Clinton denies any link to illegal loan

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President Bill Clinton

The defense abruptly rested its case after he testified. A witness for the defense, Clinton was questioned in the White House on April 28 and the tape was shown to rapt jurors, some of whom took notes. He was accompanied by both the prosecutor and defense attorneys as "Mr. President."

Although Clinton is not charged in the case, his videotaped appearance marked one of few times in history that a sitting president has testified in a criminal trial.

And it thrust Clinton into a criminal case involving issues from his days as Arkansas governor that have dogged him since the 1992 political campaign.

James McDougal and Gov. Jim Guy Tucker are being tried on charges of conspiring to defraud McDougal's savings and loan of nearly $3 million in government-backed loans in the mid-1980s, including one to McDougal's former wife, Susan. The McDougals are former business partners of the Clintons; Tucker is Clinton's successor in the statehouse.

At the start of his testimony, the president disputed the testimony of David Hale, the chief prosecution witness, who had said Clinton urged him to make a $300,000 loan from Hale's federally backed lending company to McDougal in 1986.

"All I know is that any suggestion that I tried to get any money from him, or I tried to keep that a secret, or I put any pressure on him, these things are simply not true. They didn't."

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One-time-only chance granted to students to change U grades to W

"Students now have a one-time-only chance to improve their academic standing at Cal Poly."

The Academic Senate passed a resolution in November that allows students to appeal for a change of a U grade to a W grade.

According to Marcia Friedman, associate registrar, students are only allowed to make on a U to W grade change in their last quarter.

Students who currently have a U grade on their record have until Dec. 31 to have it changed.

"There is no rule that says a professor has to drop a student," Friedman said.

According to Friedman, the Office of Academic Records will provide a means for correction, "It's really just trying to make the campus safer for students."

A U grade is an unauthorized incomplete grade which is equal to a fail, Friedman said.

"Students receive U grades from never dropping a class or not even attending," she said. Students are responsible for dropping a class, Friedman said.

While some faculty will always drop a student, others never do.

"There is no rule that says a professor has to drop a student," Friedman said.

According to Carol Wills, from the office of Academic Records, the change has been in high demand.

"We provided this opportunity to students because of the overwhelming amount of requests we received each quarter," Wills said.

Academic Records receives around 500 requests each quarter by students, she said.

The U to W Grade Change Appeal form is available from the Academic Records Office on the second floor of the Administration Building.

According to Friedman, the Office of Academic Records will decide a policy for Cal Poly.

The policy presented to the senate is corrective and doesn't provide for punitive action.

Student/teacher relationships have always elicited controversy and Cal Poly is no exception.

A proposal to redefine appropriate student/teacher relationships was presented to the Academic Senate Executive Committee Tuesday.

The proposal, written by the Status of Women committee, says Cal Poly's policy is that faculty members or other institutional staff should not be involved in any amorous or sexual relationships with any student whom they evaluate or supervise.

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The Status of Women committee, chaired by business professor Terri Swartz, began to explore the problem of student/professor relationships a year ago.

The committee looked both internally at the problem at Cal Poly and externally to the effects such relationships had on other institutions.

Swartz didn't have exact figures on how common such relationships are at Cal Poly.

"It's more common than you think," she said.

After evaluating the information gathered, the committee decided that a policy for Cal Poly was necessary.

Cal Poly does not currently have a policy which deals directly with student/professor relationships, though the topic is briefly dealt with in the employee handbook.

"The goal of the policy is to create awareness that this is inappropriate behavior, and to provide a means for correction," Swartz said. "It's really just trying to make the campus safer for students."

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Keep professors, students professional'

By Jesse Miller

Trina Jorgensen and Terri Swartz, both professors of business at Cal Poly, believe the current policy for student/professor relationships is not strong enough.

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ARCO and Chevron agree to reduce gas prices 4.3 cents

By T. Scott Reckard
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Atlantic Richfield Co. and Chevron Corp. said Thursday that they will pass along to dealers and company-owned service stations the full savings if the government reduces the gasoline excise tax by 4.3 cents per gallon.

