University officials ponder fate of fee hike, cutbacks

By Michael Belgard

There are other factors that could affect those proposals, such as the Persian Gulf crisis, said Ramirez.

Any economic downturn could lead to even greater cuts, while a brighter economic picture would soften the cuts, Ramirez said.

The actual budget reduction could be more than $165 million, said Ramirez. Such cuts would amount to almost 40 percent of the CSU annual budget.

A factor which could hinder Gov. Pete Wilson's proposed 20 percent tuition fee increase is the Maddy Act. That act, which limits fee increases to 19 percent per year, was passed to stabilize CSU fees in the early 1980s.

According to Steve McCarthy, a spokesperson for the CSU Chancellor's Office, the legislature would have to vote to override the Maddy Act if the proposed fee hikes were to take effect.

The state legislature so far has not reacted officially to Wilson's proposed fee increase.

Many Cal Poly students obviously don't like the proposed fee hikes, which would increase university fees by $15 per year.

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By Anne McMahon

A Poly student wrapped in a peace flag walks with other activists through campus on Tuesday during an anti-war march.

Anti-war protestors rally, march through campus

■ 300 gather in U.U. to advocate peace.

By Amy Alonso

More than 300 students chanted and held up signs on campus Tuesday morning protesting what one activist called "a war of hypocrisy."

"We are condemning Iraq for doing essentially the same thing the United States did in Panama, Nicaragua and Grenada," said Geoff Dorn, a history junior.

Protesters gathered in front of the Administration building, handing out fliers and encouraging people to attend an 11 a.m. rally in the University Union.

Protester Craig Brenizer, a natural resource management junior, said they were receiving mostly positive feedback.

"We have gotten a lot of peace signs, smiles and waves," he said.

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Bush prepares for war in Gulf

■ Last minute peace proposals continue as U.N. deadline for Iraqi withdrawal passes; Pentagon ready to execute any orders of war.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush prayed for peace but prepared for war Tuesday.

As Iraq defiantly spurned peace overtures, the Pentagon said it was "ready to execute any order we receive from the president."

The White House underscored Bush's warning that war against Iraq could come "sooner rather than later" if there was no last-minute move by President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his occupying army from Kuwait.

France said its peace initiative had elicited no response from Baghdad and that the moment to use force "has, alas, arrived."

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar made a final appeal to Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops and political leader, Abu Mady, the agency put on alert for first time in recent years.

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Brooke Fuller is responsible for donor relations at Tri-Counties Blood Bank in San Luis Obispo. She said on Monday, "I really don't know what will happen in the next few days."

"The Armed Services has done a good job so far with their own blood services," Fuller said, "but answered, "we're not discussing that."

But Cable News Network reported Tuesday that in the event of war, 1,600 pints of blood would be needed daily.

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U.S. economic sanctions might help avoid a war

By Kevin Dalrymple

If Saddam Hussein is truly another Hitler, as the Bush Administration claims, then the President should be content with the result of his troop deployment, and with leading the United States into a war with Iraq. Hussein, after an eight-year war with neighboring Iran, decides that he wants Kuwait and simply takes it. This is an indisputable action. But however awful this aggression is, it pales under any comparison to the leader of Germany during World War II. Saddam Hussein, you're no Adolf Hitler.

In the throes of the Great Depression, the world watched as Germany became an isolated, industrialized society in the mid to late 1930's. This condition was brought about by Germany's withdrawal from the League of Nations, a buildup of the German army and Hitler's cancellation of the Locarno Pact when he militarized Germany's western border. Germany's rapid expansion in the late 1930's was led by a financial dictator bent on exterminating the Jewish population. Germany's rapid expansion is much simpler. It all seems to be about money. And Hussein, in debt after an eight-year war, needs some of the green stuff. Kuwait is a rich country. It has oil and a seaport from which to export it. Which brings us to the next question. How best to hurt this man? Do you bomb him, invade his country and risk American lives? You could, but it would be awfully bloody, wouldn't it? All those nuclear and chemical weapons. Instead of that, simply prevent him from profiting from his action. Don't buy his oil.

Back in August, President Bush stopped his Hitler when he deployed massive amounts of troops to the seaports of Saudi Arabia, a kingdom that Hussein may or may not have invaded. Either way, Hussein has confined his escapades to Kuwait. He has no position to conquer the Middle East, Iraq, where the main industries are petrochemicals and oil refining, simply does not have the industrial capacity to sustain a military in the face of economic sanctions.

Now Hussein wants the 100 miles in the sand, the terrible desert wind and get the war done with. Quick. He should remember two things before proceeding. In ceasing thousands of Iraqi civilian casualties, he will be more morally better than the other "Butcher of Baghdad." And second, any war that he begins will not end. It will end with his power seized by those killed or maimed by land mines or anti-aircraft guns.

