Cal Poly's new president chosen

LONG BEACH—Dr. Warren J. Baker, 40, was appointed Monday president of Cal Poly by the CSUC Board of Trustees, effective at the end of spring quarter.

Baker, the youngest president in CSUC history, comes to Poly from the University of Detroit, where he is vice-president of academic affairs. The announcement was made by Board Chair Roy Brophy at the Trustee meeting in Long Beach.

"I don't plan any major shake-up," Baker said shortly after his appointment. Baker, whose background is in engineering, also said "There should be an added dimension, one more oriented toward humanities."

On the growth issue, Baker said "I'm not resistant to growth, but it should be looked at carefully. I haven't given any thought to expansion as yet."

Baker said the university should not limit itself to traditional sources of funding, but should explore other possible avenues. He suggested Cal Poly might receive funding in the form of research grants and from the federal government.

He also said the university should strive for the total development of all students.

Baker would not commit himself on the hotly debated issue of alcohol on campus. "I don't have a judgment one way or another," he said.

Baker will be the fifth president of Cal Poly, and will take over for Dr. Robert Kennedy who retired in February. Dr. Dale Andrews has been in acting president since then and will resume his duties as executive vice president when Baker arrives.

When Brophy announced Baker's selection, he said the primary factor was that he had the expertise of his predecessor.

Robinson files contestment of ASI run-off election

"We always get letters like this," said Dunn. "The whole thing is getting blown out of proportion. None of the letters are valid in themselves."

Dunn said he felt the people who wrote the letters should have gone to Curtis immediately and she could have either reprimanded or removed the election workers.

"But instead they waited until the polls were closed," he said.

There are no rules, said Dunn, stipulating what constitutes disqualification. But, he continued, when the charges are brought "after the fact" it would have to be something that directly affects the outcome of the election.

"Something like stuffing ballots or definite malicious acts need to occur before someone is disqualified," he explained. "Besides these incidents had nothing to do directly with either Ann or Rose."

Dunn seemed somewhat baffled as to why "so much" was being made out of the letters since these types of letters are submitted after every election.

"Since the election was so tight that may be the reason why the letters are being blown out of proportion," he said.

ASI Program Board instructs president to veto free passes

BY MELISSA HILTON

A resolution to give student senators free passes to all ASI activities was vetoed Monday by the ASI Program Council, by a vote of 24-1.

The vote officially directs the ASI president to veto the senate resolution. According to ASI by-laws, the president now has no choice but to veto, said Tom Arcoleo, chairman of the Program Council.

The council's decision could be changed only by a two-thirds vote in the senate Wednesday, Arcoleo said.

Jenni Schuppel, senator from the School of Human Development and Education and author of the senate resolution, told the council that she changed her mind about giving senators free passes after she checked with the Program Board.

"I found it would hurt the programs that are trying to make money," Schuppel said. A large number of free passes would violate some concert contracts and prevent films from making enough money, she said.

A Program Board resolution in favor of the veto also stated that the proposed free passes for front-row seating would violate "the right of holders of purchased tickets to good seating."

"Aside from the monetary reasons, I think it shows a good attitude and a good school spirit" to veto the senate resolution, said Julie Adams, Poly Royal Board vice-president.

Baker, the new president, said he would make a recommendation to the ASI by-laws, the president now has no choice but to veto, Arcoleo said. ASN President Larry Robinson said he is likely to push for a trial period of one year. But it had voted 14-8 not to rescind the resolution.

ASI Elections Chair Carla Curtis

Chancellor Glenn S. Dumke said the selection of Baker was "excellent. I look forward to working with him in the continuing improvement of one of our most prestigious and unique universities."

Baker, who has civil engineering degrees from the University of Notre Dame and University of New Mexico, has also studied at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Michigan and the Harvard Graduate School of Business and Education.

He is an authority on geotechnical problems of soil composition.

Story compiled by Jay Alling in Long Beach, and Tony Tranfa and Scott Craven

In 1977, Baker became the youngest person ever elected to the College of Fellows of the Engineering Society of Detroit. He is also active in the National Society of Professional Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Society for Engineering Education.

Baker advanced through all professorship ranks of the University of Detroit and holds the added title of Chrysler professor. He chaired the College of Engineering Faculty in 1966-1971 and was on the U.S. Senate Executive council from 1969 to 1975.

