Ford: Nixon offers 'clearing evidence'

WASHINGTON UPI—Vice President Gerald R. Ford said Tuesday Nixon Administration partisans have knowledge of the Watergate break-in or any subsequent cover-up efforts.

In his first news conference he held today, the President paid tribute to the Senate Watergate Committee which helped Nixon with the coverage.

Ford said: "I spent time talking to the President about Watergate yesterday and I know from our conversation that the President and no prior knowledge of the Watergate break-in or had any part in the coverage, " said Ford.

"It seemed to me that his knowledge was confirmed with a statement by Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott that he had informed the President of the man's wrongdoing in some respects of the Watergate raids," Ford said. "I have not seen those transcripts.

Later, Ford said, "The President volunteered to show it to me. It was part of our discussion yesterday but I have no time to see it," leaving unclear whether there was one more transcript.

Scott, who said only that he had information that President Nixon of wrongdoing in some aspects of the Watergate raids. Ford said, "I have not seen those transcripts."

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Robertson and the American Bar Association approved a bill to make temporary parking lots. The bill would require a campus election, a recommendation that Parking Lot 84 across Great Avenue from Yosemite Hall be expanded. The bill also will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the California State University and Colleges Student Presidents Association.

The Robberman report is expected to deal with bills now under study in the Assembly which Halley says could raise fees for students here or impose tuition on campus last quarter.

Workers may pick up W-2s

Statement of Earnings (W-2) Forms for all university employees are now available from the Payroll Services Office. Employees who have not yet received their forms and faculty will be mailed within the next few days.

Pick-up for student employees is scheduled for Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Student Services Building, U.C. room 118 for Foundation payroll employees, and Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Student Services Building, Room 118 for Foundation payroll employees.
Letters

Smoking pollution mars concert

Editor:

Last Saturday night, during the Brown-Honatadt concert, a few thousand other people were subjected to a situation which for me was, "The word that breaks the soul's heart." Although the usher by the doors held ashtrays in hand, paper towels and empty ashtrays prevailed. NON-SMOKING and no-smoking ordinances were posted plainly in sight on the ticket lines, of an audience, which sprawled the crowd as the lights dimmed.

To the people attending the concert there is no need to describe the foul smelling pall of smoke which soon settled on the crowd. To those who did attend, I can assure you it was nearly unbearable. There are several considerations which should be brought to the minds of either the smoking or non-smoking industries, blindly ignorant or the blantly irresponsible voters in question.

1. Fire Hazard—Not as much for the wood benches and rusted floor as for the clothes of others and the panic which any fire could create in a large crowd.

2. Destruction of property—Cigarette burns on the floor mar the rugs and surfaces and may cause the wood beneath to flake. The last time the floor was searched it cost the school about $1,300.

3. Visibility is Obscured—Not only is there a visible haze associated with large amounts of smoke, but it also has a tendency to irritate eyes.

4. Health Hazard—The inadequacy of the ventilation system in the gym allowed the entire crowd, non-smokers and smokers alike, to be affected by the same hazards when enclosed in a smoke filled space, a finding recently reported by the U.S. Surgeon General.

5. Environmental responsibility—It is ambiguous that someone could listen sympathetically to speeches pertaining to the "preservation" of the environment and then contribute to the pollution of the people's gym.

The answer to this problem does not include making our own member concert committees run after smokers in the crowd. It does require a shared sense of common courtesy on the part of individuals smoking attending future Cal Poly functions. David Watts

Student echoes disillusionment

Editor: I saw Earl Butts speak last Thursday and what a bunch of useless crap. With Earl Butts' agricultural policy and economics we are in for trouble. We as a student community have many questions to ask, but Secretary Butts didn't seem willing or very interested to listen to questions.

We have many problems not only as consumers and workers of this country. Those wayward and secretary Butts is far from realistic if he is not ready to listen to our questions, but more importantly to listen to the opinions. If Secretary Butts can't even do this much he will have hard time solving today's agricultural problems.

Ed Mendes

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"My sun sets to rise again"

Robert Browning

Photos by Scott Harrison
OUTSIDING SINGERS—The Up With People cast show their spirit during a performance. Communicating with the audience using more than language, they try to involve everyone in the show.

by P. W. Herriott

Modern minstrelsy might be a pastime for the Up With People performers. There is a celebration of life in song. For the first 17 or 18-year-old performance, the show is much more than a job requiring one night stands all over the world. It is their life for a year, as long as they can take the pace. They don’t do it for money; in fact, they pay $3,000 per year tuition for the privilege of performing. The money they take in just helps pay the group’s expenses.

