**Dukakis' son returns to promote STARS**

**By Karen Williams**

John Dukakis, son of Democratic presidential hopeful Michael Dukakis, voiced his father's viewpoints last Thursday night at Farmers' Market.

Dukakis, the national political coordinator for the Democratic campaign, discussed several radical changes to the educational system that had been proposed by his father.

In an exclusive Mustang Daily interview, Dukakis, 30, discussed his father's suggested student loan program called STARS (Student Tuition and Repayment System) and his commitment to educational assistance.

"There has been an annual assault on Pell Grants... by (the current) administration," said Dukakis.

Dukakis asserted that many students would not be enrolled today if it were not for Congress, which he credited with raising grant limits.

In the past, his father has quadrupled scholarship aid in Massachusetts since the federal government has not kept pace with demand.

STARS financial aid program would not replace current financial aid system, but would act as a supplement.

"Obviously, Pell Grants and Guaranteed Student Loans have to be the centerpiece of financial aid for new and for some time," said the 30-year-old.

Under STARS, students would begin paying back loan monies on a "sliding scale" after graduation.

This method of repayment would be a unique part of the STARS program. The amount paid after graduation would depend upon an individual's income rather than the amount borrowed.

Loan payments would be deducted automatically from paychecks in a manner similar to social security deductions.

Individuals in a higher income bracket would be required to make larger payments than those who earn less, Dukakis said.

He said this "sliding scale" method of repayment is fair.

"The whole idea of financial aid now is based on financial need... It is equitable to do it (pay back loans) based on people's ability to pay," said Dukakis.

"If we are going to move towards a time where every student who is qualified to do college work and is admitted to college can do it, then we are going to have to make sure that we set up a system that enables that to happen.

The candidate's plan also specifies a longer repayment period.

"The idea behind the STARS program is not to completely replace the system right now, but to plan for the future," said Dukakis.

Dukakis believes that his father could face Congress around the STARS program if he were elected and is confident that Congress would support STARS.

According to Dukakis, his father has also proposed a National Teaching Excellence Fund, which would be a $300 million dollar investment in its first year.

The plan would provide teachers with incentives and in some cases advanced training.

"The whole idea behind this is to return teaching to... what it once was: a valued and honored profession."

Dukakis predicts an upcoming teaching crisis, because he says 50 percent of the nation's current teaching force will qualify for retirement in about 10 years.

According to Dukakis, "there will not be..."

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**Prop 78 vital, says dean**

**By Jeffrey Blizzard**

The construction of five new buildings on campus, worth $28 million, is at state unless voters approve Proposition 78 in November, said Douglas Gerard, executive dean of facilities administration.

In addition, said Gerard, the initiative would allow Cal Poly to increase its full-time student enrollment since the new buildings would accommodate more students.

Prop. 78, the Higher Education Facilities Act of 1988, would provide $600 million in general obligation bonds to help build new buildings and improvements for California State University campuses, the University of California system and California community colleges.

The campus projects which would be funded by the ballot measure are the Student Services building, which would house counseling, employment placement and testing services now in Horen Hall; the addition to the Business Administration building; the new Faculty Offices building, with 95 offices; the Dairy Science Phase 1 project; the Recreation Sports building.

Plans for the Student Services building and the Business Administration addition have been drawn and approved, Gerard said. If voters approve Prop. 78, construction on both could begin by March 1989, he said.

However, if voters reject the ballot measure, Cal Poly would be unable to increase enrollment of full-time students from its current 14,200 to 15,000 by the 1991-92 school year, as outlined in the university master plan, Gerard said.

But Gerard believes voters will not turn their backs on the chronic shortage of funds available for construction on college and university campuses.

"The people of the state have never seen a bond measure for higher education," he said.

"It is possible," said Gerard, "that voters could be frustrated by the complicated issues and language on the Nov. 8 ballot, and reject ballot measures because they do not understand them.

"I don't think it's going to happen but it's a possibility," Gerard said.

Gerard has written to contractors, engineers and architects asking for their "financial and moral support" for Prop. 78, since they have a financial interest in whether construction takes place on campus.

Leslie Ramsey, administrative assistant to Assemblymember Eric Seastread (R-Salinas), said the California Senate and Assembly voted 66-2 in March to place the proposition on the Nov. 8 ballot.

Seastread, who's 29th district includes San Luis Obispo County, voted in favor of placing the measure on the ballot.

Ramsey said Seastread has been supportive of higher education and campus construction.

Adie Sie, president of the League of Women Voters of San Luis Obispo, said a report listing pro and con arguments on Prop. 78 will be available by Oct. 15 in the Robert E. Kennedy Library.

A plan by the California State University system to create more parking space on some CSU campuses has hiked Cal Poly student parking fees by 60 percent.

The fees were raised from $37.50 to $12 per month, which calculates to $108 a year.

Like other students, Jim Lenihan, a third-year history major, was surprised by the increase.

"That's ridiculous," Lenihan said. "That's way too much. I'm not getting a parking permit."

Biochemistry senior Joel Stevens said that although he didn't like paying more for a parking permit, he would probably buy one.

"I'm kind of a sheep when it comes to things like that," Stevens said. "I'll just pay it."

According to Janice Walker of the CSU chancellor's office, the money raised from the parking fee increase will be used to construct and maintain parking lots and multi-level parking structures on campuses that have serious parking problems.

California State Universities at Long Beach, Northridge and San Francisco are three campuses that have significant shortages, Walker said.

Cal Poly students who park on campus lost 65 parking spaces this fall due to construction of the Foundation office building, and could lose 400 to 420 more if Proposition 78 passes in November, said Douglas Gerard, dean of facilities administration.