The president-designate and his wife, Carly, have four children: Carrie, 16; Kristen, 15; Christopher, 5 and Brian, 2.
Editorial/Opinion

Money talks

The San Luis Obispo County Supervisors have succeeded in putting a price tag on everything, even the right of expression.

The supervisors are requiring a $5,000 cash deposit and $1 million liability insurance for an anti-nuclear rally being planned for June 30 at the county's Rancho El Chorro Park. In this case the price isn't right.

The Abalone Alliance sponsors of the mass rally, already had a commitment for $100,000 property damage and $500,000 personal insurance for the rally, but can't afford the new combined total of $1 million.

Supervisors Steve MacEivaine, Hans Heilmann and Howard Mankins, who voted for the deposit and insurance, are playing a numbers game. They seem to be devising some sort of clever trick to put a price tag on everything, even the right of expression.

The Abalone Alliance has been trying to work within the system to protest to nuclear power, but even when it goes public, I'm sure the Health Department will go through with its plan to help pay part of the insurance costs so that the June 30 protest can take place. The opponents of nuclear power need to be heard.

A cry for liberation

Everytime I read or see something that smacks of sexism, I reach down through the haze of anger and frustration that I feel and for support I think of what Joan of Arc said to her oppressors.

"I will raise such a battlecry that you will remember it forever. We will strike with great thunder and we will see who has their rights..."

I felt that anger and frustration when I saw the cartoon in the Friday, May 11 issue of the Mustang Daily.

The cartoon depicted a curvaceous female naively trying to get gas from a goofy male gas station attendant on an "even day" because she was 36-24-36.

Screwed up

Editors:
To all who read the article concerning rollerskating in the downtown area which appeared May 9 in Mustang Daily:

There was at least one printing mistake and at least one misquote. I personally spoke with the San Luis Obispo Chief of Police on Friday, May 11. Police Chief Neuman told me, after reading the article, that he did not say "that rollerskaters would get a $10 fine"—that must have been the printing mistake.

The very last sentence states—and Fraser added, "We're trying to work with the city, not screw them." That sentence is, without a doubt, the misquote. The word "screw" has the tendency of leaving a bad taste in some people's mouths and I did not say that word in that sentence. My exact statement was, "We're trying to work with the city, not against them."

The staff writer claims she wrote what I said—maybe her pen screwed up.

Rb Fraser, owner
SLO Skate Company

Kool it

Editors:
I have always believed that throwing up was something one did when sick. I found that this was still so, as I read Friday's article about a bunch of sick people drinking Kool-Aid last week.

As a pre-medical student who will one day be practicing medicine, I was horrified that this incident occurred. I am not proud to be practicing medicine, and if the administration does anything to remedy this situation, I will go elsewhere to get results.

I am not going to let this happen at Cal Poly. The Health Department must do something about these practices.

Lesa Porche
Author of "1stAct: of Third Sex"

Letters

We do need to raise a battlecry and we do need to strike with great thunder against blatant sexism and stereotyping. And when I say "we," I don't mean just women, but men also. We can all benefit from liberation.

Liberation means you are trying to discover yourself in a realistic rather than a culturally stereotyped manner. It means you are trying to discover your own strengths and weaknesses.

Leslie Porche is a sophomore journalism major and Mustang Daily staff writer.

Screwed up

I was also appalled that so many students encouraged the idiosyncratic. I am very disappointed, shocked, and angry, and I demand an explanation, from someone qualified to give one, as to why throwing up in public is now considered to be socially acceptable. I want to know where the administrators stands on this barbaric issue.

Not only is gluttony obviously unhealthy, it is a sin. How can people be so bloody insane as to saturate their bodies with drink until they vomit? And what did they earn for all this? A $5 gift certificate from a grocery store.

I was also enraged to read that Larry Robinson was on hand for the contest. Even though he didn't participate in the Kool-Aid drinking contest, he should have forbidden it to take place. I feel that he neglected his duty as Cal Poly's ASI president.

I simply want to state my opinion that, if such incidences continue to occur at this university, and if the administration does nothing to remedy the situation, I will go elsewhere to get results. I'm sure the Health Department would be glad to hear of such a breach of health and common sense. Oh, and I wasn't kidding about wanting that explanation as well as ending it before anything happens immediately.

