Kranz fires on dormitory contracts; 'Toss section' called by president

BY MEG McCONAHEY

Calling certain clauses in the dormitory contracts "outrageous," President Rose Kranz has initiated a lobbying campaign to try to have them dropped from the lease altogether.

The clauses are under the Student Affairs Council to make final recommendations. Baker concerning changes in the contract, and according to on-campus Housing Director Robert Bostrum, it is unlikely that the council will include in the recommendation.

If you want

BY JAY ALLING

It was a crisp fall morning in Soto Lake as the sandhill cranes were not cooperating. The few birds that took flight were restless. Maybe now the cranes would give a show so all could go home. The group fell silent.

Then disappointment—the cranes quacked back down to feed.

Aleta Cromer, public relations chairperson for the Biology Club, which co-sponsored the trip with Cal Poly's biology department, said, "Way over there stood a flock, maybe a thousand, in faint circles to keep warm. The other 30 or 40 of us had only thoughts of ways to get the gray-colored birds to fly overhead before the darkness came.

"Somebody play taps," jeered someone. Cromer pointed at the sandhill cranes and said, "We took a cue from the movies.

Cromer had figured the cranes might get the hint and go home to the lake.

Chairwoman Cromer liked the idea and blew taps on her kazoo. It took everyone's mind off the cold.

Fifteen minutes later the cranes responded. First one called then another and still more until the flock screeched in high-pitched chorus.

Photographers and spectators hurriedly pulled up their lenses as the cranes lifted. Starting at one end of the flock, the cranes spread their wings—in feet fully stretched—and took to the air. About 10,000 left in a long rolling wave, heading for the lake.

"You know what the university in the future is going to look like?" asked one member.

"Baker said.

"They're beautiful and so graceful." Cromer said. The cranes formed "V's as they flew overhead. Thin, said professor Johnson, means each bird breaks the air for the one directly behind it.

"It's aerodynamically more conservative to do that," he said.

This was the moment biology professors and students had waited for since early afternoon. The cranes were the major attraction; they are yearly visitors from Eastern Oregon. But it was also a day of other highlights.

Starting at a restaurant off Highway 58, Johnson led the group. He pointed out geological features of the valley, interesting sights, and native species.

Johnson said Soto Lake, where the birds winter, was formed by wash-off from the nearby Caliente Mountains to the north. Salt evaporation from the mountains created a "mini Salt Lake." See Cranes, page 3

Baker: Ethnicity should be admissions factor

Admissions standards of the California State University and Colleges should be changed to include a factor for minority student membership, University's President Warren Baker said Wednesday afternoon.

Baker, speaking in a meeting with Cal Poly minority students, said racial quotas are illegal but it is legal to include a factor in admissions standards that helps minority students gain admission to Cal Poly.

Fixed racial quotas were declared an "unconstitutional" term by the Supreme Court Baker decided (1971).

"Although Baker says you can't use racial criteria, he can look at the fact that an applicant is a minority." Baker told the gathering of Mexican-Americans and blacks, who were at the meeting.

However, CSUC rules do not currently allow consideration of ethnicity for admission, said Professor Johnson.

"It is something that will have to be faced throughout the 19 campuses," Baker said.

Dave Snyder, Cal Poly admissions officer, said only the high school grade point average and SAT or ACT scores are considered in admitting a student as a freshman. For transfer students, only the college grade point average is considered.

There is no ethnicity factor used now. Snyder said. However, he said, there will probably be changes in the near future.

Baker said he does not need to wait for changes in CSUC admission policy to get more minorities in its programs. Baker said.

"With the right type of effort we can identify and admit more minorities through regular processes right away," he said.

The meeting started with students presenting their concerns to Baker about minority enrollment.

Sam Cortez, a crop science major, said, "We feel this university has not been making an effort to recruit minority students.

Recruiting trips, Cortez said, are made mostly to high schools with high white enrollment. But since minority students go to high schools near minority areas, they do not go to high schools at all or are cut off the list.

