Investigation into stolen computer baffles EL dept
by Mark Brown
Staff Writer
The investigation into the theft of a frequency spectrum analyzer from the Electronic Engineering department is ongoing and the field of suspects is being narrowed down. Public Safety Investigator Wayne Hall said, "What we're doing is interviewing all the students from the EL department that were exposed to the machine." Hall said. These students are being fingerprinted for comparison to the fingerprints found at the scene of the crime. "That doesn't mean that anyone from this group did it," Hall stressed. "We're just booking on the odds that the student who did it had exposure to the machine."

The analyzer, worth $38,000 and donated to the school by the Hewlett-Packard Corporation, was stolen from a room in Engineering East the weekend of April 16 and 17. Part of the equipment for the EL department and was used in a number of senior projects this quarter. Frank Jansen, EL equipment technician, said, "We believe they are being done to try to catch the thieves by process of elimination, Hall said. "It doesn't give them (the students) a record. It just lets us eliminate them from the crime scene," he said.

Approximately 35 to 40 students have been requested to submit fingerprints, Hall said, and about half of them have responded so far. If the students get nervous and don't want to give their fingerprints, it would then be easier for the investigators to get a court order for the prints, Hall explained.

In addition to the fingerprinting, the students are being questioned for possible leads in the case. "They're giving us ideas. We ask for leads and ideas, ask if they've heard any rumors," said Hall.

The students are also shown some of the physical evidence recovered from the crime scene to see if any of them can connect it with a suspect. Hall said.

Additionally, bulletins have gone out to all electronic, electrical engineering companies and law enforcement agencies in the state in case the analyzer surfaces anywhere, he added.

The theft is one of several that have occurred. Cal Poly investigators had a fairly quiet Poly Royal weekend, Hall said. The department was open as usual and mainly of controlling the crowds and traffic. Hall said, with the only arrests being those of two juveniles on charges of shoplifting in Ell Corral on Friday, April 22. The two 17-year-old males were apprehended by store security personnel while being questioned for possible leads in the case.

Murphy and another Food Service worker, who wishes to remain unnamed, said food was served close enough to the book stacks to be a potential danger to the books.

The anonymous worker also said several minor spills being drawn up to create a reduction of the fee for people before they move in and after they move out. If the proposal is passed, each of these inspections would cost $15.

The Landlord Tenant Inspection Service is a nonprofit branch of the Human Relations Commission, and is completely funded by user fees. For further information on the Landlord Tenant Inspection Service, contact the Human Relations Commission office at 979-1600 or 541-1000. The office is located at 979 Palm St. directly across from City Hall.

Academic Senate queries general ed supervision
by Teresa Mariani
Staff Writer
The Academic Senate has asked the General Education and Brethford Committees to propose a resolution to create a tenant office at 544-3050. The office is located at 979 Palm St. directly across from City Hall.

Some members of the Senate voiced worries over "a three-member clique" overseeing GE administration, which they want a guarantee of representation of non-GE departments on the subcommittees. The Senate referred the matter to the General Education and Brighthed Committees and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for joint study.

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Reagan asks for 'good news'

NEW YORK (AP)—President Reagan exhorted America's newspaper publishers Wednesday to recognize the "good news" in the blossoming economy and, in defending the interior secretary, admitted the controversial official had made "careless remarks."

In reply to questions, Reagan acknowledged that Interior Secretary James G. Watt has "become quite a lightning rod" and "may be sometimes he asks for it by careless remarks."

But he defended Watt's environmental record, saying that during the Carter administration "the funding for the maintenance and upkeep of our nation's parks had been literally on a starvation diet..."

Admitting that the Interior Department was "nearing the end of its budget," Reagan called for more "good news." The 10 most powerful municipal unions demanded more pay, school bills piling up at an alarming rate and buses and trains that don't get enough from tokens to pay their way. "Like the first black mayors of New Orleans, Detroit or Atlanta, Washington also will confront racial fears—aggravated by a bitter, dirty campaign."