The point is, none of it has to happen. Bush and Hussein have discussed themselves into a corner that it would seem unmanly to back down now. Our President, who claims he has gone the extra mile for peace, has neglected to give Hussein a face-saving way out of his predicament. Things like this seem important to Arab leaders. On the whole, they both seem equally stubborn. The international coalition, which has spoken against Hussein's action, only accounts for one third of the troops amassed in the Saudi desert. If we do go to war, in accordance with a United Nations resolution, it will be mostly American men and women who will suffer from such stubborn pride.

George Bush used to talk of a kinder, gentler nation. He can still live up to those words. It may or may not have invaded. Either way, Hussein has...
Soviets take action for power in Latvia

RIGA, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Soviet commandos stormed a Latvian police academy Tuesday and seized weapons from cadets, and thousands as a Communist Party-led rally roared for a pro-Soviet group to take power in the republic.

In Latvia, a military helicopter circled parliament and workers dug a long trench behind the building to protect it from Soviet tanks. A government official said 30 people were missing since Sunday's military assault on the republic's television tower. Fourteen people are known to have been killed in the attack; 250 were injured.

About 5,000 Kremlins loyalists also rallied in the Estonian capital of Tallinn, condemning the separatist Estonian government.

Tensions remained high in the Baltics, where Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev has been striking back at pro-independence forces he says are violating the Soviet Constitution.

Latvian Interior Minister Alaks Vaznis accused Soviet "black belts" commandos of staging attacks that "are designed to provoke armed conflict to prompt the intervention of military units, which are combatant forces.

The commandos attacked Latvia's only police academy at 2 a.m. and took pistols, automatic weapons, snipers' rifles and grenade launchers that Vaznis said "could be used in pro-U.S. actions" against the republic's government.

Some flee Baghdad, others ready for war

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Thousands of Iraqis marched in cities across the nation Tuesday and pledged to give their lives for Soviet Hussein in a war against the alien forces.

The sound of cannon rounds burst and cars to flee the capital in the last hours before the U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait elapsed at midnight Tuesday, or 8 a.m. local time.

"The holy war is about to begin," one demonstrator in Baghdad, waving his AK-47 rifle, said his son, about 10 years old, held a shoulder bag brimming with ammunition.

Officials of the ruling Baath Arab Socialist Party said similar demonstrations were held in the major cities of Karbala, Basra and Mosul, and that altogether at least 5 million of Iraq's 18 million people took part.

Tuesday Baghdad, a city of 4 million, the marchers included government officials, students and housewives.

Americans prepare for terrorist action in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — From the dome of the Capitol to the skyscrapers of Wall Street, Americans braced Tuesday for the unfamiliar threat of terrorism.

Iraqi officials have warned that a U.S. attack would unleash a wave of terrorism against Americans. And government officials say that although most of their information points to attacks on Americans abroad, they're not taking any chance.

"There is increased security" at the White House, said presidential spokesman Martin Fitzwater, including more uniformed officers and closer inspection of people entering the grounds. A chest-high fence was erected on Pennsylvania Avenue across from the White House, where anti-war protesters gathered.

In a country long immune to the Middle Eastern terrorism that has plagued Europe for two decades, security professionals are encountering a particular challenge: how to put Americans on guard without spreading panic.

Lack of experience with terrorism and the open nature of U.S. society, combined with the country's long and often porous borders, make Americans particularly vulnerable.

An unattended bag left in a subway car or post office would bring the bomb squad running in many European and Arab capitals; in major U.S. cities it may not elicit any reaction.

Defense contractor convicted for bribery

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — Cubie Defense Systems Inc. and its former president pleaded guilty Tuesday to conspiring to bribe a senior Air Force procurement official. The company also pleaded guilty to theft of government property and filing false statements, and agreed to pay $4.65 million in penalties.

The San Diego-based contractor, a subsidiary of Cubie Corp., and its former president, Colvin C. "Sam" Wellborn, admitted conspiring to bribe former Deputy Assistant Air Force Secretary Victor D. Cohen to influence the award of three contracts.

Cohen also was sentenced to more than 32 months in prison and fined $500,000. So far, none of those convicted in the long-running investigation of military procurement fraud has been sentenced to more than 32 months in prison.

activist groups hold protests against war

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hundreds of demonstrators chanted "No blood for oil" at the downtown Federal Building Tuesday and student and religious groups held anti-war protests across the city as war clouds gathered in the Persian Gulf.

"One thing is for sure, when George Bush pulls the trigger our opposition will mount. Our cry will become louder, and that cry is, 'No blood for oil,'" said Vietnam War-era "Pentagon Papers" co-defendant Tony Russo.

As they counted down the hours to the United Nations' deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait, more than 600 marchers representing a variety of peace organizations gathered outside the downtown Federal Building.

