by CHERYL MARURER

Many people agree that the natural beauty and solitude of Lopes Canyon in the Los Padres National Forest should be preserved. A disagreement arises when they try to decide in what way it should be preserved. In mid-December of last year, U.S. Senators Alan Cranston and John Tunney introduced Bill S.2067 to Congress to set aside 11,000 acres of the Lopes Lake watershed area as a national wilderness area, under the provisions of the 1966 Wilderness Act.

Since that time, several groups have expressed concern over the outcome of the bill, including the State Department of Forestry, the local chapter of the Sierra Club, the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors, and the city councils within the county. The Lopes Lake watershed area under question is in the Forestry Service’s “multiple use” category. The service is officially against the wilderness designation; they want to make it a scenic area, which is described as “a place of outstanding beauty requiring special management to preserve.”

Restricted under the Wilderness Act are commercial development, mining, lumbering, paved roads, and entry with private vehicles or motorcycles.

The main complaint against this is that fire is a potential threat to flood control, water supply and recreation. The forest service believes it can do a better job of preventing and fighting fires in a scenic area rather than a wilderness.

The Forest Service contends, creates or rejects land sites for scenic areas; only the service’s own regulations require it to consider the wishes of the public in controlling these areas.

Performer Reille White, former sergeant San Luis District Range of Los Padres National Forest said, “We have a pre-attack system—a planning system for the occurrence of fire. It might involve roads, fuel breaks, ‘copter landing pads, water supply, water tanks. This is what cannot be done in a wilderness area.”

The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors at their first meeting, refused to officially endorse the wilderness designation.

Supervisor Howard Martin said, “All this would do is draw attention to it, then we would have thousands of people trampling all over it.”

We’re concerned with finding the best way to protect it,” said Supervisor John Freeman.

Harold Middo, conservation chairman and spokesman for the Santa Lucia Chapter of the Sierra Club, thinks the best way to protect the area is to designate it as wilderness. Senator Cranston has called Middo the “father of the bill” to create a wilderness area in Lopes Canyon.

The bills contends that the Lopes area meets all criteria for wilderness classification. It has said it has no imperfection, no permanent roads or improvements “with the impromptu man’s work substantially unnoticeable.”

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Only 10 percent voted: apathy to be discussed

The rather languid politics of engineering and technology students will frown down hill.

Tight budget—bad education?

Do stringent budget conditions affect the quality of education?

During a questionnaire campaign this week the local chapter of United Professors of California will be directing itself to that question, according to John Lowry, president of the local UP.

Lowry said the organization is circulating a questionnaire among students in an effort to determine the affect of budget conditions of the past few years on the quality of education.

The questionnaire, composed of 50 questions, offers three possible answers for each. They range from “has not occurred” to “has occurred with serious adverse effects.”

Tables will be manned from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the College Union Plaza and in front of the library.

Thursday during a meeting called by their dean, students will gather in Chumash auditorium during College Hour to hear A.1. presidential hopefuls Paul Patanezzi and Robin Baggett speak on the apathy problem.

The concourse is Dean Archie Higdon’s reaction to the ten percent turnout in the recent SAC representative election within his School of Engineering and Technology.

According to the school council’s chairman, Dave Vaughn, only 300 of the school’s 2,200 students voted in the election. Shortly after the voting results were learned, explained Vaughn, he met with the dean and planned the meeting.

The two political hopefuls will be allowed to speak under new rules passed by SAC permitting candidates to speak to student groups prior to the official campaign time. Under the new rules candidates can present their views on topics for gatherings at which they speak. They cannot make direct bids for votes.

The current A1 President Pete Evans will also speak.

Washington (UPI) — Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, in a speech he compared with his speech last year under the press of two years ago, accused some persons Tuesday of “anti-intellectual yahoos” that breed contempt of thought and indifference of one’s opinion.

“There can be no more dangerous form of anti-intellectualism than the kind practiced by highly educated, self-righteous intellectuals who consider themselves superior to the point of intimidation,” Agnew told the New Capitol Hill Club in a prepared speech.

“A notorious example of these academic yahoos,” he said, were the antiwar and other dissidents who disrupted a convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in Philadelphia last December, at which Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey, D-Minn., was pelted with tomatoes as he tried to speak. Agnew also faulted association officials for allowing the incident to occur.

“I cannot comprehend the notion that a political rally is a political event. It is not. It cannot be,” Agnew said.

“The vice president questioned what he said was a trend toward ‘interpretation rather than the objective’ in research publications and textbooks.

“Unless checked,” he said, “such opinion imbalance, similar to which affects our national news media, holds ominous implications.”

Outpost purse was tightened

The A1 Finance Committee drew the purse strings tighter on the vice president’s campaign. They denied the request of Outpost magazine for nearly $150 at Monday night’s meeting. The contingency fund now stands at $400. This amount is a drop to $8,500 in the near future with anticipated requests. Nearly half the funds were remaining in the contingency fund have been approved for use by the Finance Committee during the last two weeks.

