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On student protests against the SST faces Senate rebuke

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The Senate will shut America's supersonic transport (SST) down for the third straight time Wednesday when it votes on a House attempt to rescue the futuristic jetliner.

An informal UPI check of members on the eve of the vote showed that more federal money for the 1,800-mile-an-hour plane would be beaten by eight or nine votes.

Senate will shoot America's SST faces Senate rebute

by Phil Graham

Young Chris Bragga had never seen an ocean before coming to California. The 17-year-old Idaho native came to Morro Bay to visit with friends in mid-April...His first swim in the blue Pacific was so exciting to him, he could not wait to try more challenging feats.

His challenges ended in a sad defeat.

On April 23 the 16-foot sailboat in which he and Helmut Schleicher were aboard, capsized. Schleicher narrowly escaped death as he managed to cling to the small craft and paddle it to shore. Bragga's body was washed ashore a week later.

Schleicher, a junior bio-scientist major and a member of the Mustang Yacht Club on campus, recalls the events that took place that day. "We left the boat club about 1:30 that afternoon. The wind, at the time did not seem too strong. In fact, we were wondering if the wind would be enough to sail. The wind became stronger and stronger. We were about a mile south of the Morro Bay breakwater when a big gust of wind capsized the boat.

"We righted the boat but it was too late. We were out of control. Almost when I thought we could not hang on any longer, the boat appeared. Bragga was not as fortunate. The question posed by Coast Guard officers and the harbormaster was, what were the two youths doing out at sea in the first place?"

"It was obviously a hazardous situation at sea for small boats," said Lt. Ron Matthew, skipper of the Coast Guard cutter Cape Hedge. "I don't see how the 16-foot boat could have even gotten out of the harbor it was so rough. We (the crew of the Cape Hedge) were out on a routine training mission just prior to noon that day."

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Letters to the Editor

Will California sink tomorrow?

Editor: I was sort of intrigued by the article appearing in Monday’s Mustang Daily entitled "Better Method". Now the first part of the article contained points which were very well taken — in fact, I couldn't agree with them more. The turnout this year surpassed by 9 percent the previous best election turnout on this campus, which was 2 years ago in the Kresge-Markowitz race. It was more than 3 times that of last year. We, the Elections Committee, provided for a 40 percent voter turnout this year, which is itself allowed for a substantial reduction in student apathy over a one-year span. We printed 4000 ballots last year and 1500 of them were wasted. We did not believe more than 4000 people would vote this year, just as we did not believe California was going to sink into the ocean the next day.

The preferential voting system has got to go, true. It takes up way too much time in the voting process and if the students vote accordingly, it will be abolished in a referendum election early next year. We also are trying to obtain the county's voting machines for next year's elections, at least for the A.S.I. elections, which would make the results available within an hour after the close of the election. Now I can easily present S.A.C. with a list of the tremendous advantages which would be created with the use of these machines, and hope that they will be unstingy enough to allocate money for their rental, which shouldn't be that much considering the importance of their potential contribution.

But anyone can easily make the statement such as the last one in Monday's article, without realizing how much this year's and last year's Elections Committee, working with only 5 people, have worked to improve the elections process to a point where it works exceptionally smoothly except for the drawback of the preferential voting system, which, as I said, will, if the students so vote, be done away with next year.

Steve Greenberg
Elections Committee Chairman

Editorial

Dynamic idea

AS1 Vice-president Tony Turkovich will be presenting a proposal to tomorrow's College Union Board of Governors meeting (CU 220 at 3 p.m.) that might be the most dynamic concept introduced in the student housing predicament in San Luis Obispo: a student housing office.

The possibilities of such an entity on campus is enormous: advice on leases, delineation of tenants rights, a system in which cleaning deposits won't be landlord shuck and jive. For example, the office could check the validity of the deposit claims — to see if the tenant is being treated fairly, to see if the "damage" is repaired. A directory could be set up advising students of "good" available housing — landlords couldn't pull the wool over peoples eyes if they are monitored.

The concept is something that has been in dire need for a long time. It can be one of the most effective student organs on campus. Let's make it work. Thursday, room 220 in the College Union at 3 p.m.

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Sea death—questions

(Continued from page 1) day. The sea became so turbulent, we cancelled our operations and returned to shore. Many commercial fishing boats were left for a day's outing and were forced to return just after leaving the bay.

Many more questions were aroused after this tragic accident. Did the boys have life jackets aboard their boat? "No, but I wish we had," said Schleicher. "Were there small craft warnings posted in the harbor? The harbormaster assures they were flying at the Texaco Marina, the source for such information for the Corinthian Club.

Was the outing sanctioned by the campus organization? According to the club's faculty advisor, Edgar Carnegie, any member of the club has authorization to use the club's boats. The boats are not kept under lock and key, however, the sails and life jackets are only given to specified members of the club know the combination to the lock," according to Carnegie.