Across the street, a trio of counterdemonstrators called for President Bush to immediately attack Iraqi forces.

"It's time to use force, Iraq has no legitimate claims to Kuwait," said Edward Smiley.

The protest was described by police as peaceful and there were no arrests.

Anti-war demonstrations were scattered throughout the region.

Doctor arrested for prescriptions fraud

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A doctor who allegedly wrote the most fraudulent narcotic drug prescriptions in California was arrested for a lengthy investigation by the state attorney general's office, authorities said.

Dr. Eric Tucker, 60, was arrested Monday at his suburban Montebello office on a warrant accusing him of conspiracy to furnish narcotics in violation of the state health code.

Special Agent Paul King said Tuesday Tucker had been earning about $100,000 in cash each year on fraudulent prescriptions for Dilaudid, a narcotic painkiller known on the streets as "dragstore heroin."

"This doctor is the No. 1 prescriber of Dilaudid in the state of California," he said.

Drugs like Dilaudid are tracked through a state computer.

Tucker also pleaded guilty to the theft of $60,000 from a state computer. Tucker faces up to 20 years in prison and fined $1 million. So far, none of those convicted for Medicare fraud has been sentenced to more than 20 years in prison.

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"I think he's reflective and resolute. And I would say that he's confident in the correctness of our course and the strength of our coalition," Fitzwater added.

Bush summoned his top national security advisers to a meeting to discuss "the full range of diplomatic and military issues relevant at this time," Fitzwater said.

The gathering included Defense Secretary Dick Cheney; Secretary of State James A. Baker III; Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Brent Scowcroft, the national security adviser, Robert Gates, Scowcroft's deputy; John Sununu, the chief of staff, and Vice President Dan Quayle.

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Hold everything! You've seen the others' "10 best" list, now take a look at one made especially for students — Mustang Daily's compilation of the best of everything that only attendees of Cal Poly would care anything about.

Through informal questioning of our personnel, Mustang Daily has found the best of categories other publications wouldn't even consider publishing.

The most important factor considered for our winners is the same factor any normal college student would use — value for the money. Understanding that even pennies start to look valuable when tuition, rent and Visa bills bombard you on the same week, this list will provide a guide of things to do that won't blow a mini-crater in your wallet.

ACTIVITIES

□ Best Place To Study: To some, there is no such place, but the upper floors of the Robert E. Kennedy Library receives the award for its quiet atmosphere, available references and rows of clean desks with a view, even if it is of the overcrowded parking lots. The U.U. is more like downtown Cal Poly than a serious study zone, and Dexter Lawn requires too much help from mother nature to be ideal.

□ Best Place To Hike: If you have no moral qualms about sliding under a barbed-wire fence with a "no trespassing" sign, Bishop's Peak is the highest location in S.L.O. that most people can realistically hike. But be prepared for a tough trip by bringing water (at least), energy food and a camera to prove your worthiness to doubters. Give yourself several hours and begin early on a clear day to drink in the intoxicating view!

□ Best Mode Of Transportation To School: Forget the energy-gobbling, exhaust-spewing rolling cages and hop on a rugged mountain bike or sleek road bike. Save $36 per quarter, avoid the parking crunch and get some exercise while you're at it. In a few weeks, the trek up Grand Avenue will be a piece of pie. For those too "delicate" to pedal in traffic, walking or taking the free bus are honorable alternatives, depending upon where you are coming from.

□ Best Intramural Sport: The popularity of coed volleyball here in the Central Coast makes this category a forgone conclusion. Rec Sports claims to have more participants in volleyball (offered every season) than any other sport. Despite the high intensity of the game, basketball loses out because of its heavy dependence upon decent referees, which aren't always possible. Softball also signs up plenty of teams but is offered only in the spring.

□ Best Coffee: Linnaea's Cafe on Garden Street offers a great selection and a strong cup of java if that's what you crave. The stylish atmosphere makes the coffee even better. The Koffee Klatch and the newer Coffee Merchant on Higuera Street were also considered.

□ Best Hamburger: It's a three-way tie even a photo-finish couldn't solve. Scrubby & Lloyd's Cafe on Carmel Street near the intersection of Higuera and Marsh Streets serves burgers that won't leave you hungry. The place is small and homey, and the atmosphere can't be beat. Bishop Hamburgers on Monterey receives mention, with its banana shakes and onion rings with fresh salsa. The more obscure Paul's on Broad Street is a hole-in-the-wall sort of hamburger place which will also fill you up if eaten with the freshly cut fries, but only tackle their Monster Burger if you haven't eaten in days.

□ Best Burrito: Tacos Acapulco wins hands down. But make sure you demand the salsa, too.