The initiative would help fund construction of an addition to the Business Administration building, a new Student Services building and a Rec Sports Center, Gerard said. The construction would allow planned student enrollment increase but would decrease parking availability.

Prop. 78 is a $600 million bond issue to provide capital outlay for higher education, Gerard explained. If it passes, the money would be used by the University of California, CSU and the California community college systems, he said.

Because the state provides no money for parking lots or structures for university campuses, Walker said the parking fee hike was the "best way" to raise the needed revenue, adding that the increase was system-wide.

The parking fees charged by see INCREASE, page 11.
**Opinion**

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**Letters to the Editor**

**WOW issue ripped apart**

**Editor** — For the sake of my own idealistic world I would like to believe your faculty adviser is still on vacation when the WOW cover was approved.

I understand with the story on the inside of that edition, page 21, about AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases as well as the international statistics of AIDS, that you could honestly think you could have your cake and eat it too.

Did you read page 21 of your own paper? Do you give a damn about the students attending this college for the first time? Did you ever consider the responsibility you might have to the parents, this school, your advertisers, San Luis County, the nation and the world?

I think not. I hardly believe that you have the potential to move on to a distinguished newspaper if there are the type of "creative" ideas you publish.

Please don't lean back on the constitution or your right to creative expression. I could have taken that shot with a Polaroid.

Not only have you distorted your marketing objective, you have persisted so strongly in being recognized to yourselves you have completely disregarded the most prominent ideals of yourselves.

Integrity, ethics, and social responsibility are not just words, they are the foundation of this field. You have torn to the ground the only checks and balances this society has to fight corruption on all levels.

You probably won't care that I will not read your paper but then again I don't think Star or Engquirer will miss my business much either. Part of me feels like I just walked out of a five-year marriage that went bad, but I know I stayed till death do us part.

Kerry Mark

**Polytechnic nightmare**

**Editor** — Not only are students faced with the imperfections of CAPTURE and its apparent absence from campus, the administration has also seen fit to cancel classes generated through CAR last month. The CRC 427 Desktop Publishing class met last Tuesday, only to be told by the instructor he is no longer allowed to generously donate his time to teach a course above his normal load. The most useful technical class I have had above my normal load. The most useful technical class I have had above my normal load has been my microcomputer lab and lecture capacity, had a lab and lecture room assigned and equipment.

The drug issue is very clear. The U.S. government should legalize drugs, and allow the American Medical Association to regulate the industry. With their expertise they will standardize doses, thus reducing the risk of overdoing, and getting "bad" drugs. Establish a network of non-profit and profit organizations such as the Salvation Army, Good Will, religious organizations, and many others to provide drug treatment and rehabilitation centers. With over information, research and understanding will be improved. Jalie as liquor andphetamines, somewhat pay for cancer research and alcohol abuse centers.

Distribution of funds should be audited by competent accounting firms, not the IRS. The government's only role will be to negotiate drugs legal.

The advantages to this proposal will benefit society as a whole. With legalization, the criminal element will no longer be needed to supply the demand, thus crime will be reduced. Our overburdened legal system will be freed up because prosecutors and defense attorneys associated with drug use, would not be necessary. The CIA, FBI, military, local and state law enforcement personnel will be able to get back to more threatening issues, and thus protect us against bodily harm.

Drug abuse will reduce our tax burden for housing criminals, thus improving the quality of our life not prisoners. Also, it would eliminate mounds of government regulations, thus curtailing government growth and spending. The legalization of drugs will also change the new industry with unlimited growth potential, creating new jobs in farming, trucking, manufacturing, retailing, and sales.

After realizing drug use is a social dilemma and not a criminal one, one of our international relations will improve with foreign countries because ethnocentrism is no longer tolerated in the world. As one of our top priorities, one of our top priorities, one of our top priorities we should consider placing a proposal before Congress.

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**Access**

*By Raymond Husum*

**Drugs: make them legal**

The recent developments and attitudes toward drug use in America amaze me. The epidemic which has hit the United States and Reagan administration have blown out of proportion is an ingrained part of American society, like it or not. To believe it is not, one would have to look back to December 5, 1933, and take a close look at our 21st amendment (end of prohibition).

Though the drug has changed, the attitudes are the same. The drug in question is cocaine. The recent drug bill passed by the House of Representatives is a contributing factor to America's epidemic fury to rid our society of drugs. The drug bill calls for excessive use of the armed forces.

The use of the armed forces to patrol, pursue, and arrest drug smugglers is another step to a military state. Presently and previously, the Reagan administration's attempts to deal with this issue effectively have all failed. Thus, it has resorted to the final form of communication or persuasion, brute force. All one must do to realize the progression of this ill-fated bill is review recent history. In 1982, America, with the Bolivian government's approval, used U.S. military helicopters to attack peasant farmers' cocoa crops, in hopes of eliminating the source for cocaine. In 1983, the House of Representatives passed hastily a bill proposing mandatory life terms and death penalties for pushers, doing away with the "exclusionary rule," which protects individuals from illegally obtained evidence in federal prosecutions and, to my amazement, using the military to protect our borders against drug smugglers. Fortunately, the Senate saw the bill's irrationality and voted it down. Is what we are seeing today the revised 1983 drug bill?

Throughout these drug war years, we have seen mass casualty policies come and go, such as the "Just Say No" campaign, threatening countries with economic sanctions. The Drug Enforcement Agency operating in foreign countries and expelling foreigners from allied countries, and indicting foreign leaders for drug trafficking. Presently, the administration is using military intelligence plans for U.S. private boats and planes. So one can see it has been a combination of impulsive, abusive, and ineffective actions that has led me to believe the use of the military will only restrict our freedoms and empower the government to infringe on individual rights even more. For this measure does not solve the drug issue, what will happen next? The military assisting local and state law enforcement agencies in a possible reality that we should be worried about. The war is not on drugs but on individual rights.

