Future of minor sports rests with President Baker

BY SHAWN TURNER

The fate of several intercollegiate sports once considered to be dropped from the 1982-83 schedule now remains uncertain.

The reason — Cal Poly President Warren Baker has not yet decided whether to accept or reject last month's Athletic Advisory Commission recommendation to save the Intercollegiate Athletic Program from any cuts for another year.

Commission Chairman Howard West said last week that Baker's recent business trips would probably prevent him from making a decision.

That has turned out to be the case.

Now, nearly a week after the deadline Baker established for the commission to reach a recommendation, West said he has received no word from the president about a decision.

The commission recommended last month that no sports be cut from next year's schedule because the estimated $30,000 needed to keep the sports program alive for a year would come from ASI funds.

New considerations

The new recommendation alters previous considerations by the commission, one that included cutting baseball and four other sports — men's volleyball, water polo, and men's and women's swimming.

The commission also suggested that the rest of the money come from the work of an athletic development director, who would probably be hired by the Athletic Department through the Mustang Booster Club.

That position has not been filled, but Acting Athletic Director Dick Heaton said the Athletic Department may have a fund-raising director by March.

The money from the ASI should come easily, said ASI President Dennis Hawk. He and Heaton have addressed the ASI Finance Committee twice about the matter, and Hawk said the committee may take action next Monday.

The money matter will then go to the Student Senate for discussion next Wednesday.

Union run-off set

BY SHARON REZAK

The dates for the run-off election between the two faculty unions striving for representation at the legislative bargaining table have been set, according to a spokesperson from each union.

Lloyd "Bud" Becher of the United Professors of California and Corwin Johnson of the Congress of Faculty Associations both said new ballots will be mailed April 12 to CSU's almost 20,000 faculty employees.

Johnson said according to the Public Employee Relations Board, which is "aiming for a May 4 deadline," the announcement of the winning bargaining agent — either UPC or CFA — will be May 12. But May 4 is not a firm date for PERB, said Johnson.

The new ballots mailed in April will have only two choices printed on them, either UPC or CFA. They will be mailed to every CSU faculty member as of Feb. 28, 1982, according to Johnson.

ASI Senate calls for campus disaster plan review

BY DEBRA KAYE

A resolution that calls for a "task force representing the entire university community" to review the campus disaster preparedness plan, was approved by a large majority in the Student Senate Wednesday night.

Sponsored by John Schouten, senator from the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the resolution included complaints that neither students nor faculty were on the committee that drafted the new plan, the operating guidelines are not publicly available and public knowledge about the plan is so "poor" that its success cannot be judged by many. The resolution also states that information now available — such as the section on a nuclear accident — is "grossly inadequate."

The resolution asks that the current disaster plan be considered "solely" an interim plan until the task force can review it and "present its findings" to President Warren Baker.

In other business, Russ Brown, Dean of Students, reported that the university is considering charging an $8 commencement fee for those participating in graduation ceremonies. Fiscal cutbacks and the cost to the university of putting on the ceremony made this an alternative, he said. The $8 figure came from dividing the average number of graduates from past years into the cost ($13,000 last year). The Senate's reaction was overwhelmingly negative.

Brown also reported that this year, for the first time, the Placement Center had to turn away companies that wanted to interview graduates on campus. He cited a "space crunch" as the reason, and when Dexter Library was suggested as an alternative, he added that the center did not want to drive interviewers away for future years by putting them in an empty building readying for renovation.

Energy Policy

Another resolution proposed an energy and resources conservation policy to be created for the campus. The resolution, sponsored by Larry Greene, School of Business, calls for the Student Senate to support a policy to monitor energy use on campus, to support a conservation awareness education program and to consider alternative energy sources that would "promote improved energy efficiency, stability, economic benefit or other clear advantages."

Kevin Gates of the Academic Senate Council for the Senate, said that, in line with President Baker's new emphasis on academic disqualifications, 166 students have been notified of their disqualification.

