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HM, QUEEN LEAVE FOR EUROPE

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar).—Their Majesties the King and Queen left Kabul for Europe this morning for medical checkup and treatment.

HRH Princess Mariam and HRH Princess Khatol are accompanying Their Majesties.

Their Majesties' motorcade, escorted by motorcycles, reached Kabul Airport at 9:45.

Their Majesties bade farewell to those present and His Majesty accepted the salute of a guard of honour before embarking their special plane.

Their Royal Highnesses Prince Ahmad Shah, and Princess Belqis, Prince Mohammad Nader, Prince Mohammad Daoud Pash-toryar, Marshal Shah Wali Khan Ghazi, Princess Lailuna, Sardar Abdul Wali, Mohammad Aziz Naeem, some other members of the royal family, Prime Minister Noor Ahmad Etemadi the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Dr. Abdul Hakim Zia-ye-e, the President of the Wolesi Jir-gah (Lower House) Dr. Abdul Zahir, the President of the Mesh-rano Jirgah (Senate) Sen. Abdul Hadi Dawi, members of the cabinet, the governor of Kabul, and the ambassadors of Italy and the German Federal Republic accom-pained Their Majesties upto the plane.

Members of the parliament, high ranking civil and military officials, and some elders of the city with their wives were also among those who went to the airport to say goodbye to Their Majesties.

The royal plane which will have a night's stopover in Beirut left Kabul at 10:05.

The following are accompanying Their Majesties: The Minister of Court Ali Mohammad, the advisor to the Foreign Ministry Mohammad Musa Shafiq; Her Majesty's special physician Dr. Ghulam Farouq; His Majesty's special aide Sardar Nahmatullah, His Majesty's personal physician Dr. Abdul Fatah Najm, His Majesty's military escort Shamsuddin Barakzai and Mohammad Anwar Nuroz, a member of the protocol department in the Foreign Ministry.

HRH AHMAD SHAH ACTS AS REGENT

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar).—His Royal Highness Prince Ahmad Shah will be regent during His Majesty's trip to Europe in accordance with a royal decree issued, the Royal Secretariate said.

20 Graduates From Communication Centre

By Our Own Reporter
Twenty technicians have graduated from the Kabul Telecommunication Training Centre. This is the first group of telecommunication technicians who received their education in Afghanistan.

The project is undertaken by the government of Afghanistan with the assistance of the United Nations Development Programme and International Telecommunication Union.

The purpose of the project is to train technicians, technical officers and in service personnel for the Communication Ministry.

The project was started in 1965 and is expected to be implemented in five years. The contribution of the Special Fund to this project has been \$ 697,700. Afghanistan has contributed \$ 68,300 and Afs 3,9,652,000 from its development budget towards the financing of the project.

Laboratories, lecture rooms and workshops of the center are equipped with up-to-date equipment. For the ordering of necessary equipment UNDP has offered \$ 200,000 as stated in the operation plan. An additional \$ 100,000 has been added by UNDP for the same purpose.

The Communication Ministry has constructed a three story building for the training center in Kabul. The center is run by Dr. A. Udin. Seven international experts, and a number of Afghan counterparts, teach at this center.

The graduates from this center (Continued on page 4)



His Majesty says goodbye to Sen. Abdul Hadi Dawi, president of the Senate.



Mrs. Gerhard Moltmann, wife of FRG ambassador in Kabul wishes Her Majesty the Queen a good trip.

BOMBING HALT OVER MOST OF N. VIET.

WASHINGTON, April 1, (Reuter).—U.S. President Johnson last night announced he had ordered a halt to American bombing over most of North Vietnam.

The president told the American people in a nationwide television broadcast:

"The area in which we are stopping our attacks includes almost 90 per cent of North Vietnam's population and most of its territory.

"Thus there will be no attacks around the principal populated areas and in the food producing areas of North Vietnam", the president declared.

Johnson said this was "the first step to deescalate the conflict" and said: "Even this limited bombing of the North could come to an early end if our restraint is matched by restraint in Hanoi.

"But I cannot in conscience stop all bombing so long as it does so would immediately and directly endanger the lives of our men and our allies.

"Whether a complete bombing halt becomes possible in the future will be determined by events."

The president said the deescalation was being undertaken unilaterally and at once.

"Tonight, I have ordered our aircraft and naval vessels to make no attacks on North Vietnam except in the area north of the demilitarized zone where the continuing enemy build-up directly threatens allied forward positions and where movements of troops and supplies are clearly related to that threat."

The purpose of the U.S. action was to bring about a reduction in the level of violence that now existed, the president said.

At the same time he called upon Britain and the Soviet Union as co-chairman of the Geneva Conference on Indochina and as permanent members of the United Nations Security Council, to do all they could to move from the unilateral act of de-escalation towards genuine peace.

The president's announcement followed intense rumours that he was considering a major move on Vietnam in this crucial presidential election year.

The peak hour 9 p.m. broadcast, carried live by all the television networks, was announced yesterday.

The President said he had assured the American people on many occasions that "those forces that are required to accomplish our mission there" would be sent to Vietnam.

"With that as our guide," he said, "we have previously authorised a force level of approximately 525,000 men.