Dennis A. Re
La Fiesta: Strolling mariachis and dancing cowboys

BY JEANNINE FRANUSICH

Daily Beat Writer

Zoobor—Old Man Groom and his house went up in smoke last Thursday night and that event sparked the beginning of La Fiesta, a weekend-long celebration dating back to 1925.

Both old and young gathered in the lot next to Madonna Plaza to participate in the old pegan ritual, originally designed to chase off evil spirits so Earth would be bountiful.

As the fire began, the crowd showered rocks upon the figure of Zoobor that towered above the eight-foot-high house. The crowd shouted and cheered when a man knocked Zoobor's head off with a large rock.

The crowd cracked and roared as it engulfed the figure of Zoobor and the house. Dark gray smoke spewedk with fire ashed up into the air.

"We spent hours here today just to come to this," said Mary Barron, explaining that she and her sister had spent the day shopping at Madonna Plaza to wait for the ritual.

"I’ve been three times," said seven-year-old Erin Makleek.

"This is my fourth," said her young brother Brian MacMerkon. "It is a neat thing to come to once a year.

As Zoobor and his house were flaming, people over at Mission Plaza were swinging and stomping to the music of Monte Mills and His Lucky Hornet Band.

The smell of beer filled the air, and the festival was creating a festive mood. Children ran through the crowds, laughing and dancing in circles as Mills sang such songs as "Working Man Blues," "Going to Kansas City" and "The Gambler.

"I came to hear Monte Mills," said Bruce Wing, an industrial arts major at Cal Poly. "I wanted to find out what it was about. It is pretty neat, like all the other things around.

Another highlight of the weekend was the two-hour La Fiesta parade down Figueroa Street on Saturday morning. People were lined up all the way down the street. Some watched from rooftops and fire escapes. Children sat on the sidewalk curb and on top of their parents shoulders and fixed their eyes intently on the parade coming down the street.

Teh crowd applauded as the River Bottom Dancers from the Santa Ynez Tribe of Chumash Indians came by. They were dressed in their ceremonial costumes with full headresses of feathers and beads, solemnly lead the tribe. The sound of bells faded as they moved down the street.

Children left the sidewalk and ran into the street grabbing carnations from a large flower cart as it was rolled by.

The flapping mouth of a large-headed and colorful jeweled dragon got big and a loud applause from parade watchers.

The long-tailed dragon followed the Carby Lion Dance Team from Cal Poly’s Chinese Students Association.

Other favorites of parade watchers were the Central Coast Bagpipe Band, and the Gold Coast Borbrush and Quadette from the Montana Club.

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"This was really fun—l had a good time," said ornamental horticulturist student, Janice Belgum about the parade.

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Dwight Twilley shines

BY JIMMY SPECTRE

A late start, advancing fog and technical difficulties failed to dispel the high spirits displayed by both performers and crowd at Friday afternoon's free concert behind the Music building.

Headliner Dwight Twilley's energy and enthusiasm had the crowd on its feet for three encores. Fifteen minutes after Twilley finally disappeared, the crowd was still on its feet, trying to call him back for a fourth encore.

Working in the fifties southern rock genre pioneered by Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley, Twilley mixed songs from his three albums with versions of Presley's and Lewis' songs into a tight rock'n'roll show.

While many concert performers at the music stand on its own, Twilley mimed an mugged his way through the set. His expressions ranged from a blank stare, when he walked an imaginary tightrope across the stage, to an exultant smile and flourish at the end of several piano numbers. Whether prowling the area between the ropes and the stage or strutting confidently into the audience, Twilley was continually in control of the crowd's reactions.

Opening act Couchois was very tight and showed an appealing good nature that got them through several stage problems.

Nevins estimated the crowd at approximately 1,500 people, the majority of which had a good time, she said.

THE IN CROWD—Dwight Twilley gave his performance a personal touch as he strolled singing through the crowd. The free concert was given by the Concert Committee to thank students for the good year.

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MONDAY & TUESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL
Cuesta's provs make more than Poly's according to a new comparison study

BY JEAN HORWITZ
Special to the Daily

Salaries of Cuesta College professors are slightly higher than those of Poly professors, a recent study shows. But administrators of both colleges fear that this comparison may sit in the wounds of Cal Poly professors.