We can solve this social dilemma we must deal with reality. Increased use of the military may slow, but not stop, the supply of drugs to wanting individuals. It is a well known fact that when a pusher is busted, the very next day his replacement is up and running. Though the use of supply and demand. From an economic standpoint, (repeal of prohibition). The act of taking a drug is not wrong, because an individual has the freedom to do what he wants. As long as he or she does not physically infringe on another's freedoms. The U.S. Constitution guarantees the right of an individual to do with his or her own body as he or she pleases. But, it does allow the Congress to impose taxes, thus the solution to this issue is very clear.

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By Raymond Husum
Letterman, Whirly Girls make ‘top 10’ of unusual scholarships

By Megan Owings
Staff Writer

For those who don't drink, smoke, play rough sports and live anywhere but Mt. Carmel, there's scholarship money out there for the asking.

Or, for women pilots who prefer helicopters, the International Women's Helicopter Plois/Whirly Girls Scholarship has a $4,000 grant to help encourage careers in vertical flight.

Where do scholarships like these come from? They are researched and brought to students' attention by the National Scholarship Research Service. "These are just some of the more unusual scholarships," said Joseph Gargiulo, public relations director for NSRS.

Gargiulo said that NSRS offers more than 200,000 scholarships. "Lots of the scholarships that we looked at are from the National Women's Helicopter Pilots/Whirly Girls Scholarship Program. We put Letterman at number one because he always has the 'top 10' on his show," Gargiulo said.

Cassidy said that so many scholarships and monies go unclaimed each year that if it was divided up, everyone would receive about $600. "At most universities the financial aid office is mostly concerned with state and federally-funded financial aid," Cassidy said. "But of course there is so much that goes into the processing of the state and federal money that it is almost impossible to accommodate the private sectors.

"The private sector has been a sleeper for a long time, but with the amount of unpaid loans, state and federal funds are decreasing rapidly," Cassidy said. "Right now there is about $20 billion in outstanding loans so the government is withdrawing.

Gargiulo said that scholarship research continues everyday. "Some of the scholarships available have been around for a while and are a little more established," Cassidy said, "but we're continually looking for more."

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Poly art and design professor creates Hearst Castle postcard

By Marie Byrne
Staff Writer

A commemorative postcard, featuring Hearst Castle as a part of the U.S. Postal Service's Historic Preservation series of architectural landmarks, was designed by a Cal Poly art professor.

The post card, which was issued on Sept. 20, was designed by Robert Reynolds of the art and design department. Reynolds said he worked on the project off and on for more than two years.

The idea of a stamp highlighting Hearst Castle came from Woody Frey, an ornamental horticulture professor, who is president of a statewide organization called Friends of Hearst Castle. Reynolds said Frey asked him if he would make some sketches for the stamp. Although the U.S. Postal Service didn't feel Hearst Castle qualified as a stamp, it was made a part of the post-card series.

Reynolds is working on more drawings for stamps.

"It's kind of fun doing art that is going to be utilized," he said. "Stamps are really different; you have to think about how the drawing is going to look like a stamp. You can't focus on too much detail."

Reynolds was born and raised in San Luis Obispo and attended the Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles. For seven years he served as a regional artist for Ford Motor Company's national publication, Ford Times.

He received his master's degree in education from Cal Poly and has been teaching drawing and watercolor painting to architecture students.

"I didn't have a burning desire to be a teacher, but the opportunity presented itself," Reynolds said. "I talked to Paul Neel about it, and there were some openings. I've taught full time in the art department ever since."

"I really like teaching art. I can share a lot with the students, their successes and failures. Don't do much discouraging. I believe everyone has the ability to express themselves in some way."

Reynolds teaches students in all majors. He said that looking at a person's major doesn't always indicate talent.

He worked at Hearst Castle during the summers when he was young.

"I got my first art history lessons working there," Reynolds said. "I used to look at the paintings and sculptures and then research them. That is also where I learned about Greek mythology."

He has done many art projects for the community, such as the logo for Apple Farm restaurant and its mill house, and also a serigraph for the San Luis Obispo County Symphony Association.

Reynolds' and his watercolor paintings were featured in American Artist, a national magazine, earlier this year.

He is on leave for one year while working on a series highlighting the four peaks of the High Sierras. The series will be on display in the University Union Gallery in September 1989.

Hurricane little threat to launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA heard from its weather experts today that Hurricane Helene probably won't affect next week's launch of space shuttle Discovery and preparations continued uninterrupted for beginning the countdown.

If everything stays on schedule, the countdown begins at 12:01 a.m. EDT Monday.

"The direction and speed of the hurricane pose no threat to the launch," said Ron Rand, an Air Force lieutenant colonel. Air Force forecasters predicted that the skies on launch morning, Thursday, would have the 7-mile visibility that is required.

Meanwhile, "CBS News West 57th" reported earlier this week that three safety engineers who worked at Morton Thiokol, which made the shuttle's booster rockets, see potentially catastrophic problems with the redesigned rockets.

The former Thiokol engineers, according to a transcript of the report to be broadcast tonight, said they would not ride on the space shuttle.

One engineer, Steven Agee of Renton, Wash., said he was so concerned in 1987 that his reports of possible hazards were not getting to NASA that he went to the FBI, which CBS said was conducting an investigation.

Agee and another Thiokol employee, Anthony Laine of Phoenix, filed federal court suits against Thiokol earlier this month in Chicago, claiming they were fired for attempting to inform NASA of problems involving the rocket motors after the Challenger accident.

A spokesman for the Kennedy Space Center, Richard Young, said: "We checked this thing thoroughly. All components were checked out. We had five full-up (full-scale) tests and we have confidence they are going to fly."

