Ex-rebel: problems complex in Nicaragua

By Kimberly Patraw

There are no easy solutions for the problems facing Nicaragua, an ex-Sandinista told an audience in Chumash Auditorium Monday night.

Humberto Belli, once a member of the rebel Sandinistas when they were fighting to overthrow the Somoza regime, said he has become disillusioned with the Nicaraguan government and the Marxist/Leninist teachings.

“What was a dream of fulfillment became a nightmare for the Nicaraguans,” said Belli of the present government. He believes that censorship and religious persecution are at their worst in the country, even as compared to the Somoza dictatorship.

Belli said that at its height the Sandinista rebellion never had more than 5,000 guerrillas, whereas the Contras have approximately 15,000 fighters.

The native Nicaraguan said that his personal disappiontment with the greed and corruption he saw in the government and his conversion to Christianity led to his disapproval of the Sandinistas.

Belli said he believes that current American aid to the Contras is only prolonging the bloodshed.

He said Americans did not learn their lesson in Vietnam. “You cannot fight a war that you are not determined to win,” Belli explained.

The only course for the United States now is to “pay the price or get out,” but leaving means accepting “a red Central America with Mexico as the only buffer,” Belli stated.

He added that the American government supported the Somoza regime, the Sandinista rebels (after they came to power), and now the Contra rebels.

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Wire service installed

KCPR gets breaking news

By Jennifer Manor

Cal Poly radio station KCPR will be able to keep listeners better informed of the latest news with the recent installation of an Associated Press broadcast wire service machine.

The wire machine was put into operation on a 24-hour basis Jan. 9 after an installation fee of $300. The annual cost of the service is $4,300 which includes transmission of information, paper, ribbons and general maintenance of the machine.

Facility adviser for the radio station, Ray Tippo, said the price of the service is based on an educational rate. Commercial radio sta-
A case of ignorance

White House officials have been practically begging the Senate Intelligence Committee recently to release the committee's report on the Iran-Contra arms scandal. The reason they want the report released? Because it indicates President Reagan had no knowledge of what was going on.

In other words, Reagan Administration officials want to make sure Americans know the president is ignorant. At first glance, this appears rather odd. But consider the alternative: If the report showed that Reagan was aware of what was going on under his roof.

It started out last month in the central Chinese city of Hefei, where students protesting against China's political system marched through police cordons and demanded unspecified democracy. At this point, China's communist aristocracy took action. Newspapers carried editorials urging students to give up their protests, and they were watered down.

A salute to student courage

For the past month, while America has been caught up in Christmas shopping, something extraordinary has been happening on the other side of the world. Tens of thousands of college students in China, many of them technical students, the nation's educational elite, have taken to the streets in protest.

Recent events prove the executive branch has been rolling along unchecked. This reeks of the policy-making system that has sputtered occasionally, but has worked well during the nearly 200 years it has been in operation.

Though this system has sputtered occasionally, it has worked well during the nearly 200 years it has been in operation. This system, the executive branch, appears to be unchecked by the chief executive. Because of this situation, all Americans should be happy the Iran-Contra scandal has come to light.
Employee arrested in hotel fire

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — A Dupont Plaza Hotel maintenance worker was arrested Tuesday and charged with 96 counts of murder for the New Year's Eve fire at the posh hotel.

The hotel worker, Hector Escudero Aponte, was the first person arrested in the case, but Justice Secretary Hector Rivera Cruz said officials believed he had not acted alone.

Rivera Cruz said in a statement that Escudero Aponte was charged with "setting fire to the Dupont Plaza Hotel on New Year's Eve, in agreement with others." But he said the investigation was continuing and therefore he could provide no further information.

Escudero Aponte, a Teamsters union member, went to the hotel about 2 p.m. Dec. 31 and set the fire shortly after a union meeting broke up. The fire killed 96 people and injured about 140 people.

Plane crash kills man, starts fire

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A small plane crashed into a warehouse of recreational vehicle parts Tuesday, killing the pilot and starting a fire after the Cessna 210's motor sputtered and lost its lift and dropped, airport spokeswoman Jean Granucci said.