The young minstrels didn’t come into the business via a talent scout or as an agency. They came from audiences all over America and the world. They’re just people that liked the Up With People show and demonstrated a willingness to work long hours with no pay to spread that spirit around. “What we play doesn’t compare to what we get out of the group,” reported Laura Kediger, a cast member. “We get to travel with people and experience the world.”

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Old fiction but new thrills

by F.W. Herman

A good book, like a fine wine or a gourmet dish, leaves a lingering aftertaste that persistently draws one to re-sample it. In this day of the worn-out plot and the stock characters, it is indeed a pleasure to be able to pull an old favorite from the shelf and say hello to a familiar but no less exciting adventure as a rare occurrence to find a book that even readers re-read.

Such a rarity is A Fall Of Moondust by Arthur C. Clarke, renowned author of science fiction and science fact. This is a unique book in that the speculative fiction it presents, even though mostly inspired by modern advancements, is still fresh and stimulating story.

The main characters of A Fall Of Moondust is the story of an attempt to rescue a very unusual place. Picture, if you will, a group of tourists on a sightseeing excursion aboard a craft named Moondust which propels itself on the surface of a moon of air. This vessel’s journey is over a mountainous region of dust only a fraction of an inch in height, much the feature of the Moon where the balance lies her trade under the protection of the United Statesbtnsion Commission.

The most unusual respite is seen the Sea of Thrills in Cruiser Lake in the Mountains of Eart-month, a place that usually takes about four hours but an earth-month, or more precisely a moon-month, forever the vessel into a subterranean whirlpool. The rising tide of dust bloated out the last glimpse of the open Earth, in darkness and in silence, they were sinking into the Moon.

What follows is a science fiction tale that must have been in the reader's mind at the time. Clarke deems these tales as authentic as a text-book, and suspends that suspension for a reason. Clarke is a genius at creating an atmosphere of tension and suspense that few others can accomplish. Clarke’s characters are with a sense of impending doom.

The novel undergoes a series of disasters such as a leaking oxygen supply, fire, flood, and panic. The characters fight through these disasters and then the reader feels real satisfaction when the resourcers attempt to save their lives.

An extraordinary effort of an excellent author. A Fall Of Moondust by A. Clarke, a physicist and chairman of the British Interplanetary Society, illustrates the wisdom of the subject he treats. The story is as real as a newspaper front page of the day, but the facts as authentic as a text-book. However, A Fall Of Moondust was written in 1929 so the reader must make some allowances for the changes in science that have been made during intervening years. If you want a good sci-fi, turn to the book and find out for yourself.
Year's top songs up for Grammys

Then you should consider these interesting and important facts about Pratt & Whitney Aircraft. Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, Inc., H. Gray, president and chief executive officer of United Aircraft Corporation, has announced an objective to double sales through the end of the decade. Pratt & Whitney Aircraft is the largest division of United Aircraft Corporation, and accounts for a major portion of the company's sales. We expect to share in this growth...and share materially. Here's how we why...

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This Week’s Movies
by Rick Goulart

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A Touch of Class
The Emigrants
Jonathan Livingston Seagull
Sometimes a Great Hut
Charlot of the G deep

The Optimist

Channah Jordon
Pantages Theatre
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Russet Drive-In
Russet Drive-In
Chicago Theatre

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Motion picture viewing now begins its annual pre-
Christmas slowdown, as Hollywood prepares for that big
winter business with a host of mediocre films.

This week we only get three new films. The rest
are repeats of successes from the past.

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Of all the films opening locally this week, "Lady
Sings the Blues," is the third to come around in your best
bet.

The film, loosely based on the tragic story of jazz
singer Billie Holiday, is first rate. The character and
the music are handled magnificently, portraying that
legendary figure in her heyday, then her descent to
sterility and misery.

A boisterous song-and-dance number in the trade
papers last week the Oscar for film music to Lenin
Meets Frank from "Carnegie." Lenin Meets Frank is expected to
iver the top prize yet many feel that the balance could
swing to "Lady Sings the Blues."

The film is total entertainment every way you look at it. A story of woe and modern jazz at its
mill. It will play on Friday night only at 7:30 and
9:30 p.m. in Channah.