In the quarterly Student Relations Board gatherers fund for the ASI Chair Margaret Stimson said the board would be conducting a poll, beginning Feb. 16, to ask students opinion on CAR priority registration. "Dead Week" (no tests the week before finals and academic advisin...
Reagan seeks new arms treaty
WASHINGTON (AP) - President Reagan said Thursday the United States has submitted a draft treaty to the Soviet Union for mutual reduction of medium-range nuclear arms and "a major contribution to security, stability and peace."

The proposal, which embodies Reagan's Nov. 18 plan to reduce intermediate-range nuclear weapons in Europe, was placed on the negotiating table in Geneva on Tuesday, according to David R. Gergen, a senior White House spokesman. Gergen said it contained no new proposals.

In a written statement, Reagan called on Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev "to join us in this important first step to reduce the nuclear shadow that hangs over the people of the world."

The Soviet leader on Wednesday proposed a two-thirds cut in U.S. and Soviet medium-range nuclear weapons in Europe by 1990 and said the United States was avoiding serious negotiations on the issue.

Prosecution rests at murder trial
ATLANTA (AP) - A friend of Wayne B. Williams testified Thursday that he told her before his arrest that he would confess if authorities investigating the slayings of young blacks built a strong enough case against him.

The prosecution rested after the testimony from Sharon Blakely, the 114th witness in five weeks of testimony so far at the sensational murder trial. The judge refused a defense request for a directed verdict on the 13th count.

Mrs. Blakely's testimony came shortly after an ambulance driver said Williams had once startled him by asking, "and I ever considered how many blacks could be eliminated by doing away with one black male child?"

Reagan proposes big EPA cuts
WASHINGTON (AP) - President Reagan's 1983 budget will slash spending at the Environmental Protection Agency by almost a third from what it was in 1981 levels and will strip away the "safety net" that protects Americans from polluted air and contaminated water, a conversion group said Thursday.

The administration will propose spending $886 million for the EPA in its 1983 budget and a personal level of 5,848, the National Wildlife Federation said. That would be a 32 percent drop from the $1.38 billion 1981 budget and a loss of 5,783 employees.

The Reagan budget will not be made public until Monday, but the federation said it had obtained details from sources inside the agency.

"Instead of going to Congress and saying, 'Look, we want to repeal all the environmental protection statues', this administration is trying to kill those laws by cutting off the funds needed to administer and enforce them," said Jay Hair.

At a separate news conference, House Democrats pledged to fight the budget cuts and said they would make Reagan's environmental policies an issue in the 1982 elections.

"The Reagan administration has broken a century of bi-partisanship on environmental issues," House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill said.

"It has set about demolishing protections that have taken a decade to build."

Senate passes anti-busing law
WASHINGTON (AP) - Opening a season of battles over social issues, the Senate on Thursday approved a 29 percent cut in the Environmental Protection Agency. The Senate also passed an amendment to an overall spending authorization bill for the Justice Department, which would prohibit federal judges handling desegregation cases from ordering busing for students who live more than five miles or 15 minutes from their schools.

"It is a pernicious precedent," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., who voted against the measure. "The courts are going to be hobbled by this kind of approach."

Further action on the overall bill was not expected until next week.

Church leaders discuss Poland
VATICAN CITY (AP) - Pope John Paul II held "extremely delicate" talks Thursday with leaders of Poland's Roman Catholic church on an effort to agree on church policy toward the martial law crackdown.

Vatican officials said the Polish-born pontiff received the Polish primate, Archbishop Josef Glemp, and two other visiting Polish prelates, shortly after their arrival from Warsaw. Discussions continued over lunch at the pontiff's private apartment.

"The talks are extremely delicate. There is no lack of matters to be discussed," a member of the Polish delegation who requested anonymity.

Glemp and the archbishops of Krakow and Wroclaw will remain in Rome about a week and will face the pope before he departs for Africa Feb. 12. The Polish official said.

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Tired Doc excites audience with frenzied pickin’

BY SHAWN TURNER

So off he goes with Doc Watson as he plays those classic of those. There’s magic in that music, and it’ll soothe your weary soul.