The plane was based at Whiteman, she said, and had taken off from Whiteman Air Park in Pacoima.

"According to observers on the ground, the engine backfired a couple of times and the pilot appeared to be turning around and going back to the runway when the plane appeared to stall and lost its lift and dropped," airport spokeswoman Jean Granucci said.

The plane was based at Whiteman, she said, and had taken off to the north without a flight plan at 7:15 a.m. After the apparent stall, the plane crashed on the metal roof of a nearby Whiteman Manufacturing Co. building used to store RV parts approximately 20 miles northwest of downtown, she said.
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**Calendar**

**Wednesday 14**
- Sign-ups for classes at the Craft Center will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the University Union Craft Center. For details call x1266.
- Fall quarter grades will be given out from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday in University Union Plaza, or in Mustang Lounge if it rains.

**Thursday 15**
- Fall quarter grades will be given out from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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- The freedom of religion and freedom of speech violations which he claims are a part of the Sandinista government. He was an editor on the Managua newspaper La Prensa in 1982 when he said total censorship made him unable to do his job. The 60-year-old paper was shut down by the Sandinistas in June 1986.

When asked to comment on the allegations of human rights violations on both sides, he explained:

- The ex-Sandinista said allegations that the hostile position of the United States has contributed to the repression of the Nicaraguan government over its people are false. Repression by the government began before the threat of the Contras. He read from a "secret document" which he said shows the anti-religious intent of the government before the United States began funding the Contra rebels.

- While Belli was critical of the Nicaraguan government, he also sees the Contras as factionalized and lacking leadership: puppets of the CIA and the American government. He hopes the Sandinistas and the Contras can sit down together, resolve their problems, and create a free and unified Nicaragua. However, he believes that the possibilities for such an agreement are small.

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Survey says:
Denim hangs tough in campus fashion scene

Choosing what to wear to school has long been a concern of most college students. Deciding whether to look preppy, sporty, like a surfer or even to avoid having a "look" takes up time in the mornings of many a student.

Deciding to tap into a potential wealth of customers, Levi Strauss & Co., makers of several popular styles of blue jeans, conducted a survey of college students to determine their fashion tastes and the "look" of various campuses.

More than 7,700 college students from 25 campuses across the country were polled in spring of 1986 but the only California campus at which the poll was conducted was Stanford University.

Predictably, the majority of Stanford students said the "look" at the university is preppy/conservative and that Michael J. Fox is the celebrity whose taste in fashion they most admire, although Don Johnson came in a close second.

Stanford students overwhelmingly agreed that their blue jeans were the one apparel item they would consider their best friend and that shrink-to-fit, tight and faded jeans were their favorite styles on members of the opposite sex.

Levi's 501 jeans were far and away the favorite jeans of Stanford students, no doubt a welcome result for Levi's. More than half of the respondents said they wear jeans 75 percent of the time or more.

Despite the meticulous tabulating methods used by Levi Strauss & Co., Mustang Daily was skeptical that Stanford students could accurately represent all California college students. Indeed, the eclectic combination of Cal Poly students who hail from such culturally diverse places as the San Fernando Valley to the San Joaquin Valley deserved to be represented by their own poll.

Here now are the results from an informal Mustang Daily survey conducted shortly before finals last December, complete with some of the more interesting comments.

The Winners
Respondents were first asked to choose from a list of celebrities whose taste in fashion they most admire and to write in names if none of the ones on the list interested them.

While votes were quite divided on this issue, Cybill Shepherd came in first place with 14 percent of the vote and was described as eminently sensual, classy yet not overdressed and feminine but not prissy. Michael J. Fox took second place with 9 percent of the vote because, as one senior said, "he's normal, nothing alarming, nothing too dull.”