In other action, the committee approved two budget extension requests by the Film Committee and the Outings Committee.
EDITORIAL

Students may lose in computer system

The goals of efficiency and equal priority may soon deliver another part of our college lives into the cold hands of a computer.

Past widespread student complaints about the sweat and hassle of registration, spiced with unofficial administrative urgings, have indicated a partial interest in computer registration. But the question arises in the minds of others as to the tender loving care that the pilot technological program could deliver for the individual student’s schedule.

Essentially, are the advantages of a computer registration system so numerous as to depressingly one more chore, taking class planning away from the students? Mustang Sally says no.

Who wants to have a computer decide when he will take a class? Who wants to make out a schedule and pay fees over two months before a quarter begins? Who can make a judgement as to his top priority class? Those are part of the drawbacks to the system. Additionally, junior transfer and new students, under the current proposal, would be shifted into a cleanup registration.

Efforts would be made to supply students their choice of time and instructor for desired classes, but failing this an attempt would be made to give the student any section of the same class, regardless of time and instructor. This signifies potential increase hassles to students with work schedules.

There are other drawbacks to the proposed restrictive computer registration system. There are also advantages, including a speedier registration process for the individual student and partial guarantee of certain classes within a student’s schedule. Are the advantages enough to warrant a switch to an experimental system?

Pres. Rbht. Kennedy will probably make the ultimate decision. Academic Council has already endorsed computer registration and the Academic Senate has not acted. Tonight Student Affairs Council may submit a recommendation. Considering the affects upon the individual students, SAC should vote no.

Rip-off victim loves and forgives

Editor:

To the person who was in need of the book, Introduction to Probability and Statistics, third edition by Mendenhall and Sincich, that he or she found on the shelves between 1:30 and 9 a.m., last Friday. I am happy to have met that need. I am not asking that the book be returned or that you pay for it, in fact, I forgive you for taking it. The reason I forgive you is because someone has forgiven me for every time I mess up. I can love you and help meet your need because this someone loves me unconditionally and meets my needs every day. I’m sure you have more needs than just the stat book. The needs of a meaning to life and a plan of life are just two of the needs this person will fulfill. All it takes is simply admitting the need for forgiveness and asking for the needs of your heart. There is no special place to find this person, just ask wherever you happen to be. The person is Jesus Christ. The results are beyond comprehension. Love, forgiveness, the fulfilling of needs and more.

Jesus said, “I came that they might have life and might have it abundantly.” Believe It! It’s a promise!

Randy Leath
Leadership confab gives chance to cross barriers

An unusual opportunity to communicate across cultural barriers will be offered to students and the intercultural leadership conference at Fresno State College, according to Dr. Richard Miller, a counselor on this campus and co-leader for the conference.

"The conference will be one of the most significant efforts of this college to promote understanding between foreign and American students," said Miller. The conference will begin with dinner at 5 p.m. Friday evening and will conclude on Sunday at 11 a.m. Small group discussions and activities and a chance for participants to view the four and one-half acre site at the old lighthouse station, located six miles north of Hearst Castle.

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Golf team loses again; will play at Vandenberg

Statistics are catching up to the Mustang golf team as all of the last six matches have gone up in smoke. The two most recent of those losses were suffered courtesy of UC Santa Barbara and Fresno State.

Neither of the matches was closely contested. The Gauchos from Santa Barbara shocked on the locals, 18-10, here last Monday. The home forces had lost to both teams earlier this season.

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Seale's talk successful

Fourteen-hundred people turned out to hear Black Panther speaker Bobby Seale, whose speech, according to Program Counselor David Tasta, ranked among "the highest of ALL-sponsored speakers in the history of Cal Poly".

Seale was paid $3,000 to visit the campus and AGI got $1,006 of it back from what Tasta deemed "exceptionally large audience.

We expect to make back only half of what we pay," said Tasta.

The present budget of the Speakers Forum demands a three to one ratio. Two-thirds of the money paid to speakers must be made back to meet the demands of the budget. New budget plans have been submitted to the Finance Committee for the coming year in which the budget would operate on a two to one ratio.

When asked if the Finance Committee would consider the proposal, Tasta replied, "I think they're sensitive to it now."

Tasta indicated that the trend of ALL-sponsored speakers is slowly changing from big-name types to a seminar type. Instead of engaging a speaker talk to a passive audience, a relevant issue will be chosen and several authorities will engage in a panel discussion of it.

The next AVI sponsored speaker will be Banat Friedman, who will speak and present slides on the topic "Flying Saucers are Real!" on May 18.

Baseball, tennis cancelled due to rainy weather

Tuesday's baseball game with UC Santa Barbara was cancelled due to the rainy weather as was the tennis match that was to have been played in Fresno.

The next A8I sponsored speaker will be Stanton Friedman, who will speak and present slides on the topic "Flying Saucers are Real!" on May 18.