"Some weeks ago, however, to help meet the enemy's new offensive, we sent to Vietnam about 11,000 additional Marine and airborne troops. They were deployed by air in 48 hours on an emergency basis.

Artillery, tank, aircraft, medical and other units needed to work with and support these infantry troops in combat did not accompany them.

"In order that these forces may reach maximum combat effectiveness, we should prepare to send— (Continued on page 4)

F-111a Called Multi Million Dollar Blunder

WASHINGTON, April 1, (Reuter).—The loss of a second F-111 fighter-bomber within days of the controversial swing-wing plane starting combat operations in Southeast Asia could boost congressional demands for a renewed investigation into the plane.

Senator John McClellan (Democrat, Arkansas) has already called the F-111 programme a "multi-million dollar blunder" by former Defence Secretary Robert McNamara.

Last Thursday, the Senate Armed Services Committee voted 11 to 2 against any more funds for the navy's version of the all-purpose plane, the F-111.

The F-111, built for the air force, until now has not been criticised as much as the navy version, which experts say is too heavy for aircraft the navy is already looking at possible alternatives.

The second F-111 lost was officially described as having crashed on after an emergency in flight, but its two crewmen were rescued.

There is still no positive word about the first plane, which might have crashed or been shot down, as claimed by the N. Vietnamese.

Its secret devices could be of inestimable value to the communists if they were discovered intact. The plane was reported to have carried no automatic self-destruction equipment except for coding items.

Influential members of Congress, such as Senator McClellan, have been critical of the F-111 ever since McNamara chose it as the new stand-by plane for both the air force and the navy.

The choice of the General Dynamics Company to build the aircraft came under fire, and the increasing cost of production has also displeased the critics.

Bombing Halt Should Be Reciprocated: Home

EASTBOURNE, England, April 1, (Reuter).—Opposition foreign affairs spokesman Sir Alec Douglas Home yesterday proposed a new Vietnam peace formula, involving a halt to American bombing of North Vietnam for one month or more.

The former Conservative Prime Minister at the same time suggested North Vietnam taking advantage of international controls to prevent the pause to build up its re-inforcements in the South.

Sir Alec said he did not share the view of those who wanted the U.S.

School Entrance, Marriage Law Discussed

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar).—First Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of education Dr. Ali Ahmad Popal will appear before the Wolesi Jirgah (Lower House) tomorrow to answer questions of the deputies related to education. He will be accompanied by the rector of the Kabul University.

The Wolesi Jirgah in its general meeting yesterday discussed the entrance examinations and other matters related to education. After the views of a large number of deputies on the subject were heard it was decided that Dr. Popal be requested to attend the general meeting Tuesday.

Dr. Abdul Zahir the president of the house presided.

The draft law on marriage was discussed by the general meeting of the Meshrano Jirgah (Senate) yesterday. Articles 1-10 of the draft law were approved with the exception of article 3.

The 15 chapter, 42 article draft law on marriage has been approved by the Wolesi Jirgah. Senator Abdul Hadi Dawe, the president of the Senate, presided.

French Participation Still Sought In Reserve System

STOCKHOLM, April 1, (Reuter).—France's partners in the "group of ten" hope she will have second thoughts and join in a plan to create new international monetary reserves before it comes into operation.

A ministerial conference of the nations in the group—the world's ten leading non-communist economic powers—Saturday night adopted the plan to create a new "paper gold" in an attempt to lubricate world trade and expand national economies.

France, wanting a much wider reform of the present 25-year-old international monetary structure, refused to agree and abstained on the final vote.

The nine other nations however have left the door open for France to join the "special drawing rights" scheme, which will be administered by the 167-nation international monetary fund.

The plan is expected to come into operation in the spring of 1969. France's partners hope that by then she may have had second thoughts and would join them in the scheme which will supplement the present reserves

UK's SEATO Role May Change, Says Thomson

WELLINGTON, April 1, (Reuter).—Britain yesterday gave notice that its military commitment to the South-East Asia Treaty Organisation would have to change in the light of the proposed withdrawal of its forces from the region.

Britain's minister for Commonwealth Affairs, George Thomson, emphasised the inevitability of this at a news conference, but would not be drawn into details.

Thomson said on his arrival yesterday for the SEATO ministerial session which opens on Tuesday, that there were three-and-a-half years left in which to make new arrangements.

His main task at the SEATO meeting would be to explain Britain's reasons for deciding to pull its armed forces out of South-East Asia by 1971.

Thomson repeated that Britain still meant to stand by SEATO, and eight-nation collective security pact comprising Australia, Britain, France, Pakistan, the Philippines, Thailand and the United States.

He welcomed the chance of putting his country's case before its SEATO partners.

LBJ Will Not Seek Reelection

WASHINGTON, April 1, (Reuter).—President Johnson stunned the nation last night announcing he will not seek reelection next November.

Without any advance warning, he told the American people at the end of a televised address on Vietnam that "I shall not seek and I will not accept the nomination" of the Democratic party for the presidency in the presidential election.

"I should not permit the presidency to become involved in the partisan divisions that are developing in this political year," said Johnson.

The first question put to him by reporters was an obvious one was his decision irrevocable.