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ASI, Foundation loan $10,000 for dorm improvement

BY MELISSA HILTON

New fire alarm systems, corridor sprinkler systems and new fire exit doors will be installed in Heron and Jesperian Halls with a $10,000 loan from ASI and Cal Poly Foundation.

The Foundation approved a $5,000 interest-free loan to Cal Poly Tuesday, and the student senate approved a $5,000 matching fund on Wednesday.

The loans must be repaid in two years from private sources, probably funds raised by the Mustang Boosters, said Nick Forestiere, ASI Finance Committee chairman.

If extra money is not raised, repayment will come from the Quarterback Fund, the royalties from Cal Poly's athletic appearances on television, state monies spent on scholarship housing, he said.

"The ASI Foundation funds are dilapidated to the point where the fire marshals can no longer tolerate it," Forestiere said.

The planned changes will not only upgrade the current scholarship dormitories conform to present fire codes. That would cost $60,000 to $70,000, said Executive Dean Douglas Gerard.

"That's like preventing some students from having nice dorm rooms," Forestiere said. The students want to be faced throughout the 19 campuses,' ' Baker said.

However, when it became evident there were not sufficient funds to send recruiters to all the high schools on the list, it was the schools with large minority enrollments that were crossed off the list.

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"Those who forget the past are doomed to repeat it."

When Spanish philosopher George Santayana enunciated this proverb, he must have had foreign diplomacy in mind. Diplomats must constantly look to the past and learn from earlier blunders when formulating today's foreign policy.

Yet Jimmy Carter has ignored Santayana's fundamental postulate and is slowly moving this nation toward a war which has all the trappings of another Vietnam.

President Carter announced in his 1980 State of the Union address that any Soviet attempt to gain control of the Persian Gulf by attacking Pakistan will be repelled by any means necessary, including military force.

Carter's promise to thwart any Soviet attempt to invade Pakistan sounds chillingly like the secret wheeling and dealing that ended with a shooting war which left the blood of Vietnam still on their hands.

If they can win a war by their own rules, the U.S. could not win a war by ours. We have an economic stranglehold on the Soviet Union.

As a result, the only real threat to U.S. interests would be that the United States would lose another round in the ongoing craps game for third-world control—hardly a cause worth playing millions of lives for as the example of the Vietnam war points out.

Hence, the United States is using a third-world country as a pawn to fight the Soviet Union over Communist expansion and to protect U.S. interests abroad.

But the current Middle East crisis has an added ingredient—oil—which would compound any war, should President Carter choose that course of action.

Pakistan is an oil-poor nation, but is in a strategic position—on the Arabian Sea near the Persian Gulf through which much of the world's exported oil now passes. If the Soviet Union could capture Pakistan, it would control the western world's oil supply and thus have an economic stronghold on the U.S.

However, a quick glance at an atlas will reveal that current oil exports could be diverted through Saudi Arabia to the Red Sea. This would tend to discourage any Soviet plans to control Middle East oil.

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Cranes supply sundown show

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The Temblor Mountains lie adjacent to the Caliente range. It forms the northeast boundary of the valley.

At Soto Lake, the birders fanned out across the shore like a search party. They set up telescopes to view the seven thousand nesting birds resting there. Through the 'scopes, the red forehead patches of the cranes could be seen. Other birds were identified, too: rough-legged hawks; marsh hawks; loggerhead shrikes and meadowlarks. But none of the cranes flew overhead to give photographers close shots and glimpses of their smooth, undulating flight.

While everyone waited along seaside biology student Vickie Wolpert belatedly joined the ornithological caravan. She had originally planned to watch Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers in Santa Barbara, which was cancelled.

"Well, well, well. What are you doing here?" Johnson asked. "Decide that the outdoors was better than a rock concert?"

