Trends may force fee hikes, enrollment caps

By Jason Foster

The one-two punch of increasing enrollment and dwindling revenues may force drastic changes at California's public universities and colleges, including Cal Poly.

Education experts say such changes could mean dramatic cutbacks on how many students would be able to afford and attend a public university, or they could mean a sharp decline in the quality of education provided by California's public universities and colleges.

"Something's going to have to give in the next three to four years, or the quality of a California education is going to go down the tubes," said Diana Michel, budget director for the California Post Secondary Education Commission. "(If present trends continue) we'll have to make a decision to maintain quality, or sacrifice it and become mediocre. This will be felt by everyone."

The California State University's Division of Analytic Studies reported that total fall 1990 enrollment in the CSU was almost 369,000. The California Post Secondary Education Commission expects that number to grow between 31 and 63 percent by 2005.

Cal Poly, currently with a full-time equivalent (FTE) student budget of 15,000, is beginning the planning process to revise its master plan to accommodate future enrollment growth and decreasing state revenue.

Poly senior dies in tragic auto accident

By Jason Foster

A memorial service will be held today in Bakersfield for a Cal Poly student who died Tuesday in an automobile accident.

The service for Dana Christina Hildebrand, a 22-year-old business senior, begins at 10 a.m. at St. Francis Church on the 900 block of H Street in Bakersfield.

The Bakersfield Californian newspaper reported Wednesday that Hildebrand was killed when her car, for unexplained reasons, jumped the center divider of Highway 41 from the westbound lane into the eastbound lane and was hit by a three-axle truck.

Friends said she was apparent­ly on her way back to Cal Poly at the time of the 8:15 a.m. accident after spending Veteran's Day weekend at home in Bakersfield.

Bev Hensel, a counselor with the School of Business, said the death of Hildebrand, who was an honor student scheduled to graduate in December, was a tragedy and shocked the campus.

Stanford lecturer named as keynote grad speaker

By Kathy Kenney

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Today's weather ...

Increasing clouds and a chance of showers.

Highs: mid 60s
Lows: 40s
n.w. winds 10-20 mph
2 ft. seas, n.w. swells 6 ft.
Strip tease is not top U.S. issue

We would like to comment on the article in the Nov. 14 issue of Mustang Daily, entitled "Exotic Dancers: Exposing the naked truth about the strip tease profession." We are concerned about the presentation of this paper and what it implies about the readers' standards for financial contributors. As members of the student body we have a right to expect higher standards of the editorial content.

In the current state of affairs of this nation and this university, (economically, environmentally and globally), we find issues involving high moral disruption not only personally involving but also degrading in its desire to cause controversy and uproar in the student body of Cal Poly.

We feel the article was biased and was supported with weak arguments. Mr. Bock should have approached this subject with a more critical eye. We hope in the future that the student body of Cal Poly does not continue to have the student body of Cal Poly.

Letters to the Editor

Opinion

The future of public higher education in California is surely a top priority.

Rapid enrollment growth and fast diminishing revenues are stressing the University of California and the California State University systems. If these trends continue, the CSU and UC systems will have to make some drastic decisions in the near future. This may do nothing but hurt the state, as well as the students.

All is not yet lost. However, public higher education can be saved but only if the two possible avenues, governor-elect Pete Wilson and California voters can work together.

Cal Poly (and higher education in general) is currently too low on California's list of budget priorities. That probably will not change. The state needs to fund mandated state programs and agencies and battle increased crime rates. It also is required to spend 40 percent of the budget, because of Proposition 98, on K-12 education. Other than these two areas, these have been provided for do public universities and community colleges get their share.

The state also cannot hope for magical revenue increases to appear. This year, the state is facing an approximate $2.4 billion deficit. This deficit number is expected to increase as the Bush Administration decides to pursue war in the Middle East.

California's and the CSU's increasing population growth also adds fuel to the fire. Experts say enrollment in the CSU alone will increase 30 to 60 percent by the year 2006. All of these projections add up to dramatic changes in the future of public universities, including Cal Poly.

Experts say that if nothing changes, one of two scenarios can happen at California's public universities:

• Public universities might have to charge tuition to their students. Currently students pay only registration fees. This would be an educational disaster. Charging full tuition and capping enrollment would economically deny access to many university applicants.

