From the heart

San Lula Obispo, California

Washington’s Union Station was bare yesterday after the Brotherhood of Railway Signalmen went on strike against the nation’s railroads.

Adela St. John

It’s a sure bet that when Adela Rogers St. John sits down to write a story, that it will come from the heart.

Whether it be a courtroom drama, a Hollywood scandal or a murder case the famous William Randolph Hearst employee and personal friend will be as accurate and fair as any reporter at the event—and without notes.

Addressing journalism students and faculty at the C U yesterday, Mrs. St. John reminisced personally important events with a performing expertise few professional speakers possess.

Recalling great news events such as the Hauptmann-Lindberg kidnapping trials, she surprised her audience when she said that she didn’t take notes. It was during this famous trial that Mrs. St. John, along with Damon Runyon, wrote the lead stories for all the Hearst newspapers.

Mrs. St. John talked happily about the days spent at the trial, and the enjoyment she received reporting it. “From one journalist to another” she emphasized the need for the journalist to get involved in what he is reporting, so that reporting can be from the heart, not from a notebook.

Since the talk was given to a class on press law, Mrs. St. John, who has never been involved in a libel suit, quickly covered the subject. “It is impossible for a good reporter to commit libel, truth is always a complete defense.”

With loving memories of the days when she was working for the Hearst papers, she also talked about the times when reporting was beating the other guy to the presses.

In remembering a story when she went to a press conference for England’s first labor Prime Minister, she made arrangements before hand to have a boat transport her from the Prime Minister’s ship. The idea was to beat the other reporters to the presses—and beat them she did. Of course, Mrs. St. John’s story of a typical race for the scoop brought laughter from a more conventional group of journalists.

Now living at the Madonna Inn, Mrs. St. John appeals to all kinds of journalists. Her fun-loving, hard working attitude seems to be right out of a 1930’s movie. But one thing is sure, Mrs. Adela Rogers St. John is very much in today’s world. And I mean it from my heart.

Strike clogs U.S. rails

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Railroad signalmen striking for higher pay stopped almost every train in America Monday, snarling thousands of commuters and threatening quick and widespread layoffs in industry.

Saying the economy could not tolerate a strike, President Nixon yesterday urged Congress to order the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen back to work immediately, but today appears the earliest lawmakers can act.

Although one of the smallest of rail unions, the picket lines set up by the 15,000 signalmen at 8 a.m. local time were immediately respected by other railroad laborers. The result was snarled big-city commuting, threats of late layoffs in the auto, steel and coal industries and an embargo on long-distance bulk mail.

From his Key Biscayne, Fla., vacation home, Nixon called for joint congressional resolution to keep the men on the job until June and to reopen the negotiations that collapsed Sunday after 51 months of bickering over a new contract.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., introduced Nixon’s proposal in the Senate with the hope that it could win congressional approval by last night and thus end the strike during its first day.

But Chairman Harley O. Staggers, D-W.Va., of the House Commerce Committee scheduled a hearing on the measure for 10 a.m. EDT today. Staggers said he did not foresee any major opposition to the measure, but his scheduling meant that the legislation could not be ready for Nixon’s signature until sometime today at the earliest.

An auto industry spokesman in Detroit said plants which depend on rail shipments for parts faced early shutdowns if the strike continued.

In Pittsburgh, a spokesman for U.S. Steel Corp. said operations at its facilities not stocked with raw materials would close within 48 hours. A coal industry spokesman said all major mines in West Virginia would close by tomorrow unless the strike ends.

Postmaster General Watson M. Blount announced an embargo on bulk mail—mostly publications, advertising and parcel post—to be carried more than 300 miles during the course of the strike.

But under U.S. Postal Service contingency plans, Blount said all domestic, first class, air mail and registered mail would be delivered. He also said, all military mail addressed to army and fleet post offices overseas would be delivered.

In the New York metropolitan area alone, some 36,000 commuters had to find other ways to work and midtown hotels were “swamped with calls” for persons seeking to avoid the afternoon rush-hour crush by staying in the city.
Letters to the Editor

Former Prof sees 'emancipation' election

Dear Mr. Evans and Mrs. Daniels:

May I congratulate you most heartily on your recent victory in the Cal Poly Student Body election. As a fifteen year observer of Cal Poly politics, I find in your election a long overdue emancipation process; a change to democracy in substance, as well as in form. Even though there are those among the faculty as well as among the students who still prefer to be led by the proverbial brass ring in the nose, let's hope that the next fifteen years will add more backbone to attitudes in eliminating the still prevailing patronizing system. You had the courage to challenge the "Father knows best" technique, and won. This fact will be a landmark in Cal Poly history.

Wishing you the best of luck in your endeavors, and assuring you that I shall always remain interested in the welfare of Cal Poly students I am.

Most cordially yours,

Dr. Michel N. Franck
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John and Jennifer's 'strange love rite'

A little folk, a little country and western, little blues and tales of shattered dreams and a rambling rhose of tragedies and town of America. John Stewart.