Echoing a challenge made earlier this year to the administration by the nation's newspapers.

Chicago mayor faces problems

CHICAGO (AP)—After winning what he called Chicago's "most exciting election," Harold Washington claimed City Hall on Friday as the city's first black mayor.

Like most big-city mayors, Washington will grapple with powerful municipal unions demanding more pay, school boards piling up at an alarming rate and buses and trains that don't get enough from tokens to pay their way.

Like the first black mayor of New Orleans, Detroit or Atlanta, Washington also will confront racial fears—aggravated by a bitter, dirty campaign.

Teens' late driving may be cut

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—Teen-age drivers who have things to do between midnight and 5 a.m. will need to take a bus or beg rides from their folks or other older people if California's Legislature passes a driving curfew bill.

The bill by Assemblyman Alastar McAllister, D-Fremont, passed the Assembly Transportation Committee unanimously Tuesday, then moved to the Ways and Means Committee for another hearing.

The curfew proposal, which would make it illegal for drivers under 18 to be on the road between midnight and 5 a.m., exempts teen-agers who have to drive during curfew hours for job or medical reasons.

But there are no exceptions for teens who may be studying late at a library, babysitting or out socializing with friends.

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Club duplicates plants by cloning with culture

by Marilyn Freeman

"Don't Be Alone, Take Home A Class," was the theme of the Tissue Culture Club's display Poly Royal weekend at the Ornamental Horticulture Club.

The clones they are talking about are tiny plants derived from fast-tissue propagation techniques practiced by the Tissue Culture Club.

Tissue culture propagation is a technique which allows the exact duplication of plants at a much faster rate than conventional propagation practices, said Scott Flammar, president of the Tissue Culture Club.

"Unlike growing plants from seeds, propagated plants contain the genetic makeup of only one plant," said Flammar.

The Tissue Culture Club spends most of its time and money attempting to perfect its plant tissue propagation techniques.

"It is a relatively simple process," said Flammar. "However, we run into some problems with the contamination of the plant growing medium."

The medium is a combination of various hormones, a solidifying solution, sucrose and vitamins. Half-inch cuts from plant leaves are placed in a petri-dish with the medium. The plant and the medium must remain absolutely sterile in order for plants to grow.

A piece of equipment called a laminar flow bench is used to accomplish the task of placing the plant tissues in the medium.

The bench blows out sterile air while the student is working. A green line has been drawn in the middle of the bench to which marks the boundary between the sterile and contaminated atmosphere.

"Sometimes the plants become contaminated," said Flammar. "But we have to expect that. A lot of our members are just learning. We learn by our mistakes."

Only one class is offered in tissue culture propagation at Cal Poly. Tissue Culture Club members are not required to take this class before joining, said Flammar. "We show new members the procedure.

"In the fall we have an orientation meeting for anyone who is interested in learning the procedure," said Flammar.

The Tissue Culture Club now produces five different plants as enterprise projects.

Orchids, violets, flowering butterworts and sundews are all produced from tissues in the tissue culture laboratory at the OH unit.

"We also grow impatiens," said Flammar. "But they are not grown from tissues. It can be very expensive to produce plants from tissue, especially with the mistakes made in the learning process.

The impatiens are our makemoney. We barely break even on the tissue propagated plants.

Of the five enterprise projects, the flowering butterworts and sundews are the most popular. These plants are "insectivorous" plants. They are used to trap and kill various insects such as gnats and flies.

"People have developed an interest in the insectivorous plants," said Flammar. "We usually sell a lot of them at Poly Royal."

The "cloned" plants were placed into tiny glass jars for selling at Poly Royal. The plants are about an inch tall and are still growing in the nutrient medium when they are sold.

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Associate Professor Ray Nakamura and his daughter Wendy enjoy a food break at Poly Royal.