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• Public universities would have to cap enrollment at all campuses. This might not seem like much to Poly students since this campus' enrollment is already restricted. In other areas of the state, however, large numbers of qualified students would be turned away from every CSU.

The bottom line is that both options mean public higher education would be available to the select who could afford it. This, in turn, would mean a wider gap between educated "have" and uneducated "have nots."

Of course, the state and the universities could pursue a third option and do absolutely nothing. This would lead to a dramatic decrease in the quality of higher education in California.

None of these options is the least bit attractive. The present course must change.

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China to veto Seoul's attempt to join U.N.

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - China has conveyed through the United States that it will veto any attempt by South Korea to gain separate membership in the United Nations, a newspaper reported today.

The Joongang Daily News said in a Washington-dated story that the United States, acting on a South Korean request, had asked if the Beijing government would block an effort by Seoul to join the world body this year.

South Korea and its rival, Communist North Korea, currently hold observer status in the 159-member world body. South Korea has no diplomatic relations with China, which is closely allied with North Korea.

North Korea opposes separate U.N. membership for the two Korean states, claiming such a measure would perpetuate the division of the peninsula. Instead, it has proposed that both Koreas share a single U.N. seat with revolving representation.

U.S., Saudi soldiers begin Mideast drills

ABOARD THE USS O'BRIEN (AP) — U.S. and Saudi Arabian forces Thursday began a six-day amphibious exercise in the Persian Gulf codenamed "Imminent Thunder." Iraq called it a "provocative act" and threatened to retaliate. "Thunder." Iraq called it a "provocative act" and threatened to retaliate.

Bush takes eight-day trip to Gulf, Europe

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush leaves today on an eight-day trip to the Middle East and Europe, becoming the first U.S. president to visit front-line troops since Lyndon Johnson in Vietnam. Before his

Mother arrested after deserted baby found

NORWALK, Calif. (AP) — A 21-year-old mother was arrested for investigation of abandoning her 3-month-old daughter after authorities received calls from people who recognized the infant from television news broadcasts.

Michael Lynn Valentino was arrested Wednesdy evening, said Sheriff's Sgt. Joaquin Hernandez.

Heads visited the home after receiving dozens of phone calls from family friends who informed them Valentino was the mother and that she could be found in that neighborhood.

The infant, who appeared to be in good health, was left on the doorstep of Camille Arvizu's home early Wednesday with a diaper bag full of supplies.

Arvizu said she heard the baby crying shortly before 7 a.m. and notified authorities. The baby was taken to a hospital for a checkup and was later placed in protective custody, deputies said.

RTD driver detained after fatal hit-and-run

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Los Angeles (AP) — An RTD bus driver was arrested for investigation of manslaughter after she allegedly ran over and killed a fallen motorcycle rider in Canoga Park, then continued on her route.

The baby was taken to a hospital for a checkup and was later placed in protective custody, deputies said.

First Round NCAA Division II Championships

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(9-1)

VS.

13TH-RANKED CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE

(7-3)

In their first meeting on November 3, 1990, dubbed, "The Brawl For It All," the Mustangs walked away with a share of the Western Football Conference title and a 6-3 victory over Cal State Northridge. In a game dominated by the top-ranked defense and special teams, Cal Poly limited All-American and Division II Player-of-the-Year candidate Albert Fann to a paltry 34 yards on 11 carries. In addition to blocking a pair of Matador field goal attempts, the Mustangs shut down an explosive CSUN air attack, allowing just 141 yards while recording two interceptions.

Saturday's first round NCAA match-up marks the first post-season appearance for the Mustangs since the national championship season of 1980. With both survival and the "Chance To Advance" on the line, this time it's for real.......Come join the excitement!!!
President Warren Baker and world-renowned architect Arthur Erickson talk to each other Monday after preliminary designs for the Performing Arts Center were unveiled at Vista Grande Restaurant.

Preliminary designs unveiled for Performing Arts Center

By Erika Dills

The preliminary design plans for a new Cal Poly performing arts center were unveiled Monday at Vista Grande Restaurant.