□ Best Sandwiches: Kona's, Gus's and Ono's Street Subs may be the popular names in sandwiches. But if time and money permits, sitting down in Michael's New York style deli for a thick Empire State or Manhattan sandwich on rye is pure heaven. Russian dressing and unique brands of mustard bring out the flavor in the meat, and crunchy pickle spears are complimentary. Don't dawdle because Michael's isn't open for dinner.

□ Best Delivered Pizza: This one's a close one, but Norman's edges out Woodstock's in this race. If you have tried only one of these, you owe it to yourself to try the other. Just remember to order an hour before you get hungry. If pan pizza is for you, Pizza Hut and Dominos are the speedy delivery kings.

□ Best Ice Cream: SLO Maid Ice Cream Factory sets the standard in this town with their rich, homemade formula and great variety of flavors. Baaskin-Robbins and Debbie's on Monterey Street are cool alternatives. The nice-price distinction goes to Thrifty's, if you're not picky.

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if a great need arises, we will put out a call to the media for help. From page 1

We have received blood or blood products at some time in three of the people who are 72 or older. Tri-Counties increased sharply even though there really was no measurable increase in need, Fuller said. She said there is a noticeable increase after an event which, in reality or in the minds of the public, increases the demand for blood. After the October 1989 earthquake in the San Francisco Bay Area, donations at Tri-Counties increased sharply even though there really was no measurable increase in need, Fuller said. She said the Cal Poly community provides an invaluable source of donors. Tri-Counties' mobile units often come to Cal Poly for blood drives sponsored by university clubs or organizations, fraternities, sororities and the residence halls.

The fear of AIDS is also thought to be a factor in discouraging potential donors. Fuller and many others are convinced that donating blood poses no threat to the donor. All needles are new, sterilized, and disposed of after use, she said.

Procedures instituted in 1983 detect donors considered at risk of spreading AIDS, and since 1986, all donated blood has been tested for antibodies to HIV (human immune deficiency virus) by a procedure found to be greater than 99 percent accurate in detecting potentially infectious units of blood.

The need for blood increases at certain times of the year, because of both increased need and decreased donations. Fuller said that the summer and the Christmas holiday season are two of the most difficult times of the year for the blood bank to keep up with the demand. During the summer, blood drives and individual donations are down while the need is up because of increased traffic accidents. And at Christmastime — cold and flu season — some donors are sent away until they are in better health.

Jewish belief says there are no restrictions on blood giving, without being directly asked or solicited, to a recipient unknown to the donor. By this definition, giving blood is surely on that, the highest level of charity.

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Others declined to attend because of economic cutbacks and lack of a need for new employees or interns, Watte said. Dole, Bank of America, Apio Produce Sales and Petoseed are among the companies returning. DuPont, Frito-Lay and AMK Foodservice will be companies attending the showcase for the first time.

Lisa Cork, last year's representative from Apio Produce said last year after the showcase that "The agribusiness showcase is a level of charity."

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  - Time: 9:00 AM
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  - Time: 9:00 AM
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- **NEW HEIGHTS BALLOONS**
  - Balloon Bouquets & Decorations
  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

**Word Processing**

- **Krisper's word processing**
  - Time: 9:00 AM
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  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

**Roommates**

- **ROOMS FOR RENT IN A 2BRM HOUSE EAST OF MASTER W/OWN BATH**
  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

**Rental Housing**

- **MOVE IN NOW PAY NO RENT UNTIL FEB 5**
  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

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- **NOW**
  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

**Valencia**

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  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union

**Camping**

- **Calvin H. & Kendra H.**
  - Time: 9:00 AM
  - Place: Student Union
Dorn predicts there will be a clamp down on protest. He also said, "This is totally different from the 60s. People are much more educated now." He said that the peace protest is not anti-soldier, but pro-soldier and pro-veteran.

"We all know people who may be fighting, and bringing them home alive is what it is all about," Dorn said.

As many as 300 people filled the U.U. to listen to speeches, calling for peaceful solutions to the Middle East crisis. Dorn began the rally by saying he was not willing to be crucified on the cross of the desert to fight for U.S. corporate interest.

"Power, money and greed is why our security and the Constitution," Schwartz said. "No war makes sense."

Dom said, "Every war the government sits down and makes a deal. We need to skip the war and get down to the deal."

Genny Warfield spoke to the rally about her fears for her son in the military. "I'm really disappointed, but to me it wasn't really unexpected," she said. "I'm kind of relieved that I'm graduating. It bothers me that I'm going to be paying more for less."

One student said that Wilson's proposal was reasonable. "I would say I think it's pretty reasonable. Fifty-two dollars per quarter is not going to be a big difference," said Stephen Bank, a mechanical engineering senior.

"It's unfortunate that people will have to pay more, but it's just economics. I think you have to compromise."