Poly Royal offers edible treats

by Mary Hennessey

The exhibits are nice, the animals are cute, but after a Monday morning weigh-in the best part of Poly Royal seems to stick out...the food.

From won tons to frozen bananas, Poly Royal food concessioners lured hungry spectators to their booths to feed them with delights. But a few of the delights were exceptionally mouth-watering.

Chocolate croissants were sold in front of the Architecture Building. They melted in your mouth and in your hands but the end result was a tummy full of a satisfying, flaky treat.

There were the artichokes hearts sold in front of the Agriculture Building right next to the super barbecued ribs--a nice appetizer before digging into the cow bones. The hearts were very tender and cooked with a sweetener that made them a delicious artichoke lovers can appreciate.

Of course there were a number of other fillers to be found at the multitude of Poly Royal booths. Tostadas, egg rolls, barbecued chicken and cotton candy all tease the nose as they walked by in the hands of some eager consumer.

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Airstrip reflects episodes from American history

by Margie Cooper

Down from the horse corrals on the northeastern edge of campus, students can trace the outline of an airstrip, part of Cal Poly’s once famous airport. Although the airstrip is used today for aeronautical research and laboratory training, its historical significance goes back more than 50 years, according to records and files found in the Robert Kennedy Library Archives.

In the early days of aviation, one of the first planes built and flown on the West coast was constructed at Cal Poly by aeronautical students. The monoplane, “Glen-Mont” named after H. Glenn Warren, first head of the aeronautical department and instructor John Montijo, was built as a replica of Lindbergh’s “Spirit of St. Louis.” Equipped with a 250 horsepower motor, the six passenger plane made a successful flight on March 17, 1933. A taper wing bi-plane (also student constructed) was completed in 1930 with the cow pasture used as a run- way. It was not until 1938 that a primitive airstrip was built.

During the 1940’s, the U.S. Navy utilized Cal Poly aviation facilities to train over 3,500 cadets in their Naval Flight Preparatory School. After the war, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Camp San Luis received permission from the college to use the airstrip for training exercises in surveying and construction. Besides building the Aero Hanger, the Corps expanded the runway to its present size—2,900 feet long by 200 feet wide.

According to archive records, Cal Poly asked the Federal Aviation Administration to rescind the airport permit in 1974 and proceed to shut down operations. This decision was based partly on the danger of aircrafts using a direct approach flight pattern which brought them directly over the campus.

A former University President Robert Kennedy said he felt the original airstrip site was “badly chosen, being exposed to crosswinds.” The airstrip was reopened in 1975, according to Raymond Gordon, aeronautical and mechanical engineering department head, but only for academic research and training.

Amendments were made in the Campus Administrative Manual limiting campus aircraft activity. Students could no longer fly planes from the airstrip and licensed experienced pilots (other than students) may only fly aircrafts from the airstrip for instructional or experimental research purposes.

The School of Agriculture and Natural Resource Management and Aeronautical Engineering share the field today.

Senate foresees add/drop problems

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In reviewing the student-initiated add/drop proposal, the Senate felt that worries about extended paperwork and student forgery required more study.

The proposal would require students to obtain an instructor’s signature in order to add or drop a class and students would be responsible for filling add/drop forms with the records office. All other CSU campuses use some form of student initiated add/drops.

The Senate noted that processing add/drop forms from 15,000 students instead of 700-800 teachers could be a strain on campus computers. Some senators voiced their concern that students might forge an instructor’s signature to add a class.

Before the senate referred the proposal back to the committee for further study, one senator jokingly proposed a solution to current add/drop congestion: levy a fee on students dropping a class and auction off spaces to the highest bidding student. Laughter was the only action the Senate took on the tongue-in-cheek proposal.

The Academic Senate meets next Tuesday in its regularly scheduled session in the University Union Room 230 at 8 p.m.
If it's not rain, it's pain as suckers lose 3 more

After waiting through a weekend of rainouts, the Cal Poly baseball team was finally able to complete a trio of games Monday and Tuesday in southern California.