The 1,500-seat facility will be adjacent to the existing 500-seat Cal Poly Theatre and is to be completed in 1992. It will cost approximately $23 million.

"The existing facility is mixed out," said Warren Sinsheimer, president of the Foundation of Performing Arts. "No one can get into it...With this new center, the old theater will be able to be used for teaching (drama, music and dance)."

"Also, in the new center the lobby will be large enough to accommodate everyone in the theater," he said. "Now the lobby is very small, and only a limited number of people will fit into it comfortably."

Besides being an improvement for performing arts, Sinsheimer said that the architecture, which has been designed by world-renowned architect Arthur Erickson, will help improve the campus in general.

Erickson has received a number of prestigious awards and has been responsible for designing many performing arts centers.

"I think the performing arts center will bring people onto campus from throughout the county," Sinsheimer said. "It will make the campus more attractive."

Mike Martin, department head of architecture at Cal Poly and a member of the Performing Arts Center Steering Committee, said the new facility will be different because it will accommodate both the performer and the spectator.

"This facility will be unique because it has been designed as much for the performers as for the people seeing the performers," Martin said. "It has been designed so that there is an intimacy between the performers and the audience."

Martin said the design puts the audience closer to the actual stage and contributes to the overall visual experience and "intimacy."

"It has been designed with special attention to acoustics, so it is designed with music in mind, but it will also be good for theater and dance," Martin said. See ARTS CENTER, page 9

HILDEBRAND

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department.

"She was very active in extra-

curricular activities, well-round-
ed, bright and enthusiastic," Hensel said.

Hensel said Hildebrand was an outstanding student. "She was quite good at it," Hensel said. Phil Marcellin, a 1990 Cal Poly graduate, knew Hildebrand when they were neighbors growing up in Bakersfield. He only saw her "now and then" at Poly.

"She was a very nice person, always happy, a good person to work with," he said Thursday.

Marcellin said Hildebrand was a good athlete and that she was on the swim team at Highland High School in Bakersfield.

Audrey Hubbard, president of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, said Hildebrand was one of the sorority's founding members but had resigned from the sorority about a year ago.

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Teresa LaBarba, 35, of Canoga Park was arrested Wednesday. She also could face a felony hit-and-run charge when evidence from the accident is presented to prosecutors, Traffic Officer Gary Weller said. "She is claiming she didn't know she hit him," Weller said.

Police said LaBarba, an RTD driver for seven years, was headed south on Topanga Canyon Boulevard about Wednesday morning when her bus ran over Eric Edwards, 20, of Chatsworth and crushed him.

Moments earlier, Edwards had fallen off his motorcycle when he lost control of his bike. "The motorcyclist crashed and the bus driver ran over him," Weller said. "She never touched the motorcycle. Then the bus took off."

According to Weller, it was initially unclear who had hit Edwards until witnesses told investigators it was an RTD bus. Detective Wayne Dufort said one passenger said he did not see or feel the accident. Police contacted the RTD and LaBarba was ordered by radio to return to the accident scene.

LaBarba told investigators that when she noticed the motorcycle in the street behind her, she radioed RTD supervisors to report that there had been an accident but that it did not involve her. She said she continued on her route.

Detectives were attempting to locate five passengers who were riding the bus at the time.
Heavyweight Woodill's pin lifts grapplers over Stanford, 21-18

By Mike McMillan
Special to the Daily

The Cal Poly Wrestling Team won its first match of the 1990-91 season Wednesday night with a 21-18 victory over Stanford.

The Mustangs traveled to Palo Alto where they won half their matches against the Cardinal, a Pac-10 opponent, pulling out the victory with a strong performance by heavyweight Seth Woodill.

"It was good to start the year off with a win," said Cal Poly Coach Leniss Cowell.

The Mustangs were trailing 18-15 before the heavyweight match, the last of the night. Woodill, a sophomore, pinned his opponent in just 56 seconds to give Cal Poly six team points and a narrow victory.

"He was so keyed-up," said Cowell, describing Woodill's intense preparation for the match.

Cowell said Woodill had to lift his opponent almost five feet off the mat before bringing him down for the pin, "said Cowell.

