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A meeting of about 300 students was held in the Beef Pavilion the night before the rally. See story on page three.

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Even some SOTC members were signing petitions at yesterday's rally.

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At the end of the Iranian rally some Aggies wanted to express their views so they formed a group and sang one of their favorite songs.

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On the left is Bill Ouage, a member of the Berkeley chapter of the SDS, facing him is Soroo Shehabi, a spokesman for the two recently arrested Iranian students. One of those arrested, Mohammed Faliz-Sianavi, is seen behind Ouage.

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Second rally planned today

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A crowd of well over two thousand students cheered and perked at a rally held yesterday in defense of two Iranian students who were arrested during Poly Royal.

The 11 a.m. rally, held in front of the library lawn, was an effort by the Iranian Students to garner sympathy for Behsad Allaui and Mohammed Falayi Slanavi as well as an attempt to voice their disenchancement with the crisis in Southeast Asia.

Farokh Shehabi, an important cog in the Iranian machinery, described the rally as a gathering of "all international friends." He spoke of a need for "solidarity for our Iranian brothers.

"We want a hearing as soon as possible—before school gets out," said Shehabi. "We also want a public hearing."

Shehabi also demanded the final release of his "brothers!"

"We want all charges against the Iranian students to be dropped and we want a public hearing in a larger place."

Shehabi remarked about imperialism in the world, but he emphasized that most of it was centered around the United States. "We have been exploited by imperialism—mainly US imperialism. We cannot stop fighting against imperialism."

Imperialism wants to control the entire economy of this country.

He related this imperialism to our situation overseas: "The problem right now exists in Vietnam and Cambodia and this is the same form of imperialism found in World War II."

Roger Jones of the Black Student Union, also attributed "this sickness of the world" to imperialism.

He also commented on the actions taken by college president, Robert Kennedy. "We shouldn't be bought off by the president of this school who says there is nothing wrong here. If there was nothing wrong, there wouldn't have been roadblocks."

Jones referred to Governor Reagan's move as "fascism," as well as the actions that have been taken against Black Panther leader Bobby Seale.

Another BSU representative, Darryl Bandy, spoke of fascism, and made an appeal to the people out there to come together to join forces against this fascism.

Bandy also spoke of the revolution that has been rapidly spreading across the colleges and universities of the nation. "The revolution is within us, individually. Does the revolution have to get you arrested to let you know it is here?"

He spoke of the revolution being "here at Cal Poly."

Bandy described the literature passed out by Kennedy as an attempt to "protect himself." He referred to actions taken by Kennedy as moves "so he can keep his job."

Bandy also proposed a liberation front as a move "to confront pigs."

"If you don't know what pigs are by now you should."

He believes that the "only way to attain liberty is through the unity of the people."

Students For New Action Politics (SNAP) representative Rue Malcolm advocated support to the power of the people. She spoke of "women's oppression," "cheaper labor," and being used as "sex tools.

"Women are put on pedestals and are sexual fulfillment."

She referred to this as another side of "male chauvinism."

Mai Malcolm sounded a plea to the women: "Women, don't let your body do your work for you."

She asked for total support from all students. "A student strike shows we are not going to propagate imperialism in this country. Let them know that this is power by the people—for the people."

Raymond DeGroote, also from SNAP, joined Mai Malcolm in an effort to unite the people: "We got to stand together against this kind of bull. Nixon wants us divided. He can't say he's working for peace with all this bullshit going on. We don't want any more war."

When an unidentified student yelled, "We want our education," DeGroote quickly retorted, "We are too goddamn busy getting an education to be gay."

Bill Ouage, a member from the Berkeley chapter of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), spoke of his organisation and the stand they take with violence. "A lot of people associate SDS with violence. I'm not going to hide it—we're not against violence."

He added, "If we want to change the world, it's not going to be a picnic, but we can do it."

Power to the people—smash imperialism."