Hurricane Helene remained over the Atlantic, well away from land today. If a hurricane approach and the threatened wind speed at the launch pad exceeded a sustained 48 mph or gusts of 73 mph, NASA would consider rolling the shuttle back.
Lady Mustangs lose two games

UCI halts win streak

By Julie Schmidt

UC Irvine ended the Cal Poly Women's Volleyball team's winning streak Friday night with a five game upset over the Lady Mustangs.

"All good things must come to an end," Coach Mike Wilson said after the loss. With a 7-3 record between the two teams, UC Irvine Coach Mike Puritz said, "beating Cal Poly at home is a definite high point in the season."

An enthusiastic crowd filled Mott Gym, and after a traditional presentation of Hawaiian leis by Coach Wilson, the two teams started off slowly. Strong play by returning players, senior Erin Dieters, middle blocker Kris Roberts and outside hitter Paula Dallas at the net. The Mustangs tried but couldn't pull together long enough to regain the lead and lost 15-11.

"We are still streaky, going real strong one minute, and playing real scappy the next. We have to find some consistency," Wilson said.

The Mustangs show their inconsistent play as they lost the next game 15-9. But once again the ladies came back in the fourth game to win 15-6, led by stuff blocks by Karen Anderson and House, and the hitting of Hansen.

The win brings the Mustangs record to 1-2 on the season and 0-1 in the conference.

Next week the Mustangs travel to Northern California to take on the seventh-ranked Maradors.

By Terry Lightfoot

The Cal Poly Mustang football team needed three straight wins in the win column with a strong defensive showing over the Angelo State Rams in a non-conference game Saturday night, winning 15-8.

After two lusterless performances this season, the Mustangs came out fired up and hitting hard.

On the Rams' first possession, cornerback Rene Oliver separated a Ram receiver from the ball on the 25-yard line.
The Mustangs recovered and after a first down, Cal Poly's drive stalled and they had to settle for a 32-yard field goal by Dan Eastman.

That field goal gave the Mustangs a 3-0 lead and more importantly, it was the first time this season that Cal Poly had scored before the fourth quarter.
The Mustang defensive was a mainstay in the Ram backfield as they held Angelo State to minus 26 yards on the night. The Rams had previously averaged almost 200 yards per game rushing.

Unable to run the ball the Rams turned to the pass, but Tom Carey, John Fassett and a host of other Mustangs stampeded the Ram pass protection to sack quarterback Mickey Russell seven times in the night and force two interceptions.

Offensively, the only sustained drive by the Mustangs came when quarterback Keith Jarrett came in for Tom Sullivan who had been shaken up on the previous drive.

Jarrett engineered the 53-yard drive by completing several third down passes.

On a fourth-and-three the Mustangs opened to try for the first down instead of the field goal.

Jarrett hit freshman wide-out Rick Lineweaver, who made a spectacular diving catch to keep the drive alive.

After the first down Cal Poly played conservatively and ran three running plays between the tackles, setting up a 21-yard field goal attempt.

Eastman, who before Saturday's game had been shaken up on the previous drive, converted the field goal.

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By Terry Lightfoot

The Cal Poly Mustang football team

needed three straight wins in the

win column with a strong defensive
showing over the Angelo State Rams
in a non-conference game Saturday
night, winning 15-8.

After two lusterless performances this
season, the Mustangs came out fired up
and hitting hard.

On the Rams' first possession, corner-
back Rene Oliver separated a Ram
receiver from the ball on the 25-yard
line.
The Mustangs recovered and after a first
down, Cal Poly's drive stalled and they
had to settle for a 32-yard field goal by
Dan Eastman.

That field goal gave the Mustangs a 3-0
lead and more importantly, it was the first
time this season that Cal Poly had scored
before the fourth quarter.
The Mustang defensive was a mainstay
in the Ram backfield as they held Angelo
State to minus 26 yards on the night. The
Rams had previously averaged almost
200 yards per game rushing.

Unable to run the ball the Rams turned
to the pass, but Tom Carey, John Fassett
and a host of other Mustangs stampeded
the Ram pass protection to sack quarterback
Mickey Russell seven times in the night
and force two interceptions.

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Ladys 0-2 in conference
By Kelley Cummins
Staff writer

After 10 straight wins on the road, Cal Poly's Women's Volleyball Team suffered a loss to Long Beach State Saturday night.

The Lady Mustangs lost three out of four games to lose the match, which now gives them an overall record of 11-2 and an 0-2 record in Big West Conference play.

Long Beach dominated the Mustangs by winning the first and second games, 15-11 and 15-10. Cal Poly literally hit back against Long Beach to win the third game with a score of 15-9.

Long Beach came back to win the fourth game and match, scoring 15-10.

"We played all three home games regretfully. This is not the same team I took on the road to win 10 straight matches," said Cal Poly's Head Coach Mike Wilton.

This type of a win/lose pattern has happened before.

"We've had this type of a problem several times in past years. It's not new to me," Wilton said. "Maybe we try to hard at home. I'm not sure."

He said that top Mustang players were middle blocker Jessica Bennett, outside hitter Amy Svikhart, and new comer to the squad, Jeannine Thomas, playing as a back row substitute.

"Setter Kim Kaaii also played good once we started giving her something to work with. She did a good job," Wilton said.

A main problem for the team was service errors. Cal Poly totaled 14 service errors during the match.

"We played good defense, but we should have served better. Long Beach has a good offense, and if we don't serve well they could be able to run us over and did," he said.

The second hardship for the Lady Mustangs is what Wilton calls "absenteeism."

"Coming to play ready is important," he said. "We can stick six bodies in the game, but if they're not ready to play, there's an awful lot of errors."