Schleicher was a member of the Corinthian Club. He had been a member since the end of the summer quarters. He had managed to get to his boat after the accident, but the new regulations forced him back. He had been out with the other boys twice prior to the accident.

In fact, Braga had been out with Schleicher two weeks ago. That was the last time Carnegie felt they had not broken the law. Schleicher admits he had been checked out. He could give no specific reason for leaving the bay that day. The sea became so turbulent, we cancelled our outing.

Matthew feels the reason why more stringent laws are not put into effect is primarily because of public opposition. "The public will not stand for more rigid boating laws. Look at the position the gun legislation received. It is for their benefit, for safety reasons as well as monetary reasons."

Matthew explained that during the hopeles search for Braga's body, the crew of the Cape Hedge spent 18 hours trolling the coastline. That night a C-130 aircraft from the San Francisco Coast Guard Station dropped a parachute flare to help in the search. Each flare cost approximately $100. The next day a smaller aircraft joined the search. "Thousands of dollars spent needlessly, and billed to the taxpayer," says Matthew.

Carnegie feels that the laws are there. "We have adequate laws on the books," he says. "They could pass laws until they are blue in the face and still people will break them." He feels that the commercial fishermen would be the ones most affected by more stringent laws. "They are the ones to pay, the ones that make a living from the sea. As for locking up the boats, I've been to yacht clubs all over the country and there isn't a dozen boats that I've seen locked up."

Accidents happen and will continue to happen. When one does occur, sometimes it does result in precautions taken to prevent it from happening again. Like a stop sign installed after a fatal accident has occurred at an intersection. Or, like a painting a cross walk where a child has been run down by an automobile. It's just sad that young people like Chris Braga die.

The Editor reserves the right not to return any letters. Unless requested, personal letters are asked to submit to the Editor personally or place it in his mailbox. Unless requested, no letters will be returned.

Five alternatives

Seniors will elect gift

The Senior Week Activities Committee has, after long deliberation, reduced senior class gift suggestions to five possible alternatives. These five alternatives will be presented to the senior class Wednesday, May 31, between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. for a polling of senior preferences.

All seniors who hold a current class card are encouraged to vote for their senior class gift choice. The polling will be held at the next entrance of the Math Building.

This year's alternatives for the 1971 class gift were selected from a long list but senior week activities committee felt that the following five choices represented a very wide spectrum and would probably have the greatest appeal to this year's senior class. The five selected for your opinion are:

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Kent Agler did what only one other person has done this year—shut out the Broncos. The senior scattered six hits and allowed men to reach third twice but then closed the door.

The Broncos did not wait to throw a scare into the hearts of over 500 fans. Singles by Mike Lee, a sophomore from San Luis Obispo, and Lee Chilton started a threat. But Agler forced first baseman Bruce Bochte to ground out to Obispo, and Lee Chilton started a double play.

The Mustangs did not wait to score after kicking up the dirt, threatening to score again. Lee was doubled up to end the game and the season. Egusa then doubled up center field. Steve Freeborn hit. Oliver made it to third when the Broncos made good their threat to score after kicking up the dirt, lashed a single down the third baseline. Dave Oliver bunted and pitcher Rich Troedson threw wildly into right-center to score Glenn Egusa who had walked and stolen second.

The Mustangs waited until two outs in the sixth before threatening to score again. Chilton grounded up the middle for a hit and then stole second. Bochte then walked but Condesa flied out to end the inning.

The Mustangs played heads up ball to squelch another Bronco threat. Lee Carriglia singled in the seventh. But Dave Hengen mann attached a fly to right fielder Egusa on a hit and run play. Egusa then doubled up Condesa.

The Broncos started another threat in the ninth but Agler retired the next two pinch hitters to end the game and the season. In gaining his ninth win of the year, Agler set a team record for most wins in one season. The Mustangs finished the year with a 28-11-4 mark while Santa Clara completed its regular play with a 6-61-1 record. It was only the second time the Broncos had been shut out in 91 games this year.

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**Diamond men whitewash Broncos to close season**

The Mustangs gathered eight hits off the Broncos. Both teams left runners on base during the game, the Mustangs eight and the Broncos seven. The Mustangs had runners aboard in every inning except the seventh and eighth.

In the eighth the Mustangs scored three times to put the game out of reach for the Broncos. Steve Freeborn singled to left and at the second when the Broncos' Chilton committed a two-base throwing error. Robin Baggett then reached first base on a hit and run play. Connie Gaviota dropped the ball. It was the final error. Robin Baggett then doubled up to third before scoring on a hit by Glenn Egusa off the Broncos. The Mustangs gathered eight hits off the Broncos.

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