The stage for Cal Poly's win was set with victories in four other weight classes.

Sophomore 118-pounder Joe Dansby won by a score of 4-3. "Winning the first match always sets the tempo," said Cowell.

Freshman 126-pounder Dale Hanover came from behind to beat his opponent 8-6.

Sophomore Ruben Gonzales won big at 134 pounds, earning a technical-fall and five team points as he pounded his opponent 21-18.

Freshman 141-pounder Lee Dansby was set with victories in four matches, including one to Stanford's 167-pounder Steve Budde, who is currently ranked first in the nation.

Cowell said those weight classes are where Stanford's strength lies.

The Cal Poly Wrestlers travel to Arizona this Saturday where they will meet Arizona State, the 1989-90 Pac-10 Champions, and the University of New Mexico.

Cal Poly's first home meet will be against Chico State on November 27.

FOOD

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"The design should facilitate personal interaction." Your guests are your clients, and they must be seduced. If your main course is complex, then you need to initiate your guests to the flavors that they will be enjoying. With facades, hors d'oeuvres and wine you graduate their palates to the center piece of the meal.

"You must," said Terry, "tittlette and arouse them.

Cooking is a process of assembly. The interaction that occurs between the cook and his materials is a process of discovery. Combinations occur which can enhance and detract. Materials can limit and new materials are discovered. Apple juice replaces water in some recipes.

The process requires all of your senses. The color of the ingredients and their texture and smell are all factors which participate in the flavor and appeal of the food. The combination of ingredients should result in a quality product, whether you are making a white sauce or a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. There are good peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and there are bad ones.

Combining ingredients toward quality can be an ambiguous task. But certain qualities were defined long ago by Vitruvius who said, "Ermness, Commodity and Delight." These are still sound objectives, though their order has slightly changed.

There is a utility to this combination of qualities. How well we have fulfilled the goal of our effort. Whether or not we have achieved what we set out to do. But utility is tough. How well something works can be seen in a myriad of ways. The cook, the presentation, and the dish washer all have a different view of a multi-course meal. And though utility is a difficult and ambiguous subjet, it is also something that we can be confused with something cheap, fast and prepared.

Most importantly there is spirituality in cooking and architecture. You should aim to achieve a oneness with the food you eat and in the home that you live. This is a quality that can only be felt but that definitely exists in some places and certain foods.

The Vietnam Memorial is perfect, we'll bake apple pie for you. See FOOD, page 9
Sports Calendar

Friday, November 16

Football
- Men's and Women's
- Men's and Women's
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- Men's and Women's

Saturday, November 17

Men's Cross Country
- Men's Cross Country at NCAA Division II national championships in Arcata. After being ranked in the top three in the nation for most of the year, the eighth-ranked Mustangs will be looking to fire on all cylinders and bring home a national title. The team had a disappointing race in Riverside at regionals, but head coach Tom Henderson is confident all his runners will be in top form for the final race of the year, which is being hosted by CSU Humboldt.

Women's Basketball vs. Cal Poly
- Women's Basketball at Mott Gym in late October.

Women's Basketball vs. Cal State Hayward at the Cal Poly Classic. Yes, folks, football season hasn’t ended yet, and the cagers begin their season tonight against the Pioneers at 8 p.m. in Mott Gym. The other two teams in the Classic, Cal State San Bernardino and Cal State Stanislaus play each other at 6 p.m.

Women's Soccer vs. UCLA at Atkinson Field in Santa Maria. Thanks to some unfriendly folks at various local locations, the Mustangs are forced 30 miles south for this ‘home’ game, the team’s last, but most important of the season. Should the Mustangs win, the California Collegiate Women’s Soccer Conference league title will be theirs for the second time in the last three years. Kickoff is at 7:30 p.m.

Football vs. Cal State Northridge at Mustang Stadium. The playoffs are here, but don’t expect a high-scoring affair. These two defenses yield a total of nine points the first time the teams met two weeks ago. Poly squeaked by Northridge 6-3, but the last time the Matadors came to Mustang Stadium in 1989, they took home a 13-10 victory. The Mustangs are 9-1 and are in the playoffs for the first time in 10 years; Northridge is 7-3. Kickoff at 1 p.m.