"We got better, but not better enough," Wilton said. "I'm looking for a silver lining, because there's lots of dark clouds."

The silver lining could have appeared during the third game.

"Our best game had to be the third one. We past a lot better than all the other games. That means we passed well enough to become a threat with our front row hitters," Assistant Coach Craig Cummings said.

Both coaches agree that the team will have their work cut out for them during their next four workouts.

"We've got things to do for the week. We've got some things to figure out, lineup changes maybe. Maybe we will take a look at that," Wilton said.

The team will be on the road this week, playing conference matches against San Jose State and University of Pacific.

Gold medal, world record for Johnson

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Ben Johnson led Carl Lewis to the wire in the fastest 100 meters ever run, with four men under 10 seconds. He lowered his world record from 9.83 to 9.79 and declared the 9.75 barrier now within reach.

"I'm saving that for next year," Johnson said.

Lewis finished the 100 in 9.92, three strides behind Johnson in the 100 meters. The shouting was over, the duel was done, and it wasn't even close.

"The most important thing is to beat Carl Lewis," said Canada's "Big Ben," who has beaten Lewis in six of their last seven meetings.

"He ran a great race, obviously, because it was a great time," Lewis said of Johnson.
LAPD surveillance questioned

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A secretive Los Angeles Police Department unit has made fewer arrests but shot more suspects than other units, and has watched as criminals commit felonies, a newspaper reported.

In a study of records obtained in part through the California Public Records Act, the Los Angeles Times found that in 17 of 32 cases examined, Special Investigations Detectives had apparent justification to arrest the criminals they were following before serious crimes were committed.

And the paper said there were instances in which well-armed SIS detectives were killed as victims were threatened.

"There's a separate subculture involved there, a very macho subculture," a retired high-ranking officer knowledgeable in the unit's operations told the Times.

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"We're dealing with people who we have a lot of reasons to believe are involved in extreme forms of violence and so we're watching them and there's not much we can do until they violate the law," Booth said.

"We think we're protecting the public this way," he added. "We think the public agrees."

However, the chairman of the Department of Justice, Law and Society at American University in Washington raised questions about the unit's tactics.

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Justice says capital cases overloading civil court

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP) — State Supreme Court Justice Stanley Mosk said Saturday the court's heavy load of death sentence appeals threatens to crowd out most others on the capital cases threatening to erode make four more appoint­ments, have been pending for other legal areas this year, along with 24 years on the court.

"The tragic fact is that impor­tant civil cases are not being heard because of the overwhelmin­g presence of death penalty cases," Mosk said in a panel discussion at the State Bar's an­nual meeting.

The court of Chief Justice Malcolm Lucas has issued an unprecedented 48 death penalty rulings this year, compared to 68 death penalty decisions in seven years by the previous court headed by Chief Justice Rose Bird.

Nevertheless, 174 death penalty appeals remain pending, about the same backlog that existed when Bird and Justices Cruz Reynoso and Joseph Grodin were rejected by voters and left office last year.

Meanwhile, the court has issued only 44 other rulings in all other legal areas this year, along with 24 years on the court.

He renewed his proposal of several years ago to increase the number of justices from seven to 11 and create separate five­member courts for civil and criminal cases, with the chief justice serving as an ad­ministrator and an available substitute on either court.

The proposal 6s gained little support so far, because of ques­tions about complications posed by two "supreme courts" and objections to letting the gov­ernor make four more appoint­ments.

But Mosk said the time may be right for a radical change, with capital cases threatening to crowd out most others on the court's docket. Of 32 cases examined, Special Investigations Detectives had apparent justification to arrest the criminals they were following before serious crimes were committed.

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 Calendar

**Monday**
- The A.S.I. is sponsoring social dance classes. Classes will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Agriculture building, room 220. The fee is $20 per month. No partner is needed. For more information call 543-7864.
- Tuesday
  - Senior project and term paper clinics will be held in the library on Tuesday, Sept. 27th through Thursday, Oct. 6th in room 12. For further information contact Wayne Montgomery at ext. 2649.
  - Swing into fall with western dance classes. Classes meet at 7 p.m. in Graphic Arts, room 106. The fee is $20 per month. No partner is needed. For more information call 543-7864.
  - A product manager from Varian Associates, Jay Heo, will be speaking in the Architecture building, room 225 at 11 a.m. Varian Associates is a radial therapy firm. The American Marketing Association is sponsoring the event.
  - Wednesday
    - Golden Key National Honor Society will be meeting in the University Union, room 216 at 5 p.m. New members are invited.
    - The 1988 Thrash-a-Thon is here! The event will begin Wednesday, Sept. 28 at midnight in the U.L. plaza. The 72 non-stop hours of skateboarding will raise money for the American Cancer Society. Lambda Chi Alpha is sponsoring the event. Fraternity members are now collecting pledges for the Thrash-a-Thon. Anyone interested in supporting the American Cancer Society is asked to call 543-1481 or 543-8830.

**Dukakis**

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enough teachers to fill the jobs that retiring teachers will leave behind.

When I go to schools and colleges, I always ask people how many of them are planning on becoming teachers, and I am lucky if five hands go up," said Dukakis.

In describing his party's platform, Dukakis stressed the importance of a strong economy, a clean environment, and an improved educational system for the United States.

He also spoke about his father's commitment to the environment and condemned offshore oil drilling along the Central Coast, calling Vice President George Bush "part of the environmental wrecking crew."

**Scanners to speed service at El Corral**

By Stephanie Allen

Students may find a surprise when they purchase items at El Corral Bookstore winter quarter — quicker and more efficient service.

The installation of new register scanning devices, similar to those at supermarkets, will result in faster service, said Nick Routh, merchandising manager at El Corral.