"It is just as irrevocable as the statement says completely irrevocable," Johnson said.

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar). A telegram of condolence has been sent by Professor Mohammad Asghar, the chairman of the Afghan Soviet Friendship Society to T. Antonov, the chairman of the Soviet Afghan Friendship Society in Moscow.

Yesterday morning some generals of the Royal Army signed a book of condolence which was opened in the Soviet embassy.

UK Press Launches "Wilson Must Go Movement"

LONDON, April 1, (Reuter). Prime Minister Harold Wilson was spending the weekend at his official country home. Chequers, amid a chorus of demands, headed by the Conservative convention, that he or his government should quit in view of their massive by-election defeats.

Political observers believe Wilson is planning a reshuffle of ministers to revitalise his cabinet.

Such a move was foreshadowed on Friday by one of his chief lieutenants, Richard Crossman, leader of the House of Commons, within a few hours of three by-election losses which showed in average swing of 18 per cent of votes away from the Labour Party. Crossman called for a "mark two" Wilson cabinet to rebuild public confidence in the government.

The non-party newspapers Observer gave cautious support to the "Wilson-must-go movement." "Wilson may have ceased to be able to provide effective leadership of a government, its editorial said, "he and his fellow members of the Labour Party would be wise to be considering a change."

The observer said, Wilson's misjudgments spring from defects of a temperament which is sentimental and optimistic. "The (Continued on page 4)

The Problem Child

On New Year's day a lady visited us apologising for her inability to come on the Eid because of bad weather. Her two little children accompanied her.

This lady being their only bread earner with meagre means could not provide these children always with what they liked to have. Meat was the most desired item often missing in their food. Here when we served them food they ate most heartily, taking big pieces of mutton in every morsal. It was however a pleasure to see that you could give these poor children so much of satisfaction with just a good and hearty meal. But to the dismay of all those present, the younger child who was only 4 years of age, started vomiting as soon as he left the room to go out to play.

Their mother reported that whenever he went visiting he vomited like this after food and this kept him always in a poor health. The child no doubt was lankly looking and undernourished. But this vomiting could be obviously correlated with overeating which this child was always wont to do when he went visiting.

Vomiting in children is much more common than in adults. It may be as a result of some intestinal infection, or it may be of toxic origin because of the ingestion of some poisons; it may indicate some cerebral tumour; or it may be only psychogenic in origin. Vomiting is a frequently associated symptom of any type of physical illness.

Vomiting may take place when the child is apprehensive and anxious. A girl of 7th grade, always get vomiting, when examinations approached. Vomiting may be found in children who are in general of a hypochondriacal nature and tend to evade all difficulties of life by physical complaints. One of the most stubborn causes of vomiting is spite reaction of children to parental dominance and coercion.

When parents are faced with such problem behaviour they ought to take the following measures:

Press On Women:

Islah Discusses Child Health

Thursday's *Islah* in its women's page carried an article entitled "When the Children Should Not Go To School."

If a family has many children and one of them gets an infectious disease, the healthy children should be stopped, temporarily, from going to school, or kindergarten. The writer also advises that the infectious disease is of dangerous form, the suffering child should be confined to bed away from healthy children.

In another article in the same issue entitled "Consult Me" the writer says that on a holiday he visited a friend with whom he had a chat on different social subjects. Among other things, says the writer, his friend complained against people interfering with personal affairs of others resulting in large-scale family disputes.

The writer's friend starts his story as follows: It has been for some time since my wife has been working in an office, and the money she and I make suffices our needs.

However, some of my relatives insist that I should stop my wife from going to work, for, they believe wife should become a house wife and take care of the children and look after house work. The writer attributes this attitude to ignorance and lack of proper education.

The editorial of *Islah* Daily's page is devoted on the advent of spring. More articles on the same issue appear on this page.

The 12th issue of the *Woman's* magazine "Mermon" came out from the press last week.

The magazine carries an illustrated article on the participation of women in volunteer services. The magazine has published a picture showing women volunteers in Kabul distributing clothing and foodstuffs to the women prisoners.

In another picture the magazine features the Afghan Costumes Show held in Kabul during the visit of Mrs. Jovenka Broz, wife of president of Yugoslavia at the women's Institute.

The model in the picture displays a costume of kochis. The Show was also attended by Her Royal Highness Princess Bilquis.

The magazine, marking the advent of spring, devotes one page to poems written about spring. The theme of the poems, written by the contemporary poets of the country, is in praise of spring.

Habitual Vomiting And Food Fads

By Mrs. R.S. Siddiqui
Clinical Psychologist

Some children however get repeated attacks of vomiting accompanied by headache and often nonresponsive to the various groups of anti emetic drugs. These are known as attacks of cyclic vomiting which ceases as dramatically as it started. Very little work has been done on such cases regarding their response to psychotherapy; the psychological way of treatment.

We will discuss the problem of children not taking food, one of the following weeks separately.

Some children who are feeling neglected may introduce vomiting just to attract attention of their parents. In such cases it is parents and not the children who need a change of their general outlook. But if parents find that none of their efforts are bearing fruit they ought to consult a psychologist to get rid of their own inhibitions and complexes which are responsible for bringing about the emetic response from their children.

