A new kiddy corner
Cloud seeding controversy

Cloud seeding, if not cautiously evaluated and carefully endorsed and implemented by federal agencies and commercial seeding companies, may shower western mountain ranges with many of these "unanticipated and irreversible" problems.

Several problems have already begun to surface regarding seeding and they stretch beyond the natural boundaries of cloud seeding to the resulting environmental effects, into the ethics of weather modification.

At a recent western governors' conference in Denver, the Idaho State Attorney General warned Idaho wouldn't hesitate to file suit against any state that actively engages in cloud seeding, prematurely inducing rainfall that would have reached our state sooner.

Although no suit has reached the courts yet, the mere contemplation of prosecuting a new breed of western "water rustlers"—exposes the "unanticipated and irreversible" problems.

The two-year drought that has left people from Nebraska to Portland parched and parched and parched and parched, legislation through the clock to perfect a controversial method—cloud seeding.

Minister of the seeding.

Prolonged drought. The increased snow in some areas has brought further profit erosion of farm harvests and increased the demand from the Department of Agriculture for immediate implementation of funds for immediate implementation of seeding programs—cloud seeding—"a full speed ahead" course for cloud seeding implementation programs.

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Several western governors in recent weeks have been forced to lead legislative through state houses appropriating emergency funds for immediate implementation of seeding—in the face of diminishing resources and a further erosion of farm harvests and productive land. Unwholesome practices such as the use of seeding clouds to form ice crystals. The clouds get bigger with crystals, then prematurely release precipitation in the form of snow, hail or rain, depending on the presence of various meteorological variables at the time of the seeding.

Several governors, who have praised the potential of cloud seeding, now actively are advocating the same exacting emergency legislation as a form of self-protection. Inadequate evidence is simply used to buttress arguments for "full speed ahead". But what many people have failed to realize is that an editorial written in the March 9 edition by the editor of the "Idaho Statesman" was quite upset by the misinformation being printed in Wednesday's paper.

It was very obvious that Mr. Reem has not done very much research on the current issue of child abuse. The facts that were stated in his editorial were very outdated and incorrect. I have done the last two and half weeks doing some thorough research on the subject of child abuse and was quite upset by the misinformation presented in Wednesday's paper.

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Debate teaches debaters an art

By JACOB DEGRAFF

Debate teaches debaters an art that can last a lifetime. According to Dr. Harry McFarlin, assistant professor in speech communications and director of Cal Poly’s debate squad, “Debate helps you think and write and develop self-confidence.”

Many UC students want stiffer requirements

While some UC system wants stiffer requirements, others are lenient. For example, UC Santa Barbara requires all students to take a composition class. However, UC Berkeley does not require students to take a writing course. Instead, students must complete a general education requirement in writing.

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Project playground: A successful reality

by ELENA-MARIE KOSTER

Daily Amerian Editor

Through a senior project five architecture majors have made a lasting effect on the community of Nipomo.

The elementary school playground there is changing from the conventional steel play facilities to a park-like design with wood equipment.

All of this is being done with community support, community donations and community participation.

The community surprised the five students—Paul Camarena, Gene Cheek, Steve Cox, Dennis Dickinson and Steve Hall—by gathering enough funds and workers to construct the entire playground as it was designed. Originally the students had planned to construct only one of the structures on the site and leave the rest of the plans for future development.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held last Saturday and a day's worth of work followed both days of the weekend.

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Architecture majors Steve Cox, left, and Gene Cheek, right, give instructions to Tom Alberson, who donated his time and bulldozer to help make the students' Nipomo playground project a reality.

The playground was constructed partly as a result of community involvement, below. (Daily photo by Bill Faulkner)

The $8,000 covers most of the material cost, but more money will need to be raised for the complete amount. All labor is being donated. Telephone poles and trees—two main elements in the playground—were donated from a variety of businesses in Nipomo and the surrounding area. Architecture instructor, Paul Wolff, advisor to the project said: "If this project were out to bid to be built commercially it would cost $50,000—and that's a conservative estimate."
A about the capacity to accommodate
11,500 FTE students, according
Cal Poly is being over-
utilized at the rate of 20 per
cent.

Gerard says chemistry laboratories are the most
critically over-used facilities, although biology,
agriculture, architecture and engineering facilities are also
over-utilized.

Some new buildings are
being planned in order to
eliminate the over-
utilization.

The Cyril P. Fisher
Science Hall is under con-
struction and is scheduled
to be completed in 1978. The
hall, which will be used for
life sciences, will cost $4.8
million and will contain 19
laboratories, three lecture
theatres, offices and support-
ing facilities. Gerard says the
life sciences laboratories
currently in use will be
allocated to the Chemistry
Department. When life
sciences moves to the new
hall.