The evening began by Bob Baker. Backstage after his Saturday evening concert at Cuesta College, Doc Watson examined the Pepsi offered him to cool his throat.

When musicians appeared. The cheering crowd cheered again, but only briefly, an expectant hum, fraught with an intensity the audience had come to expect.

Chumash Auditorium quieted down to its rifle nervously. The folk music revival of the early 1960s, its rif nervously.

Doc Watson was tired. So was his son, Merle, and his bass player, Michael Coleman — tired from travel. From San Francisco to San Luis Obispo to Los Angeles in three days, playing the entire trip.

Of course, the greatest guitar players in the world, a country music impresario, and more importantly, the most extensive walking anthology of southern music.

The name’s purely accidental,” Watson said backstage, occasionally bending down to touch his guitar case. “Someone a long time ago while I was playing just started calling me ‘Doc,’ and the name stuck. You know, my given name’s ‘Arvil.’

Someone called from the dressing room. ‘Does anyone want any more food?’

‘No, thank you,’ Watson said. ‘We’d better get going soon. We have to get up early tomorrow. Have to be on our way to L.A.’

‘Always on the move, huh?’ someone asked.

‘Bass player Michael Coleman nodded slowly, as though to say, ‘You know it.’

Watson presented the audience with volumes of his anthology, a string of bluegrass songs filled with guitar breaks so Doc and Merle could show their wares.

It must have confused some audience members, though, to realize it wasn’t Doc playing some of those beautifully complicated breaks, but Merle, moving his fingers up and down the neck so fast as fast as he could pick.

Much of the audience whooped in appreciation each time Doc and Merle broke into a duet.

Father and son played in such crowd-pleasing bluegrass duets as “Way Downtown” and “Old Joe Clark.”

But Doc didn’t stay in bluegrass long. It was an introduction to their guitars in flurries that belied the moodiness of the audience.

Watson wore the crowd, “because all I’m going to do is some pickin’ and grow.”

For the most part, his warning held true. Watson’s voice was clear and fatherly, sung of heartache and death and the broken promises and the broken promises — while he and Merle picked their guitars in florries that belied the moodiness of the audience.

But Watson did not grin. He grimaced a few times, making sure his fingering was right, but most of the time his face was expressionless and made faces while he played, but his father was still, letting only his fingers work.

Doc Watson, 58, is been blind since birth. He gained national fame during the folk music revival of the early 1960s, playing the same New Orleans Village cabs as Bob Dylan and Joan Baez.

Unlike Dylan and Baez, who took up folk music comparatively late in their lives, Watson grew up around folk music — from the hymns sung at his father’s Baptist Church in Dawson, N.C., to the songs heard on Grand Ole Opry broadcasts.

Since his career began Watson has been called, without hesitation, one of the greatest guitar players in the world, a country music impresario, and more importantly, the most extensive walking anthology of southern music.

The musicians were great. It’s quite a delight to watch each other closely, and the sound reflects it.

As it soared for the band to come on stage, it grew even quieter, breaking into sudden cheers when musicians appeared. The cheering ended, but the tense, waiting hum continued.

They sure got smart when they did those, he said, holding the case against his ear and clicking the audience sides with his thumb. He continued for a minute to explain the benefits of recycling aluminum.

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Finally, in place of an electric guitar with "three favorites and a gear shift lever," as Watson put it, he adjusted the amplifier on his guitar and the three became a rock ‘n’ roll group, playing 60s hits like "I Got Frutti," and "Blue Suede Shoes," which included a solo by Coleman.

The hour-and-a-half concert earned Doc a standing ovation, for which he played probably his most demanded song, "Tennessee Stud.

"Tired Doc excites audience with frenzied pickin’

Respectful crowd pays tribute to Doc and band

BY JAN MUNRO

The near-capacity crowd in the Chumash Auditorium quieted down to an expectant hum. The audience waited in anticipation for the man who turned musicians into what one of his trumpet players later referred to as "a well-oiled machine," where music is smooth and "everything works together."

And the music was satisfying. Although, technically, there are more proficient musicians in newer big bands, they are usually studio musicians, not used to playing together, and often stand back and chat with each other as someone is taking a solo. This doesn’t happen with Basie’s band. They listen to and watch each other closely, and the sound reflects it.