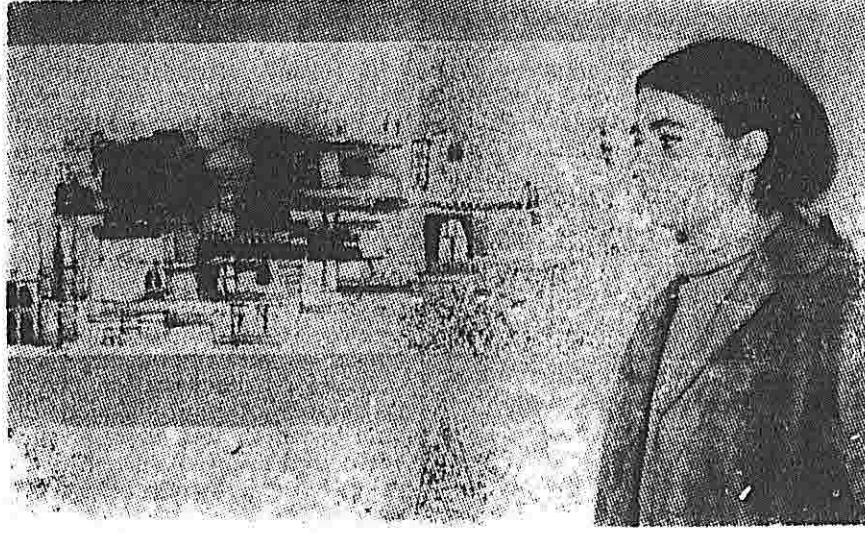
"SHE" AND HER ART EXHIBITION

A most attractive exhibition of paintings was recently on display in the Municipal Hall.

The designer of this exhibition was 22 years old Miss Virginia Jones from Uruguay, (South America). The number of paintings in the exhibition was 27, of which 23 were pen and ink and the rest were wood carvings.

Most of these paintings were black and white and she has already sold some of them.

Virginia Jones studied college in Uruguay and after graduation



Virginia Jones, who exhibited her paintings in the Municipal Hall from March 23 to March 28.

from college she studied Architecture for two years in her native country. After that she wished to continue her studies and for this purpose she went to Chile to study at the Art Institute over there.

She said that she has done all the work displayed in the exhibition in Afghanistan and this is the first painting exhibition that she has ever prepared. She added that all of her paintings were inspired by natural aspects of

Be A Guide To Your Child

By Sonia

The attitude of 'hushing up' as father enters the house is much more harmful now than it was ever before. Children brought up in an atmosphere of awe are likely to be underdeveloped morally when exposed to corrupt company. They are more likely to surrender in ignorance than while in possession of full knowledge.

There are various heart splitting stories of small children who were entangled in crime by adults through their ignorance. Some people have adopted it as their profession to allure small innocent children towards petty crimes which finally leads them to bigger crimes.

A big thief in a reformatory home revealed the secret of his life which was based upon paternal domination and maternal cowardice. He was a small child studying in a school, where he was not pulling on well. Once or twice he played truant and his father beat him blue and black. The third time his servant who use to take him to the school, took him instead to a house where he hid himself and helped the boy to get into the compound and run away with a transistor radio which was lying there, as the occupants went inside, at lunch time.

The child first resisted committing this sin, but was frightened by the servant, who told he will inform his father that he did not go to the school. To protect his own self he got more and more involved with the servant, and after a number of trunancies complaints came from the school, they were received by the mother who in turn mildly scolded the boy and kept the matter hidden from the father of the child for the fear that he should not get beating from him.

In short perfect conditions were provided by the parents and the devil servant to land the boy into bigger crimes. Still later when the father accidentally learnt one tenth of what the boy was doing, he took oath that he will kill him and his mother in order to protect him, helped him to run away from the house. And the result was his becoming a notorious criminal with a police reward of 100,000.

If case histories are taken from all the criminals one would learn that 70 per cent of the criminals are having similar stories. If the father of the boy had

not been so cruel and dominating, the first time the boy stole under pressure from the servant he would have told his father and his father would have thrashed the servant instead of ruining the life of the innocent boy.

When discussing in a friendly way, various problems children might be facing, parents can indirectly come to know of the possible hazards to their children. And timely friendly guidance to their children will save them from hiding painful secrets at the cost of their entire life.

In case of the daughters however the mothers should take the initiative and should serve as experienced friends and guides for their healthy moral growth. To encourage their children to talk freely, parents may sometimes discuss their own problems with their children and seek their advice, which not only will make them more at ease but may also bring an important new way of thinking for the parents.

Women On The Air

Radio Afghanistan last Monday had an interview with ladies from different walks of life one being a house wife, another an office girl and still another a high school student.

In its "Woman and Life" programme Mrs. Sadat Sadiq Amir whose husband died 22 years ago, said her most delightful memory of the past was the marriage of her only son, and her cherished desire for the future was to visit the holy Mecca.

Miss Bershaki Omer an official of the Ministry of Planning recollected happily her reunion with her family on her return from Sydney, where she had gone for an English language course.