"This is not a competitive situation," said Dr. Frank Martinez, president-supervisor of Cuesta College. "It's like comparing apples and oranges. I do not believe the comparison is fair."

The comparison is part of a study conducted by the California Polytechnic Secondary Education Commission (CPEC). The study indicated that professors at community colleges earn $2,500 more than professors at state colleges, said Martinez. He attributed this difference to the sources of funding—local taxes for community colleges, state taxes for state colleges.

"What CPEC really ought to be comparing is the salary of professors at California State University, San Luis Obispo," said Martinez. "It's an unfair situation in the economy today where people without training are making more than highly trained people."

Said Shelton, Director of Personnel Relations at Cal Poly said the situation exists because of inadequate raises over the last three years at the state college level. The purchasing power of these professors has decreased by 25.5 percent since 1969, he said.

"There is increasing disappointment and concern about (this issue)," Shelton said. But since recruitment for the faculties of the two institutions is from different areas, there is not a problem of state college professors seeking positions at community colleges, he said.

Harold Wilson, member of CPEC, explained that the commission, established in 1973, studies the needs and problems of all colleges in the state— from the University of California system to the vocational colleges.

The state legislature asked CPEC to evaluate the salaries of the state college professors compared to the salaries of professors in comparable institutions around the country, Wilson explained.

"The comparison between the community colleges and state colleges was incidental," said Wilson. The legislature did not request such a comparison, but Wilson said it was included to illustrate the problems in the funding system.

"I don't regret it," he said. "I think in the long run it might help the public as a whole understand the situation."

Wilson explained that such a comparison would probably be requested soon anyway, since Proposition 13 has shifted the weight of community college funding from the local areas to the state.

"Local control is responsible for the lack of uniformity in community college salaries," he said. "Before Proposition 13 only one-third of community college funding came from the state. Now, two-thirds of this funding comes from the state."

Wilson said he thinks the new state control will iron out the differences in salaries among the professors of the various institutions.

Southern California's gas lines shrink

LOS ANGELES (AP) —

The long gas lines that characterized southern California's gas lines last three weeks shrunk dramatically Tuesday. In some areas, there was no wait.

"It may have been a panic by motorists," said attorney Jim Carroll of the California Association of Southern California Service Station Dealers Association. "Perhaps it took a week of odd-even to bring the situation under control.

But there was no certain reaction to the odd-even system, so long lines and nobody knew it if they would remain. "We're not looking for more gas than before, so don't know what the reason is," said Juan Mendoza at a Mobil station in Huntington Beach, south of Los Angeles.

"But the line is only about a block long. Last week, lines were three, four, even five blocks long," said Mendoza.

In Palos Verdes, state officials, including energy commission Chairman Richard Mauzin, planned to meet with Los Angeles enforcement officials Monday to discuss a crackdown on the odd-even rationing regulations.

The attorney general said his office is gathering information on the crisis to determine if there are any violations of the law.

He said there's no evidence the odd-even rationing is responsible for the lack of uniformity in community college salaries, "The court control is responsible for the lack of uniformity in community college salaries," a veteran explained. "You have to go around and check every gas line. It's a momentous task. That's the difficulty."
Students fling in Guts Frisbee tourney Saturday.

FOREHAND FLING—Bob Garry applies a forehand throw during a Guts-Frisbee tournament Saturday.

TEAMWORK TAPPING—(from left to right) Mike Gough, Bob Garry and Don Doty formed one three-man team. Trios opposed each other and earned points catching opponent's throws during 18 minute periods.

Veterans released

‘New movement’ brings bad news

BY KELLY WISE
Daily Sports Writer

One of the most dreaded rumors for an aging athlete to hear is that his team is going with a ‘youth movement.’ For veteran athletes, this is often a sign they should start clearing out their lockers.

A youth movement is a term used in professional sports management when they decide to find new talent. Not the type of talent a single trade can bring, or that the draft might provide, but the type of talent that means getting almost a whole new team. Veteran players immediately become trade bait, or they are cut. The management wants to give their team a whole new image, to get rid of the old bodies and bring in some new ones.

The Washington Redskins have recently been going through a youth movement. Last week the Redskins cut Billy Kolmer, Jake Scott, and Chris Hanburger, all former NFL stars. Kilmer, an ex-UCLA All-American, had been the Washington starting quarterback for a number of years. Last season he lost his starting job at the beginning of the year. Last week the Redskins cut Kilmer, Scott and Hanburger.