Bruce Springsteen, Sting, Molly Ringwald and Don Johnson made respectable showings. One student commented that Springsteen "could be asked for all I care, what a voice!” Someone obviously not impressed with Ringwald's fashion taste said "the clothes fit the name.” Explaining why Johnson did not rank as high as he may have last year, one student commented, "Last year it was very funny going into a night club and seeing 30 or so "Don Johnsons" trying to psyche each other out. I think his time is over.”

The Losers
Madonna, Michael Jackson, Simon Le Bon, Jennifer Beals and George Michael each did very poorly with Prince and Cindy Lauper doing the worst. Jackson was said to make a great wall fixture at a disco. There were several comments pertaining to Michael's sexual preference, but none that warranted inclusion.

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Freshman Makes Splash
On Cal Poly Swim Team

By Sandra Coffey, Staff Writer

After competing in national swimming meets and qualifying for Olympic time trials, 18-year-old Kelly Hayes has brought her class swimming act to Cal Poly.

Hayes set Cal Poly records for the 50- and 100-yard freestyle swimming events in the first two meets of the season against Fresno State and UC Santa Barbara. Hayes actually set records twice by first setting Cal Poly’s fastest times in the two events against Fresno and then improving the already-record times the following week against UCSB. Her university record times for the 100 and 50 freestyle are 53.6 and 24.6, respectively.

Hayes said she was shocked at her times. "I knew they wouldn’t be slow because I was too excited and felt really strong, as if I had been training for a long time, but I had only been training for six weeks."

She explained that she had been doing research on positive thinking and that she felt it had done a lot for her swimming. "If you’re in as good a shape as you can be, then your performance is 99.9 percent in your head."

Hayes said she was introduced to the water soon after she was born, when her mother began putting her in the pool. She started swimming when she was five years old, and became serious about the sport at the age of 10.

After her freshman year at San Ramon High School in Danville, Hayes moved to Canada with her mother and trained with a swim club. It was in Canada that she swam in nationals and qualified for the 1984 Olympic time trials in the 100-meter backstroke. Although Hayes didn’t make it to the Olympics, she placed 19th out of more than 200 swimmers.

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brands with the phrase "days gone by." Despite a respectable budget-minded student remarked that she buys "whatever's on sale and fits."

The Winners

Finally, respondents were asked to estimate what percentage of the time they wear jeans. Twenty-six percent said they wear their jeans 85 percent of the time or more but only a handful of those were women. Thirty-two percent wear jeans 75 percent of the time or more. On the average, Cal Poly students wear jeans 71 percent of the time.

The Losers

One spoiled sport said he wears jeans only when feeding the dog, thus proving you can't please all of the people all of the time.

Hayes

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Hayes said that during her junior year in Canada, she began seriously thinking about what would happen to her swimming career after high school. "I wanted to keep swimming, but Canada didn't offer college scholarships and they don't give very much recognition to athletes," Hayes said.

After completing her junior year in Canada, she decided to move back to California and once again swim for San Ramon High School.

It was at a swim meet at Fresno State during her senior year that Hayes met Cal Poly swim coach Bob Madrigal. Madrigal approached her at the meet and asked her if she was interested in attending Cal Poly. Later on, she visited the campus and decided to accept Madrigal's offer.

Hayes said she wasn't given a scholarship to attend Cal Poly, but was offered a full scholarship to the University of the Pacific and a partial scholarship to Arizona State University. She said she chose Cal Poly for academic reasons and for swimming.

Hayes explained that although she could have attended a university with an NCAA Division I swim team, she wanted to swim as much as she could and that it would be easier to do so at a university with a Division II swim team, such as Cal Poly.

This is Hayes' first season with the Mustangs, and she is happy with the program. "I think it's a great swimming program, and the team is so much fun, and supportive."

Hayes said her goal for the rest of the season is to improve her times, and have a good time while she does it. She'd also like to place well at the NCAA nationals. Hayes said she thinks she'll do well the next two years, when she anticipates reaching her peak performance.

After graduation, Hayes said her swimming career will end. But with interests in bodybuilding and weightlifting as well as triathlon competition, Hayes assured us of a continued athletic career.