But the Mustangs dropped all three contests, including a single game to Cal Poly Pomona and a double-header to Cal State Domingues Hills, and now they really have a sinking feeling. Poly, whose California Collegiate Athletic Association mark has plummeted to 6-12 after a final script in all three losses.

Their 6-12 record leaves the Mustangs struggling in a fourth-place tie with Cal Poly, whose California Collegiate Athletic Association mark has plummeted to 6-12 after absorbing a 9-6 setback Wednesday.

Against Pomona, the Mustangs were trailing 6-2 going into the third inning, closing the gap to 7-6 before absorbing a 9-6 setback. The win left the Broncos at 13-6 in the CCAA and tied for first place with Cal State Norther.

Domingues Hills scored four times in the first frame of Tuesday's opening contest and tallied six runs in the second inning of the second game as it swept the twinbill, 9-4, 9-2.

Infield conferences were common this week for Coach Harr and Co.

In the sixth, Poly got a run back when Mustang second baseman Rob Lambert, who was three for five and leads the team in hitting, whacked a lead-off triple and walked home on Hugh Williamson's single. Williamson picked up another RBI in the seventh and Lambert also knocked in two runs.

In game two, Gregg Alexander made his first appearance on the mound for the Mustangs since the second game of the season. But he never made it through the second as three walks, an error, a passed ball, and a two-run single and finally Ray Mondon's RBI triple forced Poly head coach to call Mike Briere out of his bullpen to kill the rally.

Monty Walls stroked two hits in three at-bats for the Mustangs and Jeff Estabrook and Steve Noel each had a RBI.

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Tough isn't enough for track's utility woman

by Mike Mathison

Staff Writer

Arleen Van Warmerdam sat on the grass in front of the gym and smiled. "I'm a country girl, and we're tough."

That's my girl, and I'm proud of her. She'll head north with her talents and abilities, and I'm sure she'll have the potential to run with the best of them. As she said, "I'm not a girl who has a lot of self-esteem. I have the potential to run with the best of them, but I have to believe in myself."

Van Warmerdam has topped the 400, 800, and 1,500 meters this season. She has set personal records in the 400 (55.64) and 800 meters, and has the potential to run with the best of them. "I'm not a girl who has a lot of self-esteem. I have the potential to run with the best of them, but I have to believe in myself."}

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President Reagan has vowed to continue peace-keeping efforts in the Middle East, despite last week’s bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Beirut. And the President is to be commended for continuing the United States’ role as peacemaker in that area. As Reagan said, the families of the 17 Americans who died in the blast would want that quest for peace to continue.

But the plan that Reagan has proposed—and has been advocating since September, 1982—is still unacceptable for the American people and for Israel.

Ever since becoming a state in 1948, Israel has been a strong ally to the United States and has been a country the U.S. could count on in the strategic area known as the Middle East. During the 38 years of Israel’s existence, it has been under constant ridicule from the Arab nations that surround it. The day Israel became a state was attacked by Jordan, Syria and Egypt—an obvious violation of the United Nations charter which set up Israel’s boundaries.

One year later the fighting stopped, but Jordan occupied the West Bank and remained in control of it until 1967. In 1967, Jordan, again acting with Egypt and Syria, tried to better its position. This time, however, it was defeated by Israel. It is obvious then that Israel’s recovery of the West Bank in 1967 was lawful because the U.N. charter still states that this land belongs to Israel.

A short 18-mile strip of land separates the West Bank from the Mediterranean Sea. If Israel withdraws from its lawful occupation of the West Bank, which touches Jerusalem, the state could be cut in half by terrorist forces taking over that important 18-mile strip of land.

The president advocates Israel’s withdrawal from the West Bank. This approach would put a Jordanian knife at Israel’s throat.

The United States can help by working toward a peace treaty between Jordan and Israel—one that would allow for only the local West Bank autonomy of the Palestinians currently living there.