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Almost everybody suffers when a team is forced to go through this year and young players appear at once. Their performance drops, the management suffers and even the fans suffer. As a team moves on for new players there might be a steady flow of middle-line anonymous ballplayers.

Joe Garagiola probably best summed up this problem when he boarded a Yankee bus during the mid-1960’s. At the time the Yankees were searching for players to replace stars such as Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris, Bob Doerr and Whitey Ford. The move was necessitated by fear of ‘psychological problems.’

Scott is a former All-Pro safety, who played on the Miami Dolphins when they went undefeated. Chris Hanburger was the Redskins’ team captain for many years, as well as being named to the NFL All-Pro team many times. The team had not been performing too well however, the past two years and many observers felt the Washington squad was over the hill. The management, namely Coach Jack Pardee, decided to bring in younger players.

Many teams go through youth movements. A lot of the top teams are the best because all their players peak at the same time. Unfortunately, the younger players also start to fade and lose their ability at the same time. If all a team has not planned for its players growing older, then a change will have to be made at once. Usually, when this change occurs, there is a dropoff in the team performance. This is because of sudden changes in personnel.

The Baltimore Orioles are a good example of a dropoff, even a resurgance of a team. The Orioles were one of the American League’s top teams in the late 1960’s, but went through a youth movement in the early 70’s. Veteran stars Frank Robinson, Boog Powell and Paul Blair were cut and traded. The Orioles dropped from top to bottom of the AL East ladder. Now, as younger players like Eddie Murray, and Doug DeCinces reach playing maturity, the Orioles are climbing back to the top of the AL East. During those in between years, the Baltimore team went through some rough times.

CHEATING AT INDIANAPOLIS 500 TRIALS

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A cheating scandal continued to rage Sunday in Gasoline Alley as Danny Ongais paced the final round of qualifications for the May 27 Indianapolis 500. The cheating allegations, which started Saturday when Dan Gurney’s car was disqualified, spilled over to Sunday with the announcement that Saturday qualifiers Tom Bigelow and Steve Krisiloff also were caught trying to circumvent the rules.

All three had their qualifying time nullified, were assessed $5,000 fines and were told they could "legalize" their cars and try again to qualify.

Once officials found out how the cheating was being done, only one other car passed inspection—that of Larry Rice. Technical Director Jack Beckley said: "We found no evidence of cheating on Rice’s car." However, he said the erratic speeds on Rice’s run—"I couldn’t tell they left the first-stringers at home."
BY JOHN KELLER
Daily Sports Editor
At least 40 of 51 Cal Poly 1979 baseball games were forfeited after three Mustang players were declared ineligible for the 1979 season due to violating California Collegiate Athletic Association rules concerning the transferring between junior colleges and four-year schools.

As a result, each Mustang player is ineligible for the CCAA for the 1980 season, According to Dick Heaton, assistant athletic director, told the Telegram-Tribune May 17 that testing was completed on a team of five players that began college at a four-year school, transitioned to a junior college for a year, then three years at another four-year school.

Since they are ineligible, Peotyn's and Wyrick's eligibility status in 1979 will be erased, Peotyn batted .335 average and maintained one of the top five CCAA batting positions a majority of the season. With nine home runs led the league throughout the year in that category.

The left-handed junior also led the Mustangs in a .593 slugging percentage.

The error was discovered by one of the opposing coaches in the league. He was researching Wyrick's background and found the clearinghouse's information and the eligibility worksheet. The decision to make the trio ineligible was finalized by the CCAA athletic directors at a league meeting Friday at Cal State Los Angeles. Buccola attended the meeting with Fred Clapston, Cofey Poly's faculty athletic representative.

"We talked about the way down to LA and the rules were finally defined," Buccola said. "There was no negotiating (at the meeting)."

"That's not as serious as possible," Buccola said. "Unfortunately, it's too late in the season."

"Sent a letter out to all of the schools telling them of the games we forfeited."

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Three ineligible for Poly baseball

Wyrick, a junior, completed six of 10 starting assignments on the mound for Coach Bobb Hey. The right-hander had a 3-7 record and a 4.94 earned run average in 14 outings.

As an infielder, Gordon batted .269 in 28 plate appearances. The junior played sparingly in 26 games at second base behind Craig Gerber.