Wolpert blushed, and walked over to the telescope as Johnson explained more about the valley. The electric wires overhead, he said later, would bring energy from Diablo Canyon to homes in Bakersfield.

Then the group drove down the road to another vista, past the lake to a rocky outcropping. A burrowing owl had set up camp among the rocks. Its "pellets"—left-overs the owl could not digest but instead regurgitated in a ball—were scattered in the rock crevices. Johnson analyzed the contents.

"Kangaroo rat," he said, with the bold expertise that years of field experience gives outdoorsmen. The professor then pointed to the southern edge of the range where Elk Horn Oil Reserve lies.

Meanwhile the birds at the lake decided to sneak across the road to the feeding grounds while no one was near.

Students closest to their cars jumped in and headed back toward the lake. By the time they got there most of the birds were gone. "That was worth waiting for. I've never seen anything like that," Johnson said.

Johnson returned to his car. "Dinner time," he yelled, and was the first gone.

From the outcropping, the San Andreas Fault could be seen running parallel to the Temblor Mountains, whose name means earthquake. The fault made a trench between the crumpled hills. Here in where two continental plates meet: San Luiz Obispo and the Central Coast on the Pacific Plate; Bakersfield Eastward and the American Plate. When the plates move, the earth shakes.

"Some of the best aerial photographs were taken there," said Johnson about the fault compressions.

The rest detoured around the cars. Now the wait started as the sun dropped. Now mittens and coffee were brought out. Forty-five minutes later it paid off—the cranes flew directly overhead.

"Look at that, thousands of 'em," Johnson said. "Oh, this is great!"

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Vince Bucci

Eric Johnson
Please disregard the previous Copeland's Ski Coupon Days Ad. The dates were incorrect. We are sorry for the inconvenience.
Jefferson Starship has experienced many changes in its 17 years together. The only original member left with the group is guitarist Paul Kantner. Vocalist Grace Slick left the group last year due to stress and drug related problems. She was followed by lead vocalist Marty Balin. Balin was replaced by Mickey Thomas of the Elvin Bishop Band.

The group is currently promoting its recent album release, Freedom at Point Zero, which includes the hit single "Jane."

Tickets for the Starship concert will go on sale Monday, February 11. Student tickets are $6.50 in advance and $7.50 at the door. General admission is $8.60. No one under 18 will be admitted and I.D.s will be required at the door.
Ken Peet returns to young team

Ken Peet will return as head coach of the Mustang tennis team after a one year absence. Peet will find no seniors, and no one that was on his 1978 California Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) championship team.

He feels his 1980 squad is a definite contender for the CCAA crown, and perhaps a return to the championship team. From 1972-76 Mustangs dominated status Cal Poly had coach of the Mustangs.

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Three other newcomers will be in the line-up this season. They are Andrew Weber of San Diego, Kevin Deud of Lompoc and Brian Boucha of Los Angeles, all freshmen.

Two key losses from last year's team are first singles, and Lyle Chamberlain, both of whom qualified for the NCAA Division II championships in singles events last season.

"Martin Dydeli and Robb Chappell as a doubles team. Martin had the potential to be a league champ and to do very well in the NCAA, but I predicted Peet. "Martin and Robb are expected to be the team leaders this year." Peet said. "I am excited about a brand new bunch of guys."
Poly's inexperience leads to first loss

BY BARRY SHO R T Z

The Cal Poly men's volleyball team, last year's Western Athletic Conference champs, managed only to win the first game—but it proved to be the most exciting of the night.

After dropping the first two games, 5-15 and 10-15, the Mustangs put it together with good defense and fine ball setting by John Hanley. Todd Decker and Chuck Hayes.

The unexperienced Mustangs, who were only their second year in the tough California Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (CIVA), lost several outstanding players to graduation last year.

Inexperience is a problem for the Mustangs and it showed on the court when the team was over­come by the Matadors in the final game 5-15.

Doug Brown (11) drives his point home. One of the few bright spots Wed­nesday.

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