The 4.3 cents is a surcharge imposed three years ago as part of President Clinton's deficit-reduction package. Pressure has increased for its repeal recently as gasoline prices have shot up.

Clinton says he is ready to go along with the gas tax rollback, which cleared the House Ways and Means committees Thursday. Republican leaders said they expect final action before Memorial Day. But some economists and many Democrats question if the savings will be passed along to motorists.

ARCO and Chevron, competitor in the California market, where prices have soared highest and produced the most protests, said they would immediately cut their wholesale prices by 4.3 cents per gallon if the rollback occurs.

In a statement from its San Francisco headquarters, Chevron said the change would be reflected fully in prices consumers pay at its 600 company owned filling stations. However, the more than 7,000 independent Chevron dealers set their own gas prices based on many factors, the company said.

"It is impossible to predict where gasoline prices may stand in absolute terms at any time in the future," Chevron said.


"However, if these taxes are reduced, it is logical in a free market economy that overall prices will rise in the future be lower for our customers than they otherwise would have been by the amount of the tax decrease."

ARCO's chairman, Michael R. Bowlin, said the Los Angeles-based oil company can't legally require dealers to pass along any price reductions from the company.

Bowlin said ARCO's internal forecasts show gas prices are heading lower. That echoed findings of government energy officials who said the cost of a gallon of gas has dropped by a half cent this week at pumps in California after rising for more than three months.

The dip was an average of $1.54 a gallon was recorded in state and federal surveys reviewed by the Los Angeles Times. Experts say the dip, in turn, was preceded by a 5-cent decline in wholesale prices.

And the drop in wholesale prices was prompted by a 23 per cent surge in gasoline production at the state's oil refineries.

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TOP OF THE AGENDA

May

15 days left in spring quarter
TODAY'S WEATHER: mostly sunny
TOMORROW'S WEATHER: light winds
Today's high/low: 80°/56° Tomorrow's high/low: 80°/56°

"Take Back The Night" is taking place May 16. Doors open in Chumash Auditorium at 6:30 p.m. Keynote speaker Katie Rooster will present her program "No/Yes" at 7 p.m. and a campus protest will start at 8:45 p.m. There will also be a post-match rally. For more information, call 756-2600.

Upcoming

Cal Poly Ballroom Dance Club invites everyone to attend its car wash fund-raiser May 11 at the corner of Santa Rosa and Mill Streets. The cost is only 54 per vehicle and a free hot dog will be given to those with advance ticket purchases. Tickets can be purchased by calling 783-2571.

Beginning May 12, Zeta Phi Beta sorority will be hosting their second annual Finer Womanhood Week. There will be a workshop on "Black Women's Health and Nutrition" May 13 at 7 p.m.; and a "Dating, Mating and Relating" comedy forum at 7 p.m. in building 52, room B-05 on May 14.

"I would be surprised if we don't see reductions (in gas prices) over the next two weeks."

Charles Imbrecht
Chairman California Energy Commission

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK

By E. Scott Rockord

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"I would be surprised if we don't see reductions (in gas prices) over the next two weeks," said Charles Imbrecht, chairman of the California Energy Commission.

The price decline has varied from region to region. Some sta-

tions in the Sacramento area report drops of several cents a gallon while those in San Diego County report lesser dips.

"It's $1.07 this week, a 2-cent drop from last week. I'm a legale as I can be a chooser, so it's better than nothing," said Kenneth Bowe, a middle school English teacher, as he gassed up at a San Diego Chevron station.

Experts warn the decline may be slow and could be reversed if the fuel delivery system hits any further snags.

A fire at a Shell plant in Mar-

tine and another at Arco's Los Angeles refinery, added to higher world crude prices, helped trig-

ger the 30 percent gasoline price rise in California. A state law re-

quiring cleaner-burning fuels also contributed to the tight supply, at least as six major oil refineries in California stopped making gasoline because they decided it was too expen-

sive.
**GRADES:** Students have one year to change grades from page 1 determine whether students have used their one time U to W option when they pick up the form. Students who have not already used their one opportunity will be given the form, which will then have to be signed by the instructor who issued the U grade. The department head will then have to sign the form.