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What might be a possible contender for this year's
Oscar nod in the Best Chinese production, "A Touch
of Class". At least most people do think that it's as
well at the Academy Awards.

A Touch of Class is predictable love story is a
lot much and the bag-eyed acting of its star George
Buck isn't all outstanding.

Yet the film has its merits in Glenda Jackson. The
actress that by between the two stars instills
memories of Katherine Hepburn and Cary
Grant at their best. The success of the film lies
here.

Already it has received three Golden Globe award
nominations from the Hollywood Foreign Press for
Best Picture, Actor and Actress.

Everyone was looking forward to the release of a film from
Sweden about Swedish immigrants into America, would
do as well at the Academy Awards.

Feminist crowned pope

New York (UPI) - About 60
Veterans of the women's movement
demanded their opponents to the
Church's stand on abortion
Tuesday by crowning a woman "pope"
appeal over the steps of St.
Patrick's Cathedral.

The New "pope," Pat Fogarty
McQuillan, delivered her first
"encyclical" wearing a white
paper crown with the insignia of
the Women's Liberation
movement and blessed the
demonstrators with the name of
the mother, the daughter, and the
grandmother.

St. McQuillan is a diminutive
blonde in mid-40's, a former
court reporter who used to
abortion is a solid political tool of
women's groups, a woman in a
church ruled by a hierarchy of
men's men.

The mother of a 10-year-old
dughter and legally separated
from her husband, she said she
was a practicing Catholic in the
parish of St. Jean Baptiste in New
York but "I'll probably be married
some day."

She is president and founder of
Catholics for a Free Choice
which did not support the
convention.

Catholics for a Free Choice, which
demands a national membership of
4,000, placed a wreath of white
roses on the cathedral steps
in memory of all women the
church has caused to die because
laws of the United States," according
to the group's spokesman.

The crowd outside St. Patrick's was
generally interested in the
demonstrators, but there were a
few hecklers. One woman told the
new pope she didn't qualify
"because you're not from the
northern Italy."

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The Mustang basketball team hosted UC Davis on Thursday. The game was expected to be a tough match, with the Mustangs aiming to prove they are a team to be reckoned with.

Coach Verna Hitchock is optimistic about Thursday's match with Oklahoma State, but is in a quandary:

"We've just concluded six matches in eight days. It was a rugged test for us, both mentally and physically. The boys are looking forward to the Oklahoma State match, but they need rest and recuperation," Hitchock admitted, a few days ago.

When asked yesterday, Hitchock hinted that the team was in great shape regarding injuries.

The problem is sickness. Keith Kelbrook has the flu and missed practice on Monday. As I talked to Hitchock, freshman sensation Len Lannard came into the coach's office and looked like he had just finished running 10 miles.

The Mustangs are off to a good start in the CCAA. Hitchock will be in town to meet the press and discuss the team's first victory over UC Davis.

The short road trip will be a good test for the Mustangs who will visit the University of Oklahoma on Friday night. Hitchock rates UC Davis as a team to be reckoned with, but he is confident the Mustangs can pull off a victory.

"This Cal Poly team has amazed me. I thought we would probably take a little longer to develop their game plan. With more time, we'll be able to build on our good start," Hitchock said.

With impressive wins over Iowa State and Oregon State, it's pretty safe to say that the Mustangs have arrived at the season level of basketball excellence. They have been a surprise team this year, and their success has been due to their solid team play and tenacious defense.

But the match with Oklahoma State may turn out to be a major test for the Mustangs. They have key men injured and are facing a team that is traditionally a number-one or number-two team in the nation.

I'm sure the Mustangs will take this into account when they meet Oklahoma State. It's a match that will bring out the best in both teams.

"The Mustangs are a tough team, but we need to be more consistent," Hitchock added.

Hitchock said the Mustangs displayed a strong defense in their match with UCLA. UCLA made the comment on the victory over UC Davis after a hard-fought battle.

"The UCLA match was a pressure match for us. It was the big match of the year for the Bruins. We were looking forward to coming out on top. Superior play by the Mustangs in the UCLA match was a major factor in our victory," Hitchock said.

The Mustangs will be facing two tough teams that are expected to challenge them in the next few matches.

"The El Camino victory was definitely a morale booster," Hitchock said.

The Mustangs are already well on their way to a successful season, and they are looking forward to the challenge that lies ahead.