All Torohast of the Iranian Student Association of Northern California (Berkeley), declared, "If you want to free a man in Southeast Asia, you don't need a man with a gun because he is going to be killed. If a man is shot he is not stopped with a gun."

He also advocated the releasing of the Iranian students and the dropping of all charges.

Following the end of the rally, which was quickly adjourned by Iranian students at twelve noon, there was a small demonstration between the Iranians and a small number of students from the Agriculture department. The small hassle concerned disenchancement from the Aggies. They wanted to be given equal opportunity to voice their opinions.

The Aggies were later found grouped on an edge of the lawn ranging along to the tune, "The Okee From Muskogee."

A.S.I. Vice-President Dick Barrett sponsored a two day session about the rally. "I feel this freedom of speech was not exercised by the Iran students. They didn't bring out a lot of the facts and they didn't talk on the bull. I heard them saying they want a democratic process, but they are demonstrating actions contrary to that. It was unfair not to have students from both sides—get to function this manner here.

The rally also brought into focus a large group of people exchanging ideas about what actions they should take.

There were more than a thousand students present when Raymond Haight, instructor in the Political Science department, and a candidate for the Governor of California, visited. He emphasised the point of "working together."

He stated, "I'm not going to give you any leadership—I'm going to be with you. We were accorded a standing ovation from the crowd.

Haight read from a newspaper, an article about his alma mater, UCB, and added this, "I challenge you to be the best in the world."

Just recently passed action to give the students the flexibility of choosing from four alternatives in regard to their education. They are: attend classes as usual, withdraw and take an incomplete for the semester, or do community work for credit.

Many views were exchanged at the gathering, and an 11 a.m. Workers for Peace rally was proposed for today front of the library lawn.

An unidentified student challenged the students with the question, "Tomorrow we are going to be driving to this city."

"How do you propose to handle this situation?"

"It's time for you to show some class and tell your instructors you're going to the rally and split.

Right on."

The crowd chanted, "Right on."

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Aggies plan their strategy

by RICHARD BOCCHETTI
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A group of approximately 300 students met Monday night in the Student Pavilion to discuss a threat to campus safety and the result of the Iranian revolution.

The meeting, which was largely attended by Paul Banke, Pete Vandeneynde and Dave Jones, was held as a precaution against any possible violence.

Along with the announcements, warnings were given over and over again for students to keep cool and be aware of their surroundings.

The meeting apparently was called by the Associated Student Inc., California State Polytechnic University, for students and faculty to discuss the situation.

Kresge said later, "The leaders of the gathering met with me at 1:30 that night and asked me to speak. The meeting was on a short notice that people were cold. Up until today (Tuesday) no one knew what was going on for sure.

Kresge also said that at 9 p.m. the organizers, who had contacted people earlier to be group leaders, met with these people to discuss their plans. "From the looks of things they were mostly club leaders."

Kennedy, when asked if he was going to strengthen security on campus, replied, "I have done what I would normally do if I anticipated a large group of people on campus who could get carried away. But, I did not call any police in. I'm trying to do it the way the students wanted it."

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ASI vote scheduled

The second day of the student assembly elections, which was spoiled due to the closure of the polls, will be held today.

Voting booths will be set up in various places on campus, beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, and will be open until 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Voters will only have to vote on one ballot, and the results will be announced at 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Apart from the candidates for the S.I.S. of the Associated Student Inc., California State Polytechnic University, there were no significant changes in the candidates for other positions.

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Burgers save baseball

San Luis Obispo's Babe Ruth Baseball League has the opportunity to raise needed funds for equipment and uniforms this Saturday, May 18.

Mel Hahn, owner of Ed's Take Out at the corner of Monterey Street and California Boulevard, has offered to donate all proceeds of the first game of the season to the league, according to Harry Henderson, Babe Ruth League president.

Henderson and other members of the board of directors have expressed their hope that hungry baseball fans will make the opening day of the season a success by eating at Ed's. The first game of the season will take place on May 18.