Once the appropriate signatures have been obtained, students are required to pay a $20 administrative cost at the cashier's office before turning in the form.

Beginning Jan. 1, 1997, students will only have one year from the time a U grade is received to have the grade changed before it becomes permanent on their record, Friedman said.

"We are hoping a lot of students will take advantage of the resolution," she said. "We are expecting it to be popular."

**SENATE: 'Some definitions lacking in proposal'**

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Swartz said she was pleased with the response of the executive council, which voted to place the proposal on the next full senate meeting agenda.

The committee did bring up a few situations which they said the proposal did not deal with adequately.

For instance, some were concerned about the student who has an on-going relationship with a professor and must take a class which only that professor teaches.

In that situation, the professor would have to let the department chair know about the relationship, according to Swartz.

**AUTHORS: More than 100 students attended**

From page 1

language professor.

The few students that were there seemed pleased to meet the people that had written some of their textbooks. Anyone that had taken chemistry or statistics 211 would have familiar knowledge of some of the books. The proposal is not without controversy. "This is political pandering . . . (It's) nothing but one, or perhaps two, politicians running for national political office," said Florida Rep. Sam Gibbons, the ranking Democrat on the panel, in a clear reference to both House Speaker Tom Foley and Clinton.

He suggested there was no need to cut the gasoline tax to deal with what most economists believe is a temporary price spike.

"We need to roll back this tax," countered Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, the panel's chairman, who questioned whether it should have been imposed in the first place three years ago.

The 4.3-cent-a-gallon tax was approved in 1993 on top of an existing 14-cent-a-gallon levy as part of a broader deficit reduction effort championed by Clinton and Democrats who were then the majority in Congress. Not a single Republican lawmak-er voted for it.

But Democrats on the panel repeatedly raised concern over whether the savings will make it to the consumer.

Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., called it "an open invitation" to the oil companies to increase profit margins during the summer months when demand is high and gasoline stockpiles are tight. The House lawmakers had no assurance that the tax savings will be passed on, he said.

The House bill would repeal the tax six days after the bill becomes law. The levy would be reinstated on Jan. 1, 1997. If passed, on the tax cut would save motorists about $15 over the seven months, assuming average travel of 15,000 miles a year in a vehicle that gets 25 miles per gallon.

Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich., suggested it be just as good to give every motorist a $15 check and keep the tax. "There's no assurance consumers will ever see this," he said. "Prices are likely to go up."

A proposal by Rangel to require that the industry pass on the tax savings was rejected 21-15 after Republicans said it would be impossible to enforce and amounted to an attempt by government to fix prices. "We have in the oil industry a very competitive market place," said Rep. Jim McCrery, R-La., adding he was convinced consumers would benefit and that the government should not tell oil companies how to price their products.

The tax measure cleared the House committee along generally party lines, 23-13, with all but two Democrats voting against it. The panel's Republican majority was solid in its support.

The tax reduction is expected to save $6 billion in Treasury dollars with the money to be made up by auctioning off additional radio frequencies for private use. In a tweet at Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary, who has come under sharp GOP criticism for her overseas travels, the bill also would make up some lost revenue by cutting her administrative and travel budgets.
School spirits

Editor,  
This is a response to President Baker's announcement that the new Performing Arts Center will be allowed to sell alcohol during certain performances on a "dry campus." Suddenly, it made sense why the Performing Arts Council told the theater and dance department that, even though the Performing Arts Center was built on campus and has been successful in acquiring resources such as parking, they could not use the facilities nor would there be any classroom space in the building. I had no idea the administration had so much concern for the drama department! Obviously, they didn't want those drama students drinking the booze.

