Jocks unite in support of PE merger

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Limit instead of ban

The administration overreacted when it placed the 3-4 hour ban on skateboard riders in the area surrounded by North and South Perimeter Roads, the academic core, and University Square. As Chief George Cockriel of the University Police pointed out, can be a menace to the people who live on campus. They have two legal parking permits, two legal skateboards, and a prime skateboard riding area, and many smooth, free riding surfaces. But the 34-hour week-long ban, a new one to provide on-campus parking to those students paying for it, was issued to cover them. As a result, many prime skateboard riding areas are off-limits, and much of the skateboard traffic is concentrated around the dorms.

But the 34-hour ban deprives skateboard riders of many smooth, free riding surfaces on campus that don't endanger the safety of the people around them. The administration must feel there are more people around the core than there are around the dorms. However, this doesn't fit with what Donald Coats, associate dean of educational services, believes. In his position Coats is in charge of scheduling classes and he has all of the statistics concerning class enrollment. When asked how many people attend class after 5 p.m. Coats admitted he didn't know. "Nobody ever asked us that question before," he said.

Coats did guess, however, that the after 5 p.m. enrollment was under 500 students. There are currently 2703 people living in the dorms.

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Superior court ruling upholds student unemployment benefits

A UCLA student fighting for unemployment insurance benefits in spite of the fact that her school work did not make her eligible for full-time employment, has won her case in a Superior Court. Judge Lawrence Karlton upheld the Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board's ruling that said a student who could only accept part-time work which didn't interfere with classes could be eligible for unemployment benefits.

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House denies tax credit for tuition

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Legislation granting up to $1.1 billion in tax credits for college tuition died quietly in the House Wednesday.

The bill was killed when Rep. Fortney Stark, D. Calif., objected to a request by House Ways and Means Chairman Al Ullman that the bill go to conference with the Senate on the minor tax bill to which the tuition credit had been attached.

According to House sources, the move was intended to kill the bill without actually bringing the popular measure to a House vote. In an election year, it would have been difficult to vote against such a measure.

However, House tax writers decided that the bill was far too costly to the hard-pressed federal budget - $1.1 billion a year when fully effective - and the Ullman Stark move effectively killed the bill without controversy.

The action was taken quickly and quietly on a bill giving "aid to Smith College," and it was decided that many House members knew what had happened.

The tuition credit had been included in the Senate version of a major tax revision bill, but was dropped in a conference committee. The Senate then reviewed it, attaching it to the minor Smith College bill.

In the first year, 1979, the credit would have been the first $100 of each expense. This would have increased to $150 in 1980, $200 in 1981 and $250 in 1982 and later years.

Many members of the House Ways and Means Committee said they liked the general idea, but did not think the Treasury could stand the cash drain, ranging from $647 million the first year to $1.1 billion in 1981.

The legislation "would have allowed parents or students to deduct directly from their tax bills a portion of tuition, books and fees for college or vocational schools.

"In the past, to be eligible to collect unemployment money availability to work full-time was a requirement. UCLA student Enid Ballantyne attended law school and supported herself and three children by working part-time, and was denied unemployment benefits because she didn't meet the legal qualifications since her classes would interfere with full-time work.

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Women to push for equality

by ELENA KOSTER

Daily Associate Editor

In response to recent sex discrimination legislation, Cal Poly will be merging the Women's and Men's Physical Education departments. In the beginning it looked like one of those situations where the answer recreated the problem.

The women fought to postpone the merger, scheduled for 1977, hoping to obtain equality between the departments first. They expressed fear that any inequalities would be covered over in the merger. The new multi-page memo from Vice-President Kennedy's office calling for a merger by 1977 has put the Women's minds at ease.

"The statement from the president showed a great amount of research and preparation. No pie in the sky, but based on facts," said Mary Lou White, women's department head said.

In preparation for the merger the women will push for equal hiring. About three times the number of men hired as PE teachers as women.

"Some of the courses for Women's PE majors have been taught through the man's department. The philosophies differ somewhat. Before the current merger we would like to see some progress in the hiring situation," White said.

By 1977 the curriculum for physical education will settle the sex breakdowns in the present catalog.

There will be exceptions in the contact recreation courses and the intramural sports program.

Another advancement the women are making in the merger is seen in a new proposal to add women and locker rooms to the men's gym. Only women teach classes in the men's gym, although many co-ed classes are taught.

Plans include the creation of a women's athletic director, a position that will be equivalent to the one held by Yancey. The proposal further that a women's athletic director will be an associate to the man's athletic director.

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**Title IX edict leads to shotgun marriage of Poly PE departments**

The merger puts together two segments that are working toward the same goal: educating young people.

by BETSY SUBMAN

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**Men view merger as time of growth**

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**Women's PE head favors merger**

Men's PE department head, Robert Mott, agrees with the merger. He has been at Cal Poly 30 years — long enough to see both departments function separately and as a team.

"The merger will allow better use of facilities and better use of staff," Mott says. "I'm positive about this," he says. "In 1970, there was an administrative decision to merge. I'm for it."

"There will be a period of overlap, of give and take," Mott adds. "But the changes are all for the good of the program. The students should benefit."

Jones places the fate of the PE program on the person chosen to direct the merged department. The appointed head will have broad power and will be able to dictate decisions, he feels. The responsibilities will include Women's and Men's Intramural and graduate programs.

Currently, a nation-wide search is under way to fill the position.

