Sacramento (UPI)—Gov. Ronald Reagan signed bills authorizing spending $472.1 million for the state college system when he presented his proposed $7.8 billion state budget Wednesday. The budget included a 7.6 per cent pay raise for faculty and non-teaching personnel. This would be the first faculty pay raise in two years.

The amount budgeted for state colleges was about 17 per cent over the present budget, and about 10 per cent less than had been requested.

The governor also proposed increasing state scholarship programs from $25 million to $35 million.

Reagan’s record election-year budget represents the most liberal spending program he has ever proposed. After years of austerities, squeeze-and-trim budgets, the budget he sent to the legislature last week included 11 per cent higher than his current spending program.

It called for $4.1 billion, an $827 million jump over the budget he signed last July and 974 million more than what the state actually expects to spend this fiscal year.

One key agency seeking increases was the University of California system, an 11.7 increase over last year.

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Budget strangles arts

Editor:
One of the most wasteful aspects of spending on this campus is practiced by the Athletics Department. The fact remains that these sports lost $5,000,000 last year, and who knows how much this year? The reasons behind this particular article are simple: This campus is a technical college. However, the intellectual level of activities, with few exceptions, borders on the absurd. Films shown in the last week and those to come are fine, but this school needs spending on its liberal arts budget. This campus should be known for its intellectual achievements as well as its athletic ones, which, like the Pentagon, is swallowing money for ridiculous activities which other more necessary channels could and are dying for lack of funds.

Who do we blame? Last year's SAC didn't accomplish anything, so let's blame the Athletic Department, and strangle liberal arts money. When the budget for 1972-1973, SAC should think very hard about the money we spend. The past year a department that has shown itself to be wasteful and overbudgeted.

T. W. Spears

Maybe embryos think

Editor:
The abortion debate has been argued and perhaps over-argued, by Mr. Bethel. He has never shown "the ability to think, love, choose, or take responsibility." He may argue and perhaps over-argue, but Mr. Bethel's reasoning still doesn't quite make sense. Abortion, hence is not an infallible criterion for being a person. It cannot talk, love, think, love, choose, and take responsibility. Abortion, hence is immoral to kill children. Why? Because they have the potential for all of the human characteristics. In like manner does the characteristic of being a person. It cannot talk, love, think, etc. It only exists as an animal. Yet we consider it moral to kill children. Why? Because they have the potential for all of the human characteristics. In like manner does the embryo share the potential to become a human being. So also does it share moral stature when it is killed.

Lawrence Siminski

Embryos have child's rights

Editor: Mr. Bethel suggests that because embryos are incapable of exhibiting actions which we consider characteristic of, or even prerequisites to being a person, they therefore are not a person. Not being a person justifies abortion by his logic. But if his standards were applied to a new born child, that child would also fail the test of being a person. It cannot talk, love, think, etc. It only exists as an animal. Yet we consider it moral to kill children. Why? Because they have the potential for all the human characteristics. In like manner does the embryo share the potential to become a human being. So also does it share moral stature when it is killed.

Kevin Raltes

Labor cuts commission

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Ice cream free-for-all

Melody fills theater

Two musicians who are well known to Central Coast area audiences will be featured during the College Hour Concert planned for this morning.

Soprano Nells Oirolo and violinist Virginia Wright will be joined by the College Chamber Singers for the program, which will take place in the campus theater starting at 11 a.m. Accompanist will be pianist Ronald V. Rakofsky.

Both Mrs. Oirolo and Mrs. Wright are wives of faculty members and Rakofsky is a member of the music faculty. Also a John G. Russell who is director of the vocal ensemble.

Programmed for the concert is chamber and choral music by such composers as Ludwig Sporer, Mahya Seiler, Thomas Morly, John Bennett, John Dowland, Igor Stravinsky, and Michael Horznagin.

This morning's concert is part of a series of such programs given throughout the college year under the sponsorship of the Music Department. Admission will be free and the public is invited to attend.

Russell indicated that there are presently openings in the group and that applications are invited.

Increased pay

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Christians will meet

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (IVC) will be having an open meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. in CU 220. Guest speaker will be Doug Ericsson of the IVC staff for the tri-counties.

IVC, along with Campus Crusade for Christ, has been invited to participate in the second annual Mark of the Christian conference, to be held Jan. 21-22 at Westmont College in Santa Barbara.

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Pirates triumph

The freshman Colt basketball team lost its second meeting with the Porterville JC Pirates of the season Tuesday night 66-73 in the Men's Gym. The Colts had a 16-point lead in the first half that was cut to two by the end of the half, 46-44. They stretched the lead back to 14 mid-way through the second half, but fell apart when Porterville's guard Steve Thompson connected on nearly every shot he took in the closing minutes.

Thompson along with teammate Gordon Brown shared top scoring honors with 31 points each, while Rick Beason had 20 and Dan Montalto had 16 for the Colts.

The freshman record now stands at two wins and seven losses. The Colts will host Cal Poly Pomona Saturday in the Men's Gym at 8:15 p.m.

Intramurals

There will be meetings tonight for anyone interested in playing Intramural soccer or football. Coach Dick Heaton, Intramural director, announced that an organizational soccer meeting will be held at 7 p.m. and an organizational football meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Both meetings will be held in MEPE 104.