The error was discovered by one of the opposing coaches in the league. He was researching Wyrick's background and found the violating error. He told his school's athletic director who advised Buccola to investigate other Mustang players who possibly violated league regulations.

Buccola said the error was a "misinterpretation of the eligibility worksheet."

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Governments release prisoners

TOKYO (AP) - The first sick and wounded prisoners from the Chinese invasion of Vietnam crossed to their respective homelands under an exchange agreement Monday and both groups discarded their personal belongings in a show of

China's official Xinhua News Agency and Japan's Kyodo news service reported that 120 Vietnamese soldiers, including some women, crossed into Vietnam at a northern border point and Vietnam then released 43 Chinese. 

The prisoners captured during its four-week incursion into Vietnam in exchange for 200 men said to be held by Vietnam. The border was open for the first time since China said its offensive was a result of provocations by the Hanoi government.

Several of the Vietnamese prisoners, carrying sacks and equipment, threw away their packs and personal belongings on the order of Vietnamese security personnel when they crossed the border. Kyodo reported from the "Zero Kilometer Mark" on the road from China's Friendship Pass to Dalat.

Xinhua said the prisoners' packs were seized and thrown away by Vietnamese security personnel. It did not mention the belongings of returning Chinese prisoners but Kyodo said they also threw away their gear to express hostility toward Vietnam.

Earlier, Xinhua reported Chinese frontier guards were removing land mines at the point where the Vietnamese prisoners were to be released.

Dohinique Borel, a representative of the Geneva-based International Red Cross, witnessed the exchange. The organization said its observers would attend talks on further repatriations.

Along with a list of the prisoners, Xinhua said, China gave Vietnamese Red Cross authorities 41 "certificates of disability for prisoners." Chinese medical workers gave the prisoners "meticulous medical treatment and attention to their daily life," Kyodo said.

Kyodo said the 43 Chinese prisoners all were carried into China on stretchers. 

Synanon official rejects story

RICHMOND (AP) - A Synanon official called "absolutely false" the Internal Revenue Service's claim that the drug and alcohol rehabilitation movement's application for federal tax exempt status was a religion.

Philip Bourdette, Synanon's attorney and secretary of the organization, rebutted the story added Saturday, "Anyone can call the Internal Revenue Service's Exempt Organizations Branch in San Francisco and find out that Synanon is still a tax-exempt, charitable, non-profit organization."

The Internal Revenue Service declined Friday to comment on the newspaper's story from Washington. The report cited two independent sources which were not identified. The IRS in Washington noted that it is forbidden by law to comment.

The IRS has claimed for some time that Synanon is not a tax-exempt organization and still liable for millions in taxes.

Nuclear accident can reoccur

WASHINGTON (AP) - The chairman of a House inquiry into the Three Mile Island nuclear accident said Monday the same type mishap "is likely at any time" at another nuclear power plant.

Rep. James Weaver, D-Ore., made the assertion in presenting a report by his panel suggesting that equipment and instrument failure played a much greater role in the March 28 accident than operator error.

Meanwhile, the House approved and sent to the White House a measure giving broad powers to the special commission named by President Carter to investigate the nuclear accident.

The measure, passed unanimously, gives the commission the power to subpoena and put witnesses under oath and to inspect pertinent records.

Commission members last week suspended hearings into the accident until it had obtained the power. The Senate passed the bill this Friday.

"Such an accident not only could happen again but it is likely at any time," Weaver told members of a House Interior subcommittee.

"Three Mile island has proved the extreme vulnerability of nuclear power."

The task force headed by Weaver concluded in its report that control room operators were unable to harness the nation's nuclear reactors in a total of 1,000 instances when their instruments gave them false or misleading information.

"It is not operator error not closely related to design or equipment errors, but the nuclear accident was a result of operators and engineers involved from the start of the accident repeatedly told the task force they did not know the extent of damage - the degree of serious danger - until one or two days after the damage had occurred."

Medigap pays death benefits

SACRAMENTO (AP) - The state paid Medigap benefits for at least 377 persons who were already dead in a single month in 1977, state Controller Ken Cory said today.

An audit of the Medigap program of free medical care for the poor found that benefits were paid for at least 7.8 percent of the 4,800 Medigap recipients who had died in December 1977, Cory said.