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The Bible that sounds brand new

LONDON (UPI) - God works his miracles in mysterious ways - in meters and liters - according to the Good News Bible.

The new Bible, billed as "today's English Version" and tipped as a runway best seller when it goes on sale next month, shows God knows how many centimeters there are in a meter and up on his metric measures of wine.

He told Noah, according to the updated version, how to build the ark.

"Make it 153 meters long, 32 meters wide and 15 meters high. Take a rectum for the bow and leave a space of 44 centimeters between the roof and the sides."

In the book of Exodus, the Good News Bible has God telling Aaron about the daily sacrifice of two lambs and says "with the first lamb offer one kilogram of fine wheat flour mixed with one liter of pure olive oil. Pour out one liter of wine as an offering."

A spokesman for the publishers, Collins and the Bible Society, said "converting measurement in the Bible to the metric system seemed the natural thing to do for a modern audience."

No more do readers puzzle over the height of Goliath, the champion warrior of the Philistines, recorded in the old Authorized Version as "six cubits and a span tall" while his arm or weighed "8,000 dwtels of brass."

Today's Bible notes Goliath towered "nearly three meters with his horn a weighty "91 kilogram."

The verse becomes "bread without yeast" in further attempts at simplifying the Bible.

The new Bible acknowledges "woman's place is still in the home."

The old version quoted God as saying "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and his life is full of trouble."

The new Bible observes: "We are all born weak and helpless."

Be that as it may, the Bible still says "Woman is bar name forming woman from the rib of man."

"Woman is her name because she was taken out of man," the Bible says. Also woman's place is still the home."

"It will, increase your trouble in pregnancy and your pain in giving birth."

In the face of this, you still will have desire for your husband, yet you will be subject to him."

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New track coach offers ideas

by CRAIG REEM
Daily Sports Editor

Anyone who wants to be a coach has with him a set of goals and rules. New track and field and cross country coach Steve Miller brought to Poly his philosophies gained by the diverse history of his athletic experiences.

Miller played football at Bradley University in Illinois. He ran track on the side. Following his junior year, he was drafted by the Detroit Lions. He turned them down and opted to finish his college career.

"In my senior year," Miller said, "I was injured in the first game and lost all feeling from my right knee down."

The injury severed all the nerves in Miller's knee. With no feeling in his right foot — there still isn't none — Miller had to learn to walk again. He wears a plastic case when he walks and a steel brace when he runs.

After the injury, ending any thoughts of an athletic career, Miller turned to coaching and found track the most interesting.

He landed a job at Bloom Township High School in Chicago Heights and was track coach there for 11 years, seven of which as head coach. In addition, Miller coached the sophomore football team for three years, leading the Trojans to a conference championship each time.

He was Illinois High School Coach-of-the-Year three times.

"The high school had 600 students," Miller said Tuesday. "It is a multicultural school. We had the number one poverty community in the state of Illinois come to our school. They were kids of the factory workers and transient farm workers."

Commenting on some of his experiences at Bloom, Miller related a halftime locker room story. He was giving a pep talk and one of the players fell asleep. The 15-year-old worked nine hours a night, four days a week.

"One track kid came to a meet distraught," Miller added. "I asked him what was wrong and he said his house burned down. But he came because he thought I'd be mad if he didn't show up."

Miller said his coaching techniques vary from other coaches. "One thing we have to learn from coaching and

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Football blues

by CRAIG REED
Daily Sports Editor

As most students begin thinking of another September and the beginning of the school year, the football player unpacks his bags and digs into the hot dirt, ready to start conditioning.

Aside from the ego-building cry of "I am a football player," his work is not easy. He gets up early during the summer and the beginning of September and the beginning of the season in order to get into the hot dirt, ready to start conditioning.

The team breaks into groups according to positions. Huddling together for security, they look over game films. As the screen flashes play after play of groups according to positions, there are meetings with coaches. The coach yells. He is not happy.

Practices yield few well-executed plays. A trap gets into the hot dirt, ready to start conditioning. All fails. These plays call for clean, the shoes polished. A name is announced over the loudspeaker. A player runs out into the field to accept his introduction. Some players run out slowly and confidently; some run out pounding their helmets like so many crazed men.

Thousands cheer and moan as the home team scores or loses the ball. A starter hurt! Quick, here's his replacement. He knows the play, a pass to him. The pass is thrown. He is open! Touchdown!

The crowd is pleased. The sweat of yesterday, the pain of tomorrow is imminent.

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New track coach

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teaching is that I don't think we have the responsibility to give all the answers, but provide alternatives," Miller feels a coach and teacher should take into consideration that there are other value systems separate from his own that must be respected.

"It's different coming from Chicago and teaching here," Miller said. "We understand, approaches and expectations are different.

"My philosophy in coaching (track) is that you deal as one to one basis," Miller continued. "You get into a person more and deal with it problems better. As opposed to field, I have to worry about 12 different people doing different things." Miller's long range plan in sports was to find a college job. Two years ago he met former Cal Poly track coach Ross Simmons in Africa. Miller was working for the State department there. When Simmons contacted Miller last about the track opening, he applied.

In coaching at the college level as opposed to high school level, Miller said the major differences are a college athlete has much more material. Also, he has had high school experience. For Miller, this can be a plus or minus, depending on the quality of the program an athlete has come from.

Questioned on how a coach learns all the nuances of trail events, Miller commented, "I have given clinics in the United States, Africa, Europe and two communist countries (Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia). So I've been able to sit in and listen to some of the greatest track people in the world."