There she noticed a strong devotion of the people for the betterment of their country, which made her conscious of her own duties in her own country.

Third interview was of Miss Shakera, 11th grade student of the Zarghuna High School. She expressed her liking for social sciences and told her only desire was to become a writer.

Her happy memory of the past was the time when her first article was published in the newspaper, and she hopes to join the Faculty of Letters after finishing her high school.

But when care is taken to reduce general stimuli increasing their frustrations, their attacks become widely spaced and relatively less severe. So far I have not seen even a single case of cyclic vomiting in Afghanistan, and would very much appreciate if any of the readers inform me if they have come across one such case.

Madam, My Madam

Constellation Of Stars

By Nokta Cheen

Another constellation of the stars shortly? No. I hope not. The occultation, the mystery and the unpredictable phenomena accompanying this constellation, madam, is certain to upset your otherwise peaceful mind, and my balance of payments for the rest of the year.

It was only a few years ago that eight 'important' stars configured and some of the well known eastern astrologers predicted a sudden upsurge of flood from the seas. I distinctly remember that then I was not afraid, contrary to general scare in the society of any such flooding. For one thing, I knew that, my dear madam, the Hindukush mountain was the best protection.

That is one advantage we have in Afghanistan. Landlocked countries, in times of grave threats from a constellation feel much safer from the nations adjacent to high seas.

But after the constellation, which, according to astrologers calculations had occurred after thousands of years, I noticed its disastrous impact not on the general pattern of life or on my physics, but on the balance sheet of the family. Gone with the stars were the financial stability and order which I had attained.

And Madam, my general conclusion from the constellation was that it was sign of a big disaster.

The fear of the next constellation torments me. The last constellation came at a time that, completely new fashions were introduced in the world of women's wear, and changing styles demanded new adoption of several types of fashions.

The micro miniskirts, the mini-skirts, and the maxi-skirts, and a hell of a lot more varieties of dresses, Madam, horrify me to such an extent that this

Psychology Of Fashion

By Firoza

Food like dogs or more appropriately like vultures eating a dead cow, to satisfy our hunger.

Similarly for the satisfaction of our other instincts we would have acquired ways which we now consider beastly. When angry we would have just killed, when afraid we would have fled, and when wanting to carress a young one we would have licked and when wanting to express love might have just attacked. But we are endowed with reasoning along with our funds of instincts. So we act in accordance with the expectations of the society in which we live.

The instinct of love combined with the need to booster our ego image leads one to follow the fashions in vogue. You tell a young lady to go with a dress below her knees, and see the reaction, she might retort, "how can I, people will think she does not know how to dress", although she might even confess the futility of a short dress as it exposes one to cold. Or tell a young man to go in loose pants, he will say, "oh I should make a fool of myself in the eyes of my friends."

Where the need of attracting the opposite sex has ceased the craze for running after the craziest fashions also gets reduced.

time, I and not the astronomers or astrologers, predict a constellation.

When will the next constellation take place, honey, is such a thought that has landed me in the world of fortune tellers and witches. I enjoy your company, but when you ask the secret wishes, whether they will be fulfilled, I get embarrassed. In a way, Madam, you trust your fortune tellers more than you trust me.

I don't mind paying a little more to these money makers who are palm readers and forehead readers rather than true accountants of fortune, to tell you that your wishes will be fulfilled.

But how long should this game of hide and seek with fortune tellers last. I don't really know, honey. The other night I dreamt that some one is presenting you with a book on palmistry and fortune telling and advising you that instead of going to fortune tellers, adopt the 'do it yourself' policy. Am I right?

Recipe

Afghan Nan

Since Afghan bread is very much liked by every visitor to our country, here we give a recipe for trying that out yourself. Take two pounds of whole wheat flour and one pound of extra fine flour. Add a little yeast and salt to taste and knead it into a soft dough. Let it lie for one hour and then take small lumps of dough and form balls. Cover these with slight flour and spread them on a rolling plate. Keep it in the oven for 10 minutes or till it is brown. Spread some sesame seeds on top while rolling. It gives good flavour.

But in some instances it may be sustained where the parties are not satisfied with mere domestic appreciation and seek the attention of the outsiders.

It also depends upon the sector of society with which one identifies oneself. A person who has sufficient food for his ego through high education or some other extraordinary achievement may even laugh upon silly fashions and may not feel obliged to follow them. Because even if somebody point it out, to them that such and such person does not dress properly, he satisfies himself by saying, "Eh! what do they know except doing every stupid fashion, what do I care for their opinion?"

Or a person devoted to some profession may be satisfied with the success he achieves in his work, sufficient food for his ego, and may not be worried to catch up with every new fashion.

Thus it is the starving ego of those who do not have any other source of satisfying it, which leads to the crazy lust for fashion. The stranger and the more defiant the fashion be the more keenly they follow it, because it shows how daring they are, and it satisfies their ego better.

Moreover fashions are ways accepted by certain sects of society. (Continued on page 4)



There are 22 girls in the 51 members team of U.S. Peace Corps new group that arrived in Kabul last week.