"Our target is to start scanning books winter quarter — academic supplies and electronic supplies and general merchandising by fall 1989," said Routh.

El Corral plans to test the register scanning equipment in January.

Routh said the scanning equipment is needed because the current system has resulted in an oversupply of inventory which did not meet customer need.

"It really is an archaic system at this time," Routh said.

The new system can be set up in sections within the bookstore and facilitate inventory control, he said.

"The overall goal is to meet the customer's needs by having fewer out-of-stock items and to be able to lower our overall inventory dollar investment," Routh said.

Computer and Software Enterprises of San Luis Obispo developed the software for the scanning system.

"They developed the software for the textbook system already in use," said Routh.

Computer and Software Enterprises has worked with El Corral for several years to develop the computer, retail merchandise and textbook systems, Routh said.

El Corral is now testing the software used with the scanning equipment.

"The scanners we're looking at are table-mounted, like the ones at Lucky Supermarkets," Routh said.

"The existing registers can be modified for the new system," Routh said the new system can track items individually.

"This system will tell us when we are dangerously low on a certain item," he said. "Right now, everything is done manually."

Since the new system permits tracking of individual items, Routh will know if displays are placed properly within the store, for maximum visibility.

The system can be essential in identifying the success of a promotion, Routh said.

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And if that isn't enough reason
Governor signs 12 anti-drug bills
Legislation outlaws gang activity, stiffens penalties
SACRAMENTO (AP) — Gov. George Deukmejian signed 12 bills to fight drugs and street gangs Saturday, saying the new laws would "help us move toward our goal of a drug-free California."

The bills outlaw participation in street gangs, stiffen penalties for some drug offenses, make it easier for police to check criminal records and seize drug dealers’ assets, crack down on schoolyard drug dealers, and require judges to suspend the drivers’ licenses of youths convicted of drug and alcohol offenses.

"The scourge of drug abuse is directly related to criminal youth gang activity, since many gangs are heavily involved in and dependent upon illegal drug trafficking and use," Deukmejian said in his weekly radio address. The Republican governor added: "I wish to commend the Legislature for passing these new laws which demonstrate our resolve to support local law enforcement in its effort to gang up on gang crime."

The measures will take effect Jan. 1.

Deukmejian vetoes move to establish voluntary inmate AIDS research effort
SACRAMENTO (AP) — Gov. George Deukmejian said Saturday that he has vetoed a bill that would have allowed state prisoners to volunteer as test subjects for experimental AIDS drugs.

"This bill is unnecessary in that there is no evidence that there are insufficient numbers of persons in the free community willing to be test subjects for development of AIDS-related drugs," Deukmejian said in his veto message.

Moreover, I believe it is not appropriate to reintroduce biomedical research into the prison system given the history on this issue," said the Republican governor. The state ended the use of inmates for such research in 1980, he said.

The bill, AB3009 by Assemblyman Dick Floyd, D-Hawthorne, would have allowed AIDS research on adult and juvenile inmates in state prisons and Youth Authority facilities.

U.S. firm seeks abortion drug approval
NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — A New Jersey company is considering seeking U.S. Food and Drug Administration permission to begin testing a French-made drug that induces abortions early in pregnancy, a scientist said.

Gynopharma Inc. of Somerville had been awaiting the results of French government tests before applying for permission to market the drug in the United States, Dr. Gary Hodgson, an expert in reproductive medicine, told The New York Times.

The French government on Friday authorized use of RU 486, or mifepristone, an anti-hormone chemical that interrupts pregnancy by blocking the implantation of a fertilized egg on the uterine wall.

It must be administered by the 49th day following the last menstrual period. Hodgson, scientific director of the Jones Institute for Reproductive Medicine at the Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, Va., said in Saturday’s editions of the Times that he has discussed marketing strategies with executives from the French manufacturer, Roussel Uclaf Co.

He said FDA approval would mean the drug could be manufactured in the United States under a licensing agreement between the two companies.

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This September 19th-October 7th
The Rev. Junipero Serra moved a step toward sainthood when he was made a "blessed" of the Roman Catholic Church along with five other people, including a Mexican priest executed by a firing squad.

John Paul beatified the six in an open-air Mass in St. Peter's Square before a golden altar whipped and enslaved the Indians he worked to convert.

Speaking in English, the pope called Serra, an 18th century Franciscan monk, "a shining example of Christian virtue and the missionary spirit."

"His great goal was to bring the Gospel to the native peoples of America, so that they too might be 'consecrated in the faith,'" John Paul told a crowd of 20,000 people, some of whom wore paper hats to protect them from the sun during the three-hour ceremony.

"He sowed the seeds of Christian faith amid the momentous changes wrought by the arrival of European settlers in the New World. It was a field of missionary endeavor that required patience, perseverance and humility, as well as vision and courage," the pontiff said.

Serra founded the first nine missions in what is now California, and his order eventually established 21. During his U.S. visit a year ago, John Paul stood before Serra's grave at the Carmel Mission Basilica and praised the monk for his missionary work among the Indians.

Critics say Serra stole the Indians' lands, refused to allow them to leave the missions, forced them to work in the fields or construction projects and exposed them to European diseases to which they had no resistance.

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For more information call Panhellenic Adviser Walt Lambert at 756-2476.

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Room-temp. superconductivity impossible without innovations

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The dream of creating room-temperature superconductors is impossible unless researchers stumble upon materials different than those they are now developing, new studies suggest.

But the findings aren’t disappointing because they will help scientists design better superconductors — materials that transmit electricity without resistance — and develop a theory to explain superconductivity, said Thomas F. George, natural sciences dean at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Various copper oxides are now the best superconductors under development by scientists, but they work only if chilled to at least 234 degrees below zero Fahrenheit. Commercially available superconductors must be kept much colder with liquid helium, an expensive and cumbersome process.