Blonde hair swirling, her torso constantly moving, songs running the gamut from smoky passion to impressionistic inventiveness, she stamps her feet, tugs her hair, sings. Jennifer Warren.

Both troubadors of our times. Jennifer with a piano behind her, Stewart with guitar and banjo. None of the slick commercialism of some of the rock groups, "none of the pseudo-freak theatrics", as Stewart himself puts it.

Just music.

The "Strange Love Rite" Friday, May 14 in the Gen's Gym. A little bit may be a little too cornball for the concert, but a presentation of sounds and thoughts that will take a little time to forget.

Photos by Catherine Phoenix and Richard Newman
New SAC officers named after four day delay

Final election results determining next year's members of the Student Affairs Council have been tabulated by the Election Committee.

The school of Business and Social Science will be represented by Kirk Hoffman and Steve Leger who each received approximately half of the 586 votes cast. Science and Mathematics elected Daniel Cook and Elizabeth Duprey with 687 total ballots cast.

Members of the School of Communicative Arts and Humanities cast 443 votes to elect Kathleen Beatley and Budd Dreiser. Engineering and Technology with a total of 844 votes elected Tom Crel, John Cider, Robert Walson, and Jim Windman.

Architecture and Environmental Design will be represented by Keith Gurney and Ken Brucer. The School of Human Development and Education elected Pat Jobes, Liza McGrath, Cathy McLean and Judy McMullen.

The School of Agriculture elected Wayne Moore, Greg Williams and Rich Denter with 1229 ballots cast.

Staff Comment

Vietnam -- oil or ideals?

by Candl Irving

While our troops are fighting and dying in Vietnam, American oil companies are vying for the right to drill for oil offshore.

The Thieu-Ky government is offering 30-year leases for offshore oil with terms highly favorable to the oil companies. It is now public knowledge that Standard Oil of New Jersey, Gulf, Continental, Callex, and other American companies are vying for these leases to drill for oil in the troubled waters off Vietnam.

Since the early 1960’s our government has declared its interest in the oil and other natural resources of Southeast Asia. The United States not only gave major support to the French military efforts to control the wealth of Vietnam ($1 billion the year before the French were defeated at Dien Bien Phu), but have supported puppet regimes in South Vietnam since that time.

The oil-rich island of Sumatra, Java, and Borneo have long attracted American oil companies. But it was not until the overthrow of Sukarno who was seeking to retain for his country control of their own resources, that the door was open for a major oil boom in Southeast Asian offshore exploration.

What I would like to know is what has all this to do with the recent escalation of the war in Cambodia and Laos? Also, has the Nixon Administration given the American oil companies their “assurances” to the oil companies that it will maintain the Thieu-Ky regime in power until work in the offshore fields has been completed? And, are these “assurances” the reason President Nixon refuses to set the date for the withdrawal of all troops from Indochina?

The really important question is: How long are we going to put up with this squandering of men’s lives? Everyone has a chance to make democracy work. Now is the time to make your voice heard. We should all want an answer to the question: Are our men dying for offshore oil? If each of us sends a letter, or postcard, to Washington asking for public hearings in this question we could all be contributing to the democratic process.

Write to Senator J. William Fulbright, U.S. Senate, Washington D.C. 20510, today. Each letter received is tabulated. Yours will count.

Don’t let the same black sticky oil from offshore drilling, which is killing our shore birds, continue to cling the ears of our leaders.

Three industrial tech students awarded grants

Three industrial technology majors have been awarded $600 grants by the American Institute of Plant Engineers (AIPE). Announcements that the awards would be given to Glen E. Chapman, Russell Plassert and Thomas D. O’Kelley came during a meeting of the campus chapter of AIPE.

The student chapter, established on this campus last year, was the first one in the nation for AIPE. Larry T. Talbott, chairman of the University Liaison Committee of AIPE and a member of this school’s Industrial Technology Department faculty is adviser for the campus chapter.

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It's home for our fish

by John Henshaw

And then Frey said to Thurman, "you should've seen the one that got away." Sounds familiar? No way baby. The two "fisherman" in this case, Dr. Dennis Frey, professor of biological science, and Neil Thurman, animal husbandry major, have more than a seafood platter in mind when discussing fish. They threw around terms such as Brachygobius nunus, Angophyulus jordani, and Acanthophthalmus semilinc-... The fish are being used for experimentation—one at this college.

"If you take care of your fish, and under perfect conditions in an aquarium, they could live as long as four years on average. In the wild, the same fish could live as long as 30 years."

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"Prices are fairly steep," he said. "Blue Gourami, bought from a typical fish store, cost about 90 cents each. I bought some Oscars for $1 and now, because of their size, are worth twice as much."

"If you plan to begin an aquarium, you should start with Scavengers and Algae Eaters," Neil stated. "Scavengers are generally a docile, mellow fish which stay on the bottom and keep it clean. The Algae Eaters are mainly vegetarians and live on algae." But watch out! Fish are "athletes. They will eat another's eggs. Whatever you do, don't swap fish in a community tank!"