All About Women

U.S. Balance Of Payments Improves In Last 3 Months

WASHINGTON, April 1, (Reuter).—The United States balance of payments improved in the quarter ending yesterday but estimates of the amount of the improvement are still "pure guesswork", officials said.

the exception of one year, is considered the major cause of declining overseas confidence in the dollar and of the recent gold crisis.

U.S. press reports which put the 1968 first quarter deficit at anywhere from \$600 million to \$1,200 million are based mainly on estimates of transactions in January and February.

Officials said the picture may have changed considerably in March but accurate information on money flows during the March gold crisis is not yet available.

The U.S. treasury is known to have lost \$1,500 million worth of gold during the 1968 first quarter but this will not add to the payments deficit unless the gold buying was financed by dollars withdrawn from the U.S.

The deficit tripled in the fourth quarter of 1967 to more than \$3,575 million, the highest since 1960.

Meanwhile, President Johnson's crash programme announced January 1 to cut the deficit drastically this year has produced only partial results in its first three months of operation.

The programme was designed to cut \$ 3,000 million from the deficit this year but officials are now very doubtful about reaching that goal.

Congress has still not passed the 10 per cent tax surcharge which the administration says is the key to cutting the payments deficit by curbing the economy and restraining a flood of imports.

The administration also requested voluntary restraints on wage and price increases, but has had little success. Car prices were raised across the board in January and consumer prices rose in February for the 13th consecutive month.

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar).—A reception was held in honour of Ishenko, the chairman of the Foreign Construction Firm of the Soviet Union in Istalef hotel by M.R. Chenzayev the president of the polytechnic yesterday.

The luncheon was attended by the members of the Soviet embassy in Kabul and officials of the Public Works Ministry.

Arrivals and Departures

KABUL, April 1, (Bakhtar).—Dr. Mohammad Akbar Omar, the deputy minister of commerce and Mohammad Hashim Taufiqi, the president of the Bagram Textile Co. left for a three week observation tour of England yesterday at the invitation of the British government.

Abdul Ghafour, an official of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation who went to the Soviet Union six and a half years ago under a Soviet Government scholarship returned to Kabul yesterday.

Mohammad Azim Parwanta, the director of transport department in the Mines and Industries Ministry who went to German Federal Republic 20 months ago under FRG fellowship returned to Kabul yesterday.

UK Press

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scurrilous image of Wilson that has gained currency in recent months—that of being just a shifty, slippery tactician—is as misleading as the earlier image of him as a miracle-worker", it declared.

The Conservative Sunday Telegraph said of Wilson "by his chicanery, his deviousness, by his sheer political dishonesty condemned... as unworthy to occupy the great office he holds."

The independent Sunday Times said: "Wilson has lost his personal credibility to a culpable degree." But it dismissed calls for the resignation of the Prime Minister or his government. "Those who offer either of these solutions are uttering the warmed-up banalities of every short-term political crisis this century."

Cecil King, boss of the mass circulation Daily Mirror and other newspapers, yesterday came out in favour of replacing Wilson. In advance excerpts from a television interview his newspapers quote him as saying it is hard to see how Britain can be given a fresh infusion of leadership except under some new character in No. 10 (Downing Street)."

Belgian Elections Marred By Bitter Language War

BRUSSELS, April 1, (Reuter).—Belgians voted yesterday in a general election dominated by the country's bitter language war.

As over six million voters hurried to vote, pre-election violence was reported in Liege, eastern Belgium.

Albert Strihay, a senator of the party of Liberty and Progress was injured in the face during the night by baton-wielding intruders who broke into the house where he was staying.

A Social Christian party deputy Rene Peeters, lay in hospital in Turnhout, west Belgium, with a fractured skull. He was beaten up by Flemish extremists after an electoral meeting on Friday in the first serious outbreak of violence in an otherwise peaceful campaign.

The election of a new Lower House of parliament follows the collapse of the coalition government led by Paul Vanden Boeynants which fell on February 7 when eight Flemish ministers resigned in a dispute over the future of the French-speaking part of Louvain university.

The result of yesterday's election could provide a pointer to the way relations will develop between the five million Flemish-speakers in the north and the three million French-speaking Walloons in the south.

Also at stake could be the future of Brussels which forms an officially bilingual enclave of 15 million people on the Flemish side of Belgium's language border.

The Walloons, who long claimed predominance in business, the arts and politics, resent the growing importance of the Flemings

whose economic progress and high birth rate have led them to demand a greater say in the country's affairs.

The tension between the two groups is reflected in splits on linguistic lines within two of the country's most important parties: the social Christians and the socialists.

UN Presses For Patrolling Jordan River

UNITED NATIONS, April 1, (Reuter).—Israel and Jordan were under mounting UN pressure yesterday to accept the stationing of UN truce observers on their ceasefire line to guard against outbreaks such as those that have broken the peace in the past fortnight.

The Security Council is expected to resume debate later this week, perhaps today, on the latest incident, in which Israeli and Jordanian forces clashed in the Beit Shean area.

During two and a half hours of debate Saturday, the Council heard Jordanian Ambassador Mohammad H. el-Farra and Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah each blame the other's government for launching the "aggression."

Secretary-General U Thant told the Council that he had no verified information from impartial sources about the clashes because there were no UN observers in the area.