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Stealth workers may be suffering work-related illness

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — Many of the 170 Lockheed Corp. employees suing the company for illnesses they say were caused by job conditions are believed to be working on the top-secret Stealth aircraft, according to a newspaper story.

The ailments, ranging from skin irritation to cancer, allegedly killed five workers over the last eight years and are believed to be caused by chemicals in the workplace, an attorney for the workers said.

The company denied it is contaminating its workers, but confirmed that many of the sick workers may be suffering work-related illness.

"Workers are so intimidated by the possibility of criminal sanctions, they don't discuss the case at all," said Timony A. Larson, an attorney for the workers.

"They can't say if it's a top secret place, that it is they're working on. They can't even discuss the client," Larson said.

Larsen said he believes the Stealth project is the top-secret aircraft described in the reports.

Larsen said that beyond working on the Stealth, which employs 11,000 to 12,000 workers at its Burbank plant, denied that it disclosed the type of work it did at Lockheed.

"We believe we are providing a very safe and healthy working environment for our employees, who are our greatest asset." Some people, including Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nevada, are not convinced.

Reid has called for a federal investigation into the use of hazardous chemicals by defense contractors like Lockheed.

"Is Congress and American industry doing everything it can to make safe the lives and health of those working men and women as they toil on the front lines of America's defense? I can tell you the answer. It is, clearly, "no,"" said Reid.

Rep. Boxer fights planned S.F. bio warfare research

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A congresswoman reacted to a proposal to conduct biological warfare research at the Presidio of San Francisco by calling the plan "immoral" and asking that it be suspended.

Rep. Barbara Boxer, D-Greenbrae, sent a letter to the Department of Defense asking for more information and demanding Assistant Secretary of Defense Robert Baker stop any such plan.

"As someone who finds biological warfare absolutely immoral, I'm very disturbed," she said in an interview Saturday.

"The Pentagon says everything is defensive when a lot of things are offensive. The research is the same. You have to have the same organisms present to do the tests," said Boxer.

"I'm concerned about the potential for damage to the environment and to the health of my constituents — especially given the Army's track record on the issue," Boxer said.

Chuck Davis, spokesman for the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command in Fort Detrich, Md., said he will arrive at the Presidio on Monday to make preparations for the testing, which could begin before the end of the year.

"As the matters to be studied are the use of snake venom and plant toxins, Boxer said she was warned that if the project did not proceed, 70 toxicology researchers at the Presidio's Letterman Army Medical Research Institute of Defense might lose their jobs. She called the suggestion "blackmail."

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HOUSTON (AP) — June Scobee says she will watch the lift-off of Discovery on television because her presence at the launch site "would just remind everyone" of the shuttle disaster that killed her husband and six other crew members.

Mrs. Scobee has not been back to Cape Canaveral, Fla., since that chilly morning of Jan. 28, 1986, when the Challenger exploded 73 seconds after launch.

Now Mrs. Scobee, whose husband, Dick, commanded the ill-fated ship, said "like any other American citizen" she is eager for a successful Discovery mission to get NASA's manned spaceflight program back on track.

Father denies setting up daughter in mom's murder
SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — A wealthy computer company owner could be set up his teen-age daughter for the murder of his wife and said the girl is now accusing him to get out of prison.

"Everyone knows how much my wife and I loved each other, I worshipped my wife. I loved her to death," said David Arnold Brown, in a jail-house interview with The Orange County Register.

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"NASA needs to focus on the launch facility, on the crew and their families," she said in a recent telephone interview. "For me to be there would just remind everyone. It would be difficult for me too."

"It may be the same building, but all Safeway products were pulled from the shelves of the Marsh Street grocery store and replaced by Vons labeled items with the Sept. 22 official take-over by Vons.

"Over 5,000 items were redacted, we got new uniforms and we now offer National Brand baby products at cost," said store manager Serge Fragione. "We're anticipating an increase of business because of Vons' aggressive pricing."

Vons Co. won preliminary approval from the Federal Trade Commission to continue its purchase of 172 Safeway supermarkets in Southern California — including four in San Luis Obispo County — for $408 million, according to a May 28 article in the Los Angeles Times.

"The Vons-Safeway acquisition received final approval earlier this month, and since the grand opening, Vons has been busier and selling more products, said Fragione.

"Vons is a good company to work for," he said. "Safeway is similar to an old-fashioned company, whereas Vons' innovative and aggressive marketing has led to up-to-date, computerized store operations," said assistant manager Pete Olsen.

New technology, however, will not override familiarity. Vons will remain open 24 hours, continue to accept unlimited double coupons and retain the same Safeway policies.

"Right now, it's two companies (Vons/Safeway) running parallel," said Stan King, meat manager. "We're selling Vons products, but keeping Safeway policies."

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New Ag Science building only one of its kind in state

By Bruce Sutherland
Staff Writer

Although the official opening of the $7.4 million Agricultural Sciences Building has yet to happen, it has been in use since fall quarter began.

Official ceremonies to celebrate the opening will be held Oct. 20 at 10 a.m. in the building's courtyard entrance.

The 50,000-square-foot structure is the new administrative and faculty base for Cal Poly's School of Agriculture, replacing the old Enhart Agricultural Building which was built in 1958 when the agriculture department had little over 1,000 students.

"We now have over 3,500 students," said agriculture dean Lark Carter. "Our need for additional laboratories and faculty offices has grown considerably."

The three-story building, located kitty-corner to the library, houses nine laboratories, a 45-seat lecture hall and over 50 faculty offices.

"At the time of its planning," Carter said, "the administration used a formula to determine the needs of the campus."