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Doc Watson, written by Baker, and a line from it describes Watson’s influence on guitar music.

"If I had a nickel for every note I stole from Doc’s songs, I could retire a millionaire and pick guitar all day long.

Upper right: Legendary guitarist Doc Watson plays a break during the Saturday night concert at Cuesta College. Above: Doc reaches up the neck on a break, making a difficult song look easy.

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El Salvador documentary scheduled

A feature-length documentary on the political troubles of the Central American country of El Salvador will be screened for the public on Tuesday, Feb. 18. Titled, El Salvador: The People Will Win, it is an advocacy film produced by the Film Institute of Revolutionary El Salvador. It will be shown at 8 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Admission is $1.

The 90-minute color film was produced in 1980, and written and directed by Diego de la Texera.

When the film was shown in Santa Monica last October, Kevin Thomas of Los Angeles Times commented, "No one ought to be aired on prime-time television so that the American public can consider the wisdom of increasing aid to El Salvador's military junta...you don't have to be a radical to respond to this harrowing portrait of human suffering or to fear that El Salvador has all the makings of another Vietnam. For American audiences, de la Texera's documentary serves as an immensely forceful and urgent cautionary tale."

"El Salvador: The People Will Win," has a slogan attached to its advocacy: "Revolution or Death." The film is cooperatively presented by Cal Poly's Iranian Student Association and the Central American Study and Solidarity Association.

1000th cadet is commissioned at Poly

An award-winning member of the Army ROTC cadet corps at Cal Poly is the 1,000th young person to be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army through the university's Military Science Department.

James W. Manley, who was commissioned recently, is currently completing requirements for his bachelor's degree in electronic engineering while serving in the California National Guard's 540th Signal Battalion at Long Beach. Manley, whose parents are Lt. Col. and Mrs. Willis Manley of South Bend, Ind., attended San Luis Obispo Senior High School and began his study at Cal Poly during the time his father was professor of military science and head of the Military Science Department at the university. The elder Manley is currently assigned to the 428th Field Artillery Group, South Bend, as senior advisor.

During the four years he was in the Cal Poly ROTC program, James Manley reached the grade of cadet captain and held a number of responsible unit positions.

He won several awards for his scholarship and leadership accomplishments while he was a cadet at Cal Poly, including the Roy H. Davis Memorial Award for the outstanding engineering student among those in the ROTC program.

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Book Review

Irving exploits survival of the American Dream

BY ROBIN LEWIS

The Hotel New Hampshire, John Irving's newest novel, is a novel of surviving, battling and outlasting the onslaughts of the American Dream and way of life. It is the story of a family of individuals named Berry, whose life is anything but the American "way of life." They wander from the first hotel in New Hampshire, to another Hotel New Hampshire in Vienna and to a last one on the coast of Maine. They are the proprietors, and in each hotel they live, suffer, recover and finally face their lives.

Irving said when he finished his last novel, The World According to Garp, that he wished never to write a book so violently and sexually explicit again. Hotel New Hampshire is not as explicit as Garp, but it is a far more brutal book. The characters are constantly battling rage, beatings and family tragedy. Their life is one long struggle.

Rape and rape victims appear so often in Hotel New Hampshire that one expects each new female character to have been raped. These rapes do not come from within the world of the Hotels New Hampshire, but from the degradation that has become the American Dream.

Franny, narrator John's protagonist sister, is raped by Chipper Devoe, who is a child of the American Dream. His Bostonian parents are rich, well set in society, and Chipper, who is senile, hacking, spitting on himself and his white silk pajamas; a railing bigot of Jews.

The man in the white dinner jacket, straight out of Fitzgerald's West Egg, is a bedridden waste with grand plans to use his wealth to purchase "the best death money can buy."

Despite all this, the rape, the homosexuality, the beatings, The Hotel New Hampshire is a positive novel. Irving is a liberating writer, both for readers and, especially, for other writers. What had to be passed off as absurd, or worse, never written down for fear of ridicule, has now been accepted as a viable medium for serious social messages.