Suharto Leaves For Cambodia After Visit To Japan

TOKYO, April 1, (Reuter).—Indonesian President Suharto and Mrs. Suharto today left here for Cambodia by special aircraft winding up their five-day state visit to Japan.

A joint communique between General Suharto and Japanese Prime Minister Eisaku Sato scheduled to be released this morning was cancelled at the last moment.

No official reason was given, Observers believed, however, Japan and Indonesia had failed to agree on wording of provisions on Japan's aid to Indonesia this year.

In the second and final meeting with Sato yesterday, General Suharto was reportedly assured of "forward-looking study" by Japan of her aid to Indonesia.

The Japanese press speculated today that Sato had indicated Japan's willingness to extend aid "well in excess" of her original promise of \$60 million probably around \$90 million.

General Suharto who moved up from acting to full-fledged president for a five-year term on the eve of his departure for Japan had been asking for \$110 million out of Indonesia's \$25 million dollar aid needs in 1958.

3 Day Truce

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declared autonomous zones for the montagnards.

Observers sympathetic to American and government claims that the Viet Cong use border areas of Cambodia for staging and supply bases saw cynicism in the truce announcement in that only one of the provinces covered by it touches the border, still disputed by Cambodia and South Vietnam.

The Viet Cong named provinces as Rach Gia—their name for the border province of Kien Giang and part of neighbouring Chuong Thien province an Xuren, Phong Dinh and Vinh Binh.

Arab Summit Chances Recede

AMMAN, April 1, (Reuter).—The chances of an urgent Arab summit as called for by King Hussein of Jordan during the March 21 battle with Israel were seen here today as receding.

Several Arab states announced their willingness to attend but King Faisal of Saudi Arabia said Saturday unless the mission of UN peace envoy, Dr. Gunnar Jarving, was a complete failure he saw no reason for a summit.

His reply was promoted by a second message from King Hussein during last Friday's serious clash with Israel in the Jordan valley. Observers there noted that the Saudi monarch's reply has not been made in Jordan and there has been no official Jordanian reaction.

Official circles here yesterday wanted to see what King Faisal's reaction would be to U Thant's report to the Security Council Saturday that Dr. Jarving had reported he had failed to bring the Arabs and Israelis together for mediation. U Thant said Dr. Jarving would continue his efforts.

The Jordanian Minister of Information, Salah Abu Zaid, told reporters yesterday that Jordan regretted that Israel had put Dr. Jarving in the position of announcing his disappointment in his report on his mission in the area.

Fashions

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ciety and thus give an outlet to the inhibited desires of the less mature, individuals who want to exhibit their person to gain appreciation, since they lack in other means of getting it. A person exhibiting his legs upto the knees 100 years ago might have been badly looked upon, while now he is considered as the most advanced by the chosen sect of the society.

Thus fashions are disguised ways of giving outlet to the basic instincts which if not brought under the control of social chains would make man indistinguishable from animal.

Weather Forecast

Skies in the northern, western, southern and central region will be cloud and in the Eastern parts clear.

Yesterday the warmest area was Jalalabad and Farah with a high of 26 C, 79 F, and the coldest was North Salang with a low of -16, 3 F.

The temperature in Kabul at 12:00 noon was 15 C, 59 F. Today wind speed in Kabul recorded at 1 knots.

Yesterday's Temperature:		
Kabul	18 C	-2 C
	64 F	28 F
Kandahar	24 C	3 C
	75 F	37 F
Mazare Sharif	18 C	4 C
	64 F	39 F
Herat	23 C	2 C
	73 F	35 F
Kunduz	17 C	1 C
	63 F	36 F
South Salang	1 C	-9 C
	36 F	15 F
Farah	16 C	0 C
	61 F	32 F
Bost	25 C	14 C
	77 F	57 F
Lal	4 C	-14 C
	39 F	7 F
Khost	21 C	7 C
	70 F	44 F

World News In Brief

KARACHI, April 1, (Tass). A protest demonstration against continued Israeli aggression against Arab countries was held here, involving thousands of people who marched through the ci-

ty streets with posters denouncing Israel's aggression. A meeting held after the demonstration passed a resolution demanding an immediate liberation of Israeli occupied Arab areas.

Vietnam

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during the next five months—support troops totalling approximately 13,500 men.

The president said the U.S. would accelerate the re-equipment of South Vietnam's armed forces to meet the increased fire power of the communists.

This would enable South Vietnam progressively to undertake a larger share of combat operations against communist forces.

The president estimated additional U.S. defence costs at \$2,500 million in the current 1968 fiscal year and \$2,600 million in the 1969 fiscal year beginning on July 1.

In announcing the bombing restraint, the president said: "We ask that talks begin promptly and that they be serious talks on the substance of peace. We assume that during those talks Hanoi would not take advantage of our restraint."

"We are prepared to move immediately toward peace through negotiations."

The president made another strong appeal for congressional passage of his year-old proposal for higher taxes in order to reduce the estimated \$20,000 million budget deficit, due largely to the Vietnam war.

Communication

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will be working as telecommunication technicians in telephone, carriers, telegraphy, line construction and radio departments. Students also receive practical training at the PTT.