Israel was given a state and should be able to keep it. Any agreement that does not guarantee the security of Israel will only lead to more Middle East fighting.

Let President Reagan know that you want peace for all the countries involved—but not at the expense of giving up the very strategic region of the West Bank.

Letters

Live for today

Editor:

As I sit in class today waiting to take a psychology quiz, I heard a message and all too frequent remark from a classmate that I quoted to myself: “If you are going to die, it will be great.” This student was referring to how glad she will be after her two tests are over. I have heard times before that I have heard this state of mind expressed, and I have experienced it myself, you see me.

How many happy days, weeks, or even years of our lives do we lose to this attitude? We tend to live for tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow. Furthermore, we assume that tomorrow will be better than today, but will it?

Perhaps for some of us fortunate ones, life will be filled with happiness. Many of us, however, will never be happier than we are today. We may find good jobs, great marriages, and have children, but will we really be happier or will we imagine how great things will be “after tomorrow”?

Think about it. Are you depriving yourself of the irreplaceable gift of life? If you are, change your outlook on life. A new day will begin every morning, not just to make up for yesterday, but to make the most of today.

Jerry Sheahan

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Editor:

We wish to express our appreciation to the Mustang Daily and to reporter Margaret Wells for the article about Cal Poly’s National Championship Debate Team. One very important aspect needs to be mentioned in addition to the information in the story, which concerns the support from the students at Cal Poly. Only because of the additional funding from the ASI and the IRA Board was the trip possible. We feel whatever credit or honors are due should be shared by those two groups whose faith in our chances was matched by a generous contribution. We wish to acknowledge them publicly with our thanks.

Maureen McCurry, Co-Captain
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Correction

The April 26 Mustang Daily misreported the number of people attending Poly Royal last year. Over 11000 people came to the 1982 Poly Royal and at least as many attended this year’s event.

Letters

Who’s being cheated?

Editor:

I want to thank you for publishing the article entitled “Methods of cheating become sophisticated.” I know it hit home to a lot of people at Cal Poly, both those who cheat and those who don’t. It was a well expressed article and one that should be printed once or twice a year, in order to expose what is really happens in Cal Poly’s classrooms.

I’m a senior here at Cal Poly and have observed cheating similar to the technique described in Mark Brown’s article for almost four years now. I always tried to ignore those who cheat as I only felt they were cheating themselves, but sometimes it just can’t be ignored. My major concentration has a very small enrollment and because of this the upper-division courses are small and the competition is great. When the cheating takes place in these classes it affects the curve, which in turn ruins the chances for the honest students to receive the higher grades. It’s depress- ing, frustrating, and demoralizing and what’s worse, many instructors know the cheating is taking place. I believe a better adherence to the university policy on M.C. should be enforced by those instructors who are ignoring it.

I strongly disagree with one of Mr. Ciano’s statements in the article regarding cheating. He stated, “It’s not that big a problem at Cal Poly;” If Mr. Ciano were to become a student for a few weeks, he would definitely see different­ly. Honest students who observe this cheating within their classes are hesitant to expose their cheating peers to the authorities because in many cases those cheaters are their friends outside of the classroom. Also, students feel reluctant to expose cheaters for fear of what consequences might result on their part. Besides, it is the responsibility and duty on the part of the instructors at Cal Poly to see that cheating does not take place in their classes, not the responsibility of the honest students.

As Hensett, Concerned Student

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Editor:

As the current president of SATIATE (Students Against Tasteless Idiotic Advertising Throughout Elections), I would like to formally extend our support for the candidate who has the least in­ stipid advertising campaign during the decision elections. We believe an organiza­ tion whose sole purpose is to stamp out the flocks of fluttering fliers picturing pristine PepsiCo products. We would like to encourage all students to join us in voting for candidates whose names and face you see the least in XOR form, and the most in black ink.

Bradley Dyruff
President, SATIATE