It is the survival of the Berries, and their final settling into life that makes The Hotel New Hampshire a positive novel. The suffering is never allowed to rule the tone of the book. All of Irving's novels have the same plaintive irreverence in their tone, as if Irving is saying that everything is so sad and so damn funny at the same time. He, like his one-time teacher, Kurt Vonnegut, takes absurd situations and mingles them with devestation and comedy.

And Irving, like Vonnegut, also appeals to a certain audience. Both have writing styles that some people find either too bizarre or too casual to take seriously. Whether or not one will like The Hotel New Hampshire depends a lot on how the reader takes such writing — writing that in its style is finally setting itself into modern American literature.

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Pomona betters Mustang’s best

BY TOM CONLON

Cal Poly’s best just wasn’t good enough Wednesday night as the Mustang women’s basketball team dropped a 76-67 decision to California Collegiate Athletic Association rival and top-ranked Cal Poly Pomona in the Main Gym.

“It was one of the best games we’ve played,” Mustang coach Marilyn McNeil said.

Still, the Broncos’ fast-break offense and zone defense was too much for the Mustangs to handle. Poly-SLO turned the ball over 14 times while shooting just 38 percent from the floor.

“We were not moving the ball around well at all,” McNeil said.

The Mustangs spent much of their offensive time trying to work the ball inside to one of two centers — Alison Walker and Nancy Hoskin. But tough defensive play by the Broncos’ Carol Welch and Diane Lodker limited the Mustang centers to 13 shots and 10 points.

“Walker is a rookie center for us,” McNeil said. “I think she did a great job.”

However, Pomona’s Jackie White stole the show with 24 points (12 for 17 from the floor), five rebounds and four assists while playing the entire 40 minutes.

McNeil also had high praise for the Broncos’ Lisa Ulmer, who had an off night from the floor, hitting just one of five field goal attempts. Ulmer redeemed herself at the charity stripe, however, hitting six out of six attempts for a total of eight points.

Pomona’s Welch finished the night with 15 points and a game-high 10 rebounds while shooting much of the second half with four personal fouls.

Not surprisingly, Laura Buehning paced all Mustang scorers with 19 points (eight for 17 from the floor), eight rebounds and four assists while playing the entire 40 minutes.

The Mustangs pulled within one point of the Broncos 29-28 with 3:35 left in the first half, but a subsequent six-point Pomona spurt dashed Poly’s hopes for the moment as the Broncos came away with a 41-31 halftime lead.

SLO outscored Pomona in the second half 36-35, but the Mustangs never came within less than five points of the Bronco lead.

“I really think Pomona is the best Division II team in the nation,” McNeil also remarked.

The loss drops the Mustang’s conference record to 3-3, while Pomona remains on top of the OCAA with a perfect 6-0 mark. As of Wednesday, UC Riverside was in second with a 4-1 conference record followed by Chapman College at 3-2.

McNeil, who was impressed with her team’s performance against the Broncos, remains optimistic.

“We’ve been down — up until now,” she said. “But if we play like we did (Wednesday night) there isn’t going to be another team in the conference that can touch us.”

The Mustangs continue CCAA play Saturday in the Main Gym with a 5:30 p.m. tip off against Cal State Los Angeles. The game will be the front end of a double header which will feature the Mustang men square-up against Chapman at 7:30 p.m.
Robbie Martin's life has been in the Lion's den the past six months and he is looking forward to returning to it.

Martin, the 5-9 sparkplug who electrified Mustang Stadium crowds with his brilliant punt and kick returns, was one of four Mustangs from the 1980 National Champion (Division II) football team to make pro rosters this last season.

Martin was picked up by the Detroit Lions after being drafted and released by the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Robbie Martin, who finished the first of a three-year contract, is the Cal Poly all-time pass receiver and was named the Most Valuable Obispo this week nursing a hangover in Cal Poly's Napoleon Wilson, has been given the okay to return to the lid in December next season, he said.

As far as returning to Detroit next season, he says it is up to him.

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