Men's and Women's Swimming at the Roadrunner Relays in Bakersfield. The Mustangs take a trip into highly-competitive waters at Cal State Bakersfield. The Roadrunners, who are hosting the 10-team meet, are always tough and have, in recent years, been consistently among the best teams in the nation.

Men's Basketball vs. Cal State Stanislaus at Cal Poly Classic. The Mustangs play their second game in as many nights, this time against the Lady Warriors. Stanislaus won last year, 83-80, and in the playoffs for the first time in 10 years; Northridge is 6-3, but the last time the Matadors came to Mustang Stadium in 1989, they took home a 13-10 victory. The Mustangs are 9-1 and are in the playoffs for the first time in 10 years; Northridge is 7-3. Kickoff at 1 p.m.

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ENROLLMENT

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accommodate enrollment of 17,400 PTE students by the year 2004.

In the meantime, the revenue situation to fund this growth and accommodate current needs looks bleak:

- The CSU's budget this year was cut by $96 million. Michel said the CSU used discretionary money (lottery funds) to offset the reduction so the system's budget would shrink by only $56 million.

- Next year's state budget shortfall could be between $550 million and $1.5 billion, Michel said, and that amount might increase if the United States' presence in the Persian Gulf continues or leads to war.

- State revenues will continue to decline if the country and California keep sliding into an economic recession. This would mean less and less money for everything, including education, Michel said.

- Proposition 143, the Higher Education Facilities Bond Act, which would have provided $480 million between the University of California, CSU and community college systems, failed in this year's election.

Robert Koob, vice president for Academic Affairs, said, "(The budget situation) is going to get worse. The downturn in the national and California economies and the inability of the state government to come to grips with its problems means fewer dollars for schools. The burden will thus shift to the students."

"We can't handle (enrollment increases) without a drastic change of some sort. Either we might have to change enrollment patterns and start forcing students to go to school five quarters a year, or we get additional resources."

Koob said that changing Poly's enrollment patterns would still require in increasing enrollment.

Michel said the direction of higher education now lies with governor-elect Pete Wilson. She said if Wilson says there is no way to reform the budget, the UC and CSU systems will be left with two options: Either make students pay actual tuition costs or possibly stop budgeting for growth and cap enrollment at all gracially public colleges and universities.

"Currently students (at public institutions) pay a tuition fee which is only part of the actual tuition cost," Michel said. If students paid actual tuition, the cost of a CSU education would probably increase seven or eight times, he said.

Michel said the cost of instruction (which doesn't include facility maintenance or development costs) per PTE student in the CSU system is $7,005 a year. Poly students currently pay just over $1,000 a year in tuition fees.

"Many students then couldn't afford to go to a public university," Michel said, "and current levels of financial aid would not meet demand."

If California had to cap enrollment at all of its public universities, Michel said that would end the state's historical commitment to allowing access to these institutions to anyone who could qualify.

Michel said capping enrollment would make gaining admission into California's public universities more competitive and admission standards to rise.

"We're coming to a crossroads," Michel said. "We don't have the money, so either quality is going to go or access is going to go."

Michel said the quality of education at California's public universities and colleges is already capped enrollment, we'll have an idea where we will likely go."

Koob also added that although the prospects for the future of public higher education are uncertain right now, the picture might become clearer at the start of 1991.

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WORLD

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The exercise involved 1,000 U.S. Marines, 1,100 aircraft and 16 ships, including the aircraft carrier USS Midway, which arrived in the region earlier this month.

The exact location of Immi­

dicator that Poly's student-faculty ratio is at its lowest level in 12 years.

"Enrollment is growing everywhere, but we (have) fared better than most schools (because we planned for in­

creased growth)," Michel said. "And because we've already capped enrollment, we'll end up better off."

Koob said, however, that the defeat of Proposition 143, which would have given Cal Poly $10 million to help plan or build six projects, has put the university in a bind.

"Proposition 143's defeat" delays the possibility of growth," Koob said. "(Of enrollment), we must have more buildings. We're at capacity."

Koob was optimistic that a bond measure to pay for facilities development would pass in the next election.

