to have abated.

Others believe the impact of the new law will not be fully seen until after June 1, when companies employing illegal aliens could be fined.

Hilda Patricia Neira, a researcher at the Colegio de la Frontera Norte in the border city of Tijuana, said the law likely will fuel a black market in false documents.

Tijuana Mayor Federico Valdes Martinez told reporters there is space available there for any Mexicans who might return, at least on an emergency basis.

Film company plans suit over contract

MIDLAND (AP) — A company that lost its bid to produce the story of Jessica McClintock's rescue to television is suing to court to change a local movie-maker of choice.

A citizens' panel appointed to mediate the dispute recommended April 22 that the Los Angeles-based Interscope Communications Inc. film the story of the toddler's rescue after she was trapped inside an abandoned well for 58 hours.

Producer Larry Spivak, who produced the rival production company Highland Communications Inc. of Van Nuys, Calif., says the company's attorneys are in negotiations in preparation for legal action.

"We have seven law firms involved in reviewing that situation with a recommendation of counsel next week," he said Wednesday. "We'll probably have some announcement in the 10 days."

Highland had negotiated a movie contract with an association of volunteers who participated in the girl's rescue, and Spivak said that contract remains in force.

But that association and other, now-disbanded rescue groups consisting of many employees have agreed to be replaced by the selection of Interscope as the movie's producer.

Jessica, now 2 years old, was rescued from the well last October, and the days-long effort to extricate her drew international attention.

The movie, which was shown on ABC television, has been budgeted for about \$10 million, Ms. Clifford said. The shooting would be done in Midland.

Poland

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the steelwork's pressing department at 2 a.m., only hours after the strike committee, which said it represented 15,000 of the 32,000 employees, was told it would have its first talks in a week with management.

As police came in, they set off percussion grenades, terrorizing the "paralyzed, defenseless and sleeping people," said Krzysztof Kozłowski, a senior Roman Catholic journalist in Krakow.

Most strike committee members were detained immediately. Later, special riot police entered and ordered all strikers to leave.

"The whole thing took place without one bruise," Urban said in a tele-

phone interview. "Nobody suffered any harm or injury."

But Zygmunt Lenyk, of the conservative opposition group Confederation of Independent Poland, said 32 people suffered cuts, eight people were left unconscious and one man had two legs broken.

The state-run news agency PAP said some plant departments resumed work Thursday while others remained idle for maintenance.

But workers emerging from Nowa Huta at Thursday afternoon said some people inside had resumed striking. PAP reported that absenteeism at the plant was 30 percent to 40 percent.

Dorm

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stay," Montgomery said. Miller agreed contract revisions are not possible, but said the rules are creating unexpected conflicts.

"We are not supposed to go out of town during the interim period (between finals and graduation), but one of our RA's parents are coming down and he needs to go pick them up at the airport," Miller said. "He does not yet know how he is going to be able to get them here since he can't leave."

"All of us are required to stay but there will only be one or two people in each wing. For example, I have duty Friday night so I have to watch the five people who are remaining in

my dorm. However, they will all be at graduation."

To ease boredom, the staff council has planned activities to keep the resident advisers occupied. The council has planned a staff appreciation banquet for May 10 and a cookout for May 11, Montgomery said.

"We are trying to make the best of it," he said.

"We are a really close-knit staff and usually do not have time to visit and have fun together. This will allow us the time to see people who we would be too busy to see during the normal check-out time."

Also in the period before graduation, resident advisers will inspect each room in their dormitories thoroughly, which in past semesters

Vandiver

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universities must deal with the future. He said universities are suffering from internal and external pressures.

Among these pressures are the problem of A&M's popularity, with the large number of new students crowding campus resources.

Universities also must attract alumni who wish to provide and adaptation to new conditions.

In his closing remarks, Vandiver made a personal plea for the quality of education, a plea that can be answered, he said, by giving university freedom and maintaining quality of education.

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