Three additional
buildings are now in the
planning stages: one for
engineering, one for
agriculture and one for
home economics.

Gerard does not know if
Cal Poly will receive funds
for all three buildings. He
says the state may not want
to grant the funds because
the college-age population is
decreasing. Counties such
as San Benito, where school
enrollment is declining, can
receive funds for new build-
ings. When the college boom
does run its course, Cal Poly
may no longer be able to
accommodate the 15,000
students currently enrolled.

Gerard thinks the $8,000
system-wide deficiency may
also lessen Cal Poly's chances
of receiving funds for the new
buildings.

"Legislators aren't likely
to allocate funds for new
construction at Cal Poly
when 15,000 students can be
accommodated at other
camuses," he said.

Gerard stresses that if the
new buildings are con-
structed, the campus will not
be able to accommodate
more than 15,000 FTE students.
The buildings will not increase
Cal Poly's instructional
capacity, they will only increase
the 10 per cent over-utilization.

Woodside Gardens was designed and
is maintained for students interested
in a quiet place of residence.
The dream has ended; hoopers lose, 67-64

BY SCOTT CRAVEN
Daily Staff Writer

The playoff bubble has burst. The Cal Poly hoopters, riding high off a win over defending NCAA Division II champions Pacific Sound, were shocked back reality as they fell to UC Riverside, 67-64, by the University of North Alabama Thursday through Saturday in Norman, Okla.

As far as placing in the nationals include 292-pound freshman Roger Flook (111), senior Roger Flook (111) and senior Dan Hayes (194), junior Ron McKinney (190), senior Ron McKinney (190), freshman Robert Kid- dery (190), senior Kim Weiss (190), senior Sydell Thomas (190), senior Chris Anaya (190), and senior Dan Hayes (190).

The Mustang's last shot was blocked and the game was sent into overtime.

Poly drew first blood in the extra period when Kerl banked in a 10-footer with just over a minute gone. Boddie continued to haunt the Mustangs as Jones was guilty of holding the ball. That sent him to the line but he missed the first of the one and one. Poly came down with the ball, had one of its innumerable chances of setting lightning it go.

This time it was the patient Lions defense that forced the Mustangs into a turnover, one of their only live for the game. "In a play that really hurt us" according to Wheeler, Kerl was cited for walking with the ball. That gave it back to UNA along with another chance, and who better than Boddie to take advantage of it.

The high-point man of the two more of his 12 points to add to his 11-shot total. Forty seconds later, Kerl was going in the hoop. The Lions lost a 17-17 lead and turned it into just one to give Poly a 64-63 lead. The man to take a foul on the UNA's next possession. It was a foul at Copeland was hit by a de-fense. Instead of the easy layup, Kerl decided to make the free throw.

Unfortunately, it was this time out at Thursday to Friday's Tana Beyers at the local Twin Cinema.

OUT AT THURSDAY is Poly's Tom Bewley against UC Riverside.

Poly nine drop twin bill to Riverside

When a man hangs out his hat in a doubleheader, a sweep seems to be in order. The Mustangs collected his hat and there was a sweep, but Cal Poly was on the short end.

- The hosting UC Riverside Highlanders came away with 7-4 and 7-5 wins Saturday while connecting on 17-18 singles. That dropped the Mustangs' CCAA record to 8-5 while being 10-9 overall.

Poly was the first on the board in the opener when Omar Smith led off with a double and scored on a wild pitch. The Highlanders went in front in the fourth on two singles and a triple, but the Mustangs came right back with one of their own when Eric Peterson doubled and Tom Moshich singled the game home.

A three-run shot being locked it up for two of the runners on home. Peterson bunted the solo shot in the sixth but it wasn't enough. The Highlanders not a four-run home run in the first frame of the night's win that one going out.

The bag Mustangs went to the three-run shot.
Track’s weekend

It had to go down to the hut event, but the Cal Poly track team finally prevailed 91-81 over Hayward State Friday. With only the 5,000 meter and 1600 meter relay left to run, the Pioneers owned a four point lead. That was quickly erased when Muatangi Jim Warrick, Anthony Reynoao and Bryan Tracy swept the 5,000. That gave Poly a five-point advantage going into the last events.

The best Hayward State could do was tie, but the Mustangs weren’t going to let this one go. The team of Jeff Meneer, Jeff Weigel, Kevin Eaton and Anthony Reynoao won by more than a second to account for the final score.