"If new ballots aren't so crowded, we'd have a better chance of passing a bond measure than the next bond election," Koob said.

Tom Hamlett, director of Legislative Affairs and Budget Analysis for California's Secondary Education Commis­sion, was not optimistic that any such measure would pass anytime soon.

"A bond measure would need to pass legislation. Then the gov­

ernment would have to act after the next bond election," said Hamlett. "They're really dimishing the picture.

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Military officials said there was no particular significance to the name of the operation and that its naming was not linked to any operational plans.

But it is being held as the United States doubles the number of aircraft carriers in the gulf region to six and sends in 150,000 additional military per­sonnel to join the estimated 250,000 already stationed in the region.
ARTS CENTER

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From page 6 Thanksgiving.
You can make the crust from
dough remember that you need
enough for the pie tin and the top
of the pie.

Pie crust:
— 2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon salt,
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— Cut Crisco into flour with two
knives until uniform and fine.
— Sprinkle water, one tablespoon
at a time, into mixture.
— Work the dough into a firm
ball with hands.

There are three primary
sources collecting the funds. The
Foundation of Performing Arts
represents the private sector and
has collected $5 million of its $9
million goal. The City of San
Luis Obispo also has decided to
provide $3.4 million for the pro­
ject. Cal Poly is the third con­
tributor and will supply the bulk
of the funding by contributing
nearly $15 million.

"We did have a bond issue fail
through," said Foundation of
Performing Arts Center Secre­
tary Greg Hind. "It was Pro­
position 143 ... and would have
provided $500,000 to the center."

Hind said, however, that this
money is only a small fraction of
what is needed and is only a very
small setback.

Some students who attended
the un unveiling had mixed reac­
tions to the center.

Cal Poly architecture senior
Maura Fernandez said she was
expecting more.

"To be honest, I'm a little
disappointed in the pres­
tentation," she said. "It seemed
like a lot of frosting. I think that
because I was so impressed
about getting Arthur Erickson, I
was expecting more ... but it is
also hard to tell from the pictures
what it will actually look like.

Senior Keith Wiley agreed with
Fernandez but noted that the
administration was making a
great effort to promote architec­
ture on campus.

"I think the last couple of
buildings (built on campus) have
been pretty good," he said. "Warren Baker and the current
administration have really been
working on campus.

"I don't think we will have
disappointment," she said. "It's
too early to judge how the center will
turn out."
Townfolk tend to troubled, tired tortoises

Two SLO pets have crawled around for more than 60 years

By Deborah Holley

The tortoise had a heck of a time beating the hare in the children's fable, and in the last few decades he has faced a far more formidable opponent — extinction.

Despite this threat, fate has granted a stay for two San Luis Obispo tortoises — life for now is just a bed of roses, literally.

"They like to eat roses, especially red ones," said Beth Stonebeck, owner of the two octogenarian-plus-aged gopherus agassizis, better known as land tortoises. "But actually they'll eat almost anything. They're great garbage disposals."

Stonebeck said the tortoises have been owned by her family since before she was born, 34 years ago. They were already several decades old when her father, a biology teacher, was given them in the early 1950s.

"One was much smaller than the other back then, so it probably wasn't as old," she said. "But they were both in pretty bad shape."

Stonebeck said one of the tortoises — Crawl to TORTOISES, page 12
NATION

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Thanksgiving stop in Saudi Arabia, hell sign a historic
mutual agreement in Paris.

The Persian Gulf crisis will dominate the tour, even while the
president is in Paris attending a 54-nation European summit.

Aides said Bush would seek to consolidate his "peace process" when he meets with leaders of the
Saudi Arabian government and President
at the three-day Paris gathering.

In particular, U.S. officials
said, Bush plans to sound out
Iraq from Kuwait.

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Secretary of State James A.
Baker III flew to Europe ahead of
Bush on Thursday to help lay
groundwork on Gulf policy.

He was meeting with foreign
ministers of Security Council
members, including three African
countries — Ethiopia, Zaire and
the Ivory Coast.

Before leaving Washington, Bush said that while economic
sanctions against Iraq's Saddam
Hussein seem to be working,
the real question is, are we
working to achieve the goal of
Saddam's unconditional
withdrawal from Kuwait.