The formula equated that the campus was lacking in these areas.

"This new building, with its state-of-the-art equipment and laboratories, will allow us to further improve our instruction in biotechnology, the application of computer technology to agriculture, and other new advances in the agricultural sciences," Carter said.

The building also features several roof-top greenhouses, solar panels, and a lighting system run by timers and photo cells.

Construction ran a year over the anticipated date of completion, according to Carter. But, he adds, it will probably be the only facility of its kind to be constructed in the state this century and will be a great asset to the campus.

The Oct. 20 opening ceremonies, themed "A Showcase of Agriculture," will include guided tours of the building, agricultural exhibits, student program displays, an agricultural career fair, and a $3 barbecue luncheon.

Jack Parnell, director of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, will speak at noon in the University Union following the morning's events.
South African activists using U.S. diplomatic skills

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) The four anti-apartheid leaders who have taken refuge in the U.S. consul office are testing the diplomatic skills of their hosts.

Since the first three activists escaped 12 days ago, to consular sanctuary in New York City, black activists in South Africa have been on edge, feeling the pressure to act.

The four activists, who are seeking sanctuary in the U.S. consulate in Johannesburg, are among the first political refugees to seek asylum in the United States, where anti-apartheid activists have long sought refuge.

The activists have been under pressure from the South African government, which has been crackdowns on political activity.

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They are scheduled to make a joint appearance following their detention in April. This is the first publicized sanctuary case at a U.S. mission in South Africa.

There have been comparable cases at other missions.

The U.S. Embassy has expressed "high regard" and said it would not be forced out of the consular, but subsequent U.S. statements have been politely neutral.

Federal radon warning prompts widespread reaction

BOSTON (AP) Federal warnings that cancer-causing radon is seeping into houses across the nation triggered thousands of phone calls to health officials and radon-testing firms from people worried about breathing the dangerous gas.

Officials at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health have been overwhelmed by the response, and more than 400 additional workers have been called in to help.

The colorless, odorless gas is produced by the decay of uranium found in soil. The EPA has estimated that radon inhalation is the nation's third leading cancer killer.

About 10,000 calls were logged at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and radon-testing companies reported a 200 percent increase in the past week after the report that one in five homes have measurable amounts of radon.

"I don't think we've ever seen a response like this to anything," said Dr. Terry Lindsey of the Massachusetts health department.

It involved people in their homes testing the radon levels. And it involved cancer. It touched a lot of nerves."

From Wyoming, where the state's chief of radiological services said he and his part-time colleague fielded 100 calls a day, to North Carolina, where five phone lines were jammed with 700 calls a day.

The radon news is affecting homeowners across the country.

In Pennsylvania, where 37 percent of homes surveyed were above the guidelines, a hotline was jammed with 700 calls a day. And the radon news is affecting real estate, said participants at a seminar conducted by the state health department.

"This is the new asbestos," said Mark Dickhute, an attorney for CBS Real Estate Co., referring to radon's potential as a public health crisis.

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**Cards could bridge vision gap**

Braille greeting cards may provide jobs for the blind

**KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) —** With something as simple as a greeting card, Truesillia Ruth Shank hopes to help bridge the gap between the worlds of the sighted and the blind.

"It seems so unfair that a blind person should miss out on the simple, little pleasures of life," said Mrs. Shank, sitting in the living room of her modern house that doubles as the office for her 7-month-old card company, Sucurre Greetings. Sucurre is an Old French word meaning "to assist."

"Can you imagine being 30, 40 or 50 years old and having to wait for someone to read a stack of Christmas cards to you? Or not being able to go into a store and pick out an anniversary card for your wife or a birthday card for your child?" she asked.

The inspiration for Sucurre Greetings, which Mrs. Shank owns with her husband, came while she was working on an advertising project with a blind businessman.

"He was doing things I couldn't do even with my sight," she said. "It just didn't seem right that he needed someone to go to a store with him just to pick out a card."

Because of the limited market, Braille greeting cards have not been manufactured by established card companies, said Adam Ash, publisher of the Gift Reporter, a trade publication for the gift industry. Some rehabilitation agencies have been known to sell some Braille cards at Christmas, and others translate greeting cards to Braille when requested.

"At best, what you've been able to get up until now is a card for a sighted person that's been Brailled. These cards are designed specifically for a visually impaired person, but are still appealing to a sighted person as well," said Paul Ponchillia, a professor in the Department of Blind Rehabilitation at Western Michigan University.

Ponchilla, who is blind, helped the Shanks design the cards. The Shanks, also co-owners of a year-old advertising and printing company, said "it was a sense of freedom."

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**Concert tour aids rights**

**OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) —** The baseball field was turned over to a roasting blend of politics and rock as about 59,000 people flocked to the Oakland Coliseum for the last American stop of A journey International's "Human Rights Now!" tour Friday.

For 6 and a half hours, the crowd was treated to the music of Joan Baez, Peter Gabriel, Tracy Chapman, Youssou N'Dour of Senegal and Bruce Springsteen, all performing on a stage flanked by huge maps of the world on either side.

At $25 a ticket, the concert raised almost $1.5 million for the tour celebrating the 40th anniversary of the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights, a document decrying torture and unlawful imprisonment. Proceeds from the 18-stop U.S. tour will help fund efforts to release nonviolent prisoners of conscience around the world.

Springsteen, who turned 39 Friday, exhorted concert-goers to listen to the message behind the music and stand right to the point with a vigorous version of "War" to begin his more than hour-long set.

"When I was growing up, I got a sense of a lot of different things from rock and roll," the "Boss" told the crowd. "Most of all, I think I got a sense of freedom. As I got older I tried to stretch that moment from childhood into adulthood, and tonight we have an opportunity to do that."

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