The students of the centre are accommodated at the dormitory with free boarding.

Ten graduates will be working in the automatic telephone station and 10 around the city.

CAIRO, April 1, (Reuter). Soviet Defence Minister Marshal Andrei Grechko visited front-line military positions in the UAR today.

He was accompanied by General Abdel Moneim Riad, chief of staff of UAR armed forces.

SHILLONG, North India, April 1, (Reuter).—Seventy-five people have been injured in two days of violent clashes between Hindus and Moslems in the small industrial town of Tinsukia in upper Assam after the slaughter of a cow.

An indefinite curfew was clamped on Tinsukia Saturday after angry Hindu crowds attacked the town police station and burned down three Moslem houses in relation for the slaughter by a Moslem of a cow.

GALVINIA, Cape Province, April 1, (Reuter). South African Prime Minister John Vorster attacked the United Nations here Friday for making what he called illegal demands on South Africa—demands with which South Africa would not comply.

He said the United Nations was granting itself powers which it simply did not have.

NEW YORK, April 1, (Reuter)

The chief of India's air staff, air chief Marshal Arjun Singh, yesterday called on the Indian air force to maintain a high state of operational preparedness to meet a continuing threat to India from her neighbours.

In a broadcast over All India Radio for Air Force day today, he said that ever since India gained independence she faced threats to her integrity along her frontiers.

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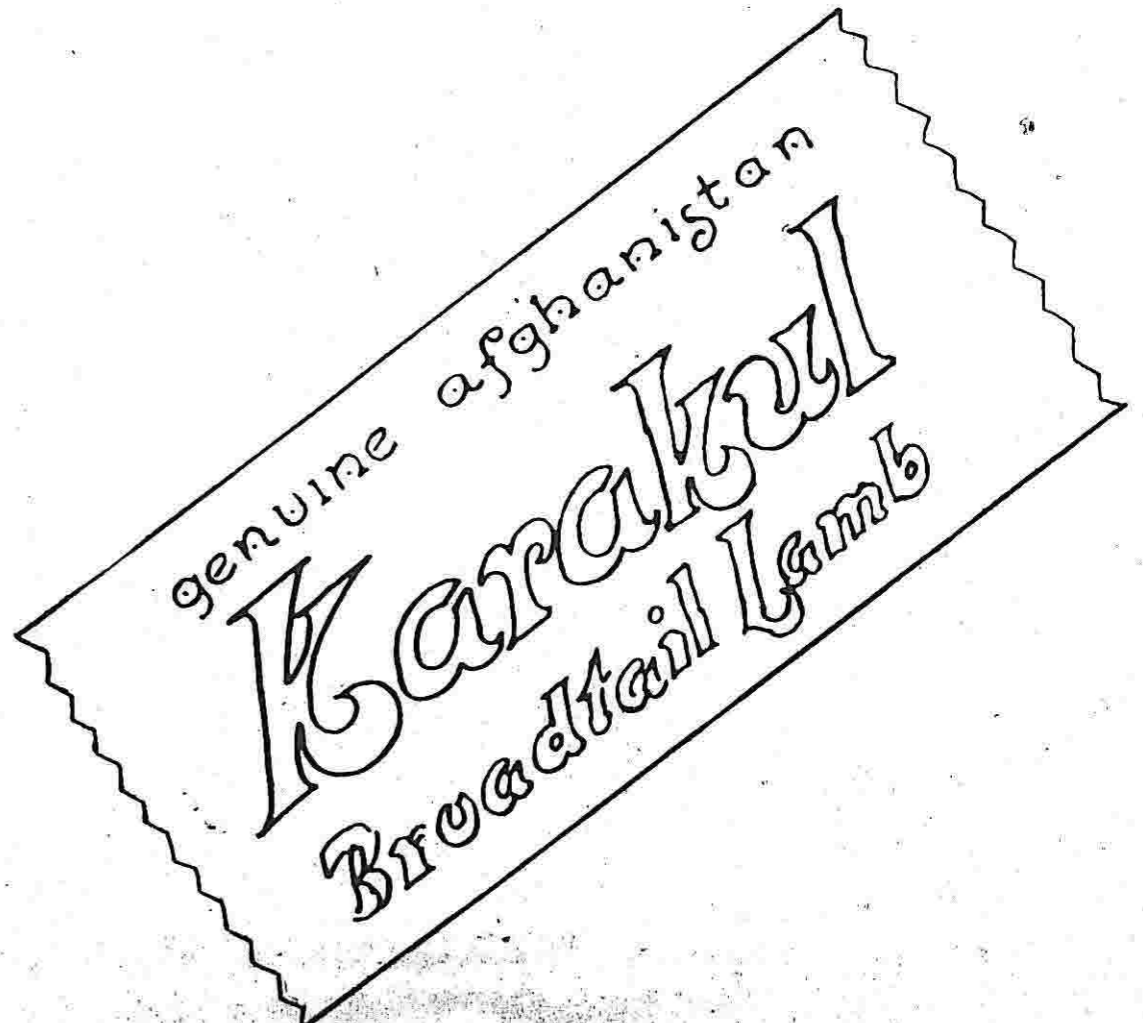
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