Baker and Bush will link up
again on Monday in Paris at the
European summit.

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session is a treaty sharply
reducing the nuclear forces that both
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Europe.

It is the first major East-West
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250,000 already deployed. The
U.S.-led multinational
coalition had engaged in air
attacks on Iraqi targets in numbers
more than 300,000.

The exercise was launched one
day after British Defense Secre­
tary Tom King visited Saudi
Arabia to discuss what rein­
forcements Britain might send.

The British have 16,000 per­
sonnel in the region, including
the 9,000-man 7th "Desert Rat"
Armoured Division, which became
operational Wednesday.

King warned Iraqi President
Saddam Hussein on Wednesday:
"Time is running out. We're not
going to sit around forever."

Adm. Frank Kelso, the chief
of naval operations who was
visiting the destroyer CREW O'Brien as part of an inspection
tour, refused to answer questions
about imminent Thunder.

"We don't discuss details of
future operations," Kelso said.

"He understands the
significance of what we are
going to do in Paris... By the
time we meet, I can be sure he will use
opportunities as they come along to
discuss the Gulf with others who are
attending," said the official, brief­ing reporters at the White
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TORTOISES

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and don't call them turtles because they definitely are not, she said — was suffering from internal bleeding caused by a "dimwit who drilled a hole in the poor guy's shell."

Apparently, the person wanted to be able to leash the tortoise, because they are hard to keep in captivity.

But somehow the tur...woops, tortoise was injured and was given to Stonebeck's father in hopes that his biological expertise would save the creature.

The tortoise recuperated and has lived happily for many years, but many other members of the species have not fared as well.

For years, visitors to southwestern United States deserts took native tortoises home as pets. Highways built through the terrain further depleted their numbers.

A study by biologist Fritz Jurgen Obst revealed that neither natural enemies nor environmental changes were to blame for the dwindling numbers of tortoises but rather excessive inroads made by commercial collectors.

Unlike a turtle which can be kept in a bowl, tortoises need to be kept in a pen with a board in the sun and a board of soil on the ground because they like to dig and will burrow under a fence and escape.

"They like to keep moving," she said, which was the storybook hero's downfall.

"They just keep plugging away. You'd be surprised how far they get."

The tortoises, never given names except for "the big one" and "the little one," have had some adventures and mishaps.

Stonebeck said one day when she was walking home from school, she spotted a tortoise several blocks away from her home.

"I didn't know anybody else in my neighborhood who had a tortoise," she said. "So I went home and checked, and sure enough, it was ours.

"I went back to get him but he was too big for me to pick up and just kept walking and walking. I wondered how he could be this far from home."

Fortunately, Stonebeck said, a neighbor gave her a box and she took the adventurersome animal home. But on another occasion, a mischievous neighbor boy threw a brick in their yard and injured the other tortoise.

"It crunched the top of his shell," she said, "and my dad put duck tape on it. The poor guy still has a scar."

Stonebeck said that although her father knew that possession of the creatures was not legal, "They had been out of their habitat for a while and there was no point in putting them back — he felt they would die if he put them back."

"Her father, she said, would put the two hard-shelled pets on the lawn for walks or put them in an inch or so of water in a tray on very hot days.

"They don't ordinarily drink water (they get all their moisture from food)," she said. "But they like to sit in it when they get hot."

Stonebeck said the animals don't really respond to people, but they are drawn to the color red and to food. Besides rose petals, they eat lettuce, vegetables and potato peels.

Stonebeck also mentioned that the tortoises love tomatoes.

Stonebeck said she used to take the smaller tortoise to school for "show and tell" when she was little. Now her daughter, Kathryn, does the same.

Kathryn's kindergarten teacher, Roby Klatt, said she remembers her family having tortoises when she was young.

"But they would always get away in putting them back there."

Sometimes neighbors from blocks away would call and ask if the tortoise had "escaped," she said.

Eventually, they were all lost, she said, adding that that is probably what happens to most pet tortoises.

Klatt said she heard that one conservation agency had a dozen tortoises under the desert highways to channel and protect the tortoises from traffic at one point.

But their future, like so many other creatures on earth right now, is dim.

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