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Among the variety of fish in the 100 gallon tanks are Blue Gourami, Channel Catfish, Convicta and Sticklebacks—a smorgasbord of color. "One of the reasons for the cascade of colors in tropical fish is for mating purposes—to attract a mate," Neil explained. "Colorful they are. For example, the Giant Gourami. Neil has a picture of one of his at home. (WHAT DO YOU EXPECT A PICTURE OF IN THE HOME OF AN Ichthyologist?)! The Giant Gourami, like most tropical fish, is a color chameleon. In India, it has a green central fin outlined by orange, a blue dorsal fin outlined by red, a tail of orange with green spots and the rest of the body striped green with a background of red-orange."

The fish are ordered directly from hatcheries in the Bimai Valley, although the EEO area supplies many species, such as the Sunfish. "But now we have a direct "fish" line to the Orient," Neil added.

"We get their food from West Germany, and feeding time is twice a day—40 per cent of the food being protein," he said. "Big problem in the lab is keeping the fish in their tanks. "The Blue Gourami, the ones that we are experimenting with, are jumpers; they take out of absence from their tanks," Neil said. "For this reason I keep water running on the floor at all times. If one jumps and lands in the water he can survive just as long as water passes through his gills and his body is kept moist." During the three days of the interview, five fish were discovered on the floor—two of them dead.

Neil's house resembles a miniature Steinhart Aquarium (San Francisco), with tanks of fish overflowing from the bedroom and still more over into the living room.

"I'm breeding Lyre Tail and Black Molly in my home in three-2 gallon tanks, three-30 gallon tanks, and numerous spawning tanks," he said. "The fish number into the hundreds. Speaking generally on tropical fish, Neil said:"

"It's rewarding work, but hard. Tropical fish are extremely delicate. You just can't leave them unattended. Disease is always prevalent, with Ich and Fungus the main ones."

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Men riders stretch lead

Dick Nolan, coach of the San Francisco 49ers pro football team, indicates with his hand the number of years his new contract with the 49ers will run. Lou Spadola, left, president of the 49ers, signed Nolan to a new 5-year-

Edwards finishes sixth as golfers end in fourth

Senior Greg Edwards of the Mustang golf team finished sixth in the individual competition last week as the last 18 holes of CCAA play were completed. Edwards, who finished third a year ago, had a closing 77 on the par 72 Yerba Linda Country Club course. His 54-hole total was 226, six strokes off the pace of Larry, Bundy of San Fernando Valley State.

As a team the Mustangs finished fourth with a team total of 1162. Valley State repeated as champions with a 1117 total. Cal Poly Pomona finished second with a 1136 and UC Riverside

Riflers second

Two Mustang target shooters took honors in the California Intercollegiate Championships hosted by the Mustangs last weekend.

Sam Thoman took second individual with a 384, just two points behind San Jose State's Craig Stutler. Richard Roll won first place ROTC with a 388 and defeated teammate Merlin Welch. San Jose State won the team award with 2170 as the Mustangs finished second with 2133. Other Mustangs were Larry Merrell and Brock Wagstaff. Thomas also won first place prone and edged Roll by one point. First place kneeling went to Stutler who topped Thomas by one point.

Bundy of San Fernando Valley State tied for fourth, each having a 225. At one stroke back was Fullerton's Rich Posen with a 222. Dave Lucas of Riverside and Romeo Chacon of UC Riverside

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Fullerton’s depth stops Cindermen’s crown string

Depth won over quality. That’s the way it was this past weekend as Cal State Fullerton dominated in CCAA track.
The Titans outdistanced the Mustangs for the second time in two weekends. Fullerton’s depth was even more evident than last week, with 53 points, 103 to 81. Cal Poly Pomona broke its own record of 9:33.7 by running a 9:36.6 for the mile relay.
The Mustangs have a lot of depth in the 100, as expected on one jump 48-6 1/2. But Robert Jennings was the second place finisher with a distance of 52-4 for the mile relay.

Mike Craig could only manage a 4.4 in the 100 yard hurdles. Ward Kinney won with a 4.7. Mike Stone was hoping for at least seven points in the 100 yard dash as they failed to score a point. But the competition was tougher than any other time this year causing the Mustang failure.
The upset went away without any surprises as Bobby Turner led the way with a double victory. Turner was followed by Harry and Bennet in the 100 to sweep the first three places. But Turner was well out in front as he won with a 9.4. Hallie was second in 9.7 and Bennet third in 9.8.

Turner and Hallie came back later to go one-two in the 220 as both had outstanding times. Turner won with a 23.5 while Hallie finished 1.5 yards back with a 23.6.

The pole vault gave the Mustangs another one-two finish as Mark Delitchman and Hallie were well above the other finishers. Delitchman equalled his season best by vaulting 15 feet while Hallie went 14-6.

Simmons adjusted his lineup in the mile relay by replacing Hallie with Mitchell but it was not enough as the Mustangs dropped to a fourth place finish with a 3:22.1 clocking. Cal Poly Pomona won in 3:18.8.

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