Poly, almost conceding the field event, received an upset win from Paul Toma in the shot put to spark other impressive performances in the field. Huey Long and Bart Williams also captured an upset when they defeated the Pioneers’ two-time NCAA All-American printer Ray Clark in the 100.

Victory, as sweet as it is, is still waiting to be tasted by the women’s track team at Cal Poly. Friday afternoon the girls dropped a 133-86, decision to UC Santa Barbara.

The girls took eight first places out of 17 events. This was a big improvement over last week’s loss to Northridge 140-70 when only two events were won by the Mustangs.

Pam Blake won the first event for Cal Poly in the discus with a throw of 107 feet two inches. She was followed by teammate Karen Johnson with a throw of 102 feet one and one-half inches.

The team of Jani Rodala, Barbara Moore, Beth Schulz and Maggie Keyes won the two mile relay with a time of 9:51.1.

Debra Fischer and Susan Kennedy won first and third places respectively in the 400 meter run with a time of 60.9.

Sandy Crawford won the high jump with a jump of 4’10”. Blake and Johnson came in second and third respectively in the javelin.

Spikers take three straight matches

Jan Preston’s spikers soared in what they set out to do as they swept their when wins over three different schools to up their 7-6.

The Mustangs let opponents win only one game in all they played, and that was a 15-13 loss to UC San Diego Friday. Poly took the other three games 15-4, 15-7 and 15-9 in taking the three-game match. The Mustangs demolished San Diego 15-2, 15-3 and 15-4.

“Mc was the best I’ve seen us play since the Peppermint play,” said Preston. “We’re starting to roll now. We weren’t really on top of things Friday night, but against San Diego we put everything together.

Tonight the Mustangs put their three-game streak on the line when they went to Northridge to take on the Matadors at 7 p.m.
**SLO blood bank**

Tir-Counties Blood Bank now has a permanent location in San Luis Obispo at 1250 Peach St., in Fremont Plaza. Suite C. Appointments may be made by calling 544-4540 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. The bank also welcomes donations, all taken from 1 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Song of Norway**


Tickets, $5.50 for evening performances and $2.50 for matinees, are on sale at Brown's Music Store in San Luis Obispo, Paynes Music Stores in Atascadero and Paso Robles, and at the box office beginning March 25. March 31, April 1, 5, 8 and 9 will start at 8 p.m. Matinees on March 27 and April 3 will begin at 2 p.m.

**Poly turns away students at a fast clip**

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applicants. There seems to be a grapevine among students. The consensus is that if you go to Cal Poly, you have a good chance of getting a job," he said. Snyder thinks Cal Poly is attractive because, although it has 15,000 students, it still has a small-school atmosphere. He believes the small population of the San Luis Obispo area is drawing card for those who are tired of the big city life. Snyder, Chandler and Gerard agree that many students come to Cal Poly because they have friends attending here. However, Snyder says Cal Poly does not want to attract aimless students who are "trying to find themselves." Cal Poly is the only campus in the CSUC system that does not have an undeclared major. Snyder says the university tries to draw students who already know what they want to study. Majors like campuses, fall in and out of favor. Snyder says this makes it difficult to plan enrollment.

For example, in the past 10 years, the fields of conserva­tion and ecology have gained enormous popularity. If the trend had been foreseen 10 years ago, facilities could have been expanded to accommodate the increased number of students in those fields.

Snyder cites journalism and business as two other majors which have become popular in recent years. He attributes the rising interest in journalism to the publicists, reporters received during the Watergate investigation. The employment potential of business makes it an attractive major, the admissions officer says. Almost half of the fall 1977 applicants to the Cal Poly journalism and business departments were denied admission.

A total of 3,300 applicants were given space reservations for fall quarter. Nine hundred reservations will be given for summer quarter. The filing period for summer ended in February. Cal Poly hopefuls who didn't make the deadline must now wait until winter quarter. 1978. The filing period for winter quarter begins in June.

**Basketball**

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Keys said he was out of the game. Upheld stepped to the line and the crowd of 8,000 grew silent for one of the few times of the game. He calmly connected on both shots to give DNA their first lead in overtime.

The Mustangs took the ball and ran the clock down to 14 seconds before calling a time out. "We set up our last shot," said Wood. "It was designed to go to the forwards. If the ball went to Jones side, he would put up the last shot. If it went to the other side, we would be up to the other forward." The other forward, in this case, was Neil Whetson. Whetson got the opportunity to play when Keys fouled out and Kelt moved to center.

The way things turned out, it did go to Whetson's side. The forward's 10 footer fell short, as did Pol's drive for the championship. Kelt was high man for the Mustangs netting 21 points. Jones was next with 17 and Keys led in rebounding with 10.