Seriously, though, maybe it's about time we gave up on this whole "dry campus" thing. Does it really stop students from drinking? Does anyone really think students go to college to learn about Kreb's Cycle or Maxwell's Equations? Hell no! Students go to college to get drunk and get laid! Why do you think they call it a bachelor's degree?

This is a response to President McShane.

Congratulations! I am an aunt yet again. But this time it is different. This time, I have a nephew. Yes, I finally have a nephew. After five lines I didn't think this moment would ever come, but it has. Thanks to my sister, I can now say I have a nephew.

His name is Jeffrey James Nelson and he was born on April 2. We had no idea what the baby would be, so when they called me to tell me it was a boy, I was thrilled beyond belief! I have been so used to taking care of my little nieces that it is a change (in more ways than one) to take care of a little boy.

First of all, there is that thing between his legs that I have never had to deal with when changing diapers. My little niece Alyssa, J.J.'s sister, calls it a pencil. She and little boys have pencils and girls have erasers. You can't blame it on me (even though I was there holding J.J. seeing as how Auntie Shari does have an overactive imagination when it comes to things of a sexual nature) when he came up with that one on his own.

Pencils cause a lot of problems that I was never aware of, but there is one big one problem. If you're not careful, they can function like a fire hose and soak you while you are trying to change a diaper.

In a recent Baby Blues comic strip, the dad is straddled, diaperless, with a naked baby boy He yells for help and the mother brings him the diaper. The diaper turns to her and says, "Now I know what the bomb squad feels like." You never know what you're going to blow. The best part about having a nephew is getting to buy cute little boy clothes. This is what bugs my boyfriend the most! Every time I walk into the children's section of a store, I go into my aunt stage. "OOGH! Look at this. How CUUUTE! This is so adorable! Won't be so cute in this! Oh, I have to get it for him."

Fallacies, generalizations and Grape Nuts, oh my!

Editor,  
This letter is in response to Kurt Horner's well-written column, "Own the whine" (Mustang Daily, May 8). While most of Mr. Horner's points are somewhat valid, I must take issue with a select few.

Mr. Horner indicates that "environmentalists... decry private property systems as a threat to the environment." I am an environmentalist, and I do not feel threatened by private property systems, as a general rule. I do, however, feel threatened by large corporations which value short-term economic gains over long-term ecological health, and sustainability, and then, when their timber is in short supply, point their collective fingers at a large, nocturnal, spotted bird of prey as the bane of their existence.

Mr. Horner further suggests that there are no conflicts in the Atlantic Northeast between loggers and environmentalists, and the spotted owl controversy has come about because of public ownership.

First, to reason that land ownership regimes are the root of this controversy is a fallacy; the ecological environment of those two regions are way too polarized to provide for any meaningful comparison. In essence, he is attempting to compare apples and oranges (or, in this case, hemlocks and sugar maples). Second, recognize that many environmentalists wouldn't even think of attempting to transfer ownership of privately-owned Pennsylvania tree farms into the hands of those who manage Pacific Northwest forests (large timber industries or the U.S. Forest Service).

Lastly, please understand that "environmentalist" is a misleading term and it should not be generalized. Few people who are self-described "environmentalists" subscribe to the Unabomber's beliefs. "We are all Green." But is that a sensible way to think? Should we say we don't trust anyone who wants to protect the environment? Should we "trust" Communists who shun technology and avoid deodorants? "We would agree with the point that our most powerful weapons against environmental degradation are a strong land ethic and a healthy market economy. "We just want a planet our offspring will be proud of.

Shari Covenberry is a Daily Staff Writer.

Editor,  
I am interested in the opinions of the folks who are debating the validity of the Jewish Holocaust. I would like to communicate the views of the Cal Poly Peace and Justice Club. We work to end the oppression of all human beings worldwide, not limited to but including genocide. We would like to make it clear that we work for a world beyond national borders and we believe in the equal treatment of all human beings, not limited to but including Jews. We believe in the need for peace, not war, for the resolution of conflicts. We believe in the need for dialogue and discussion, not violence and force. We believe in the need for education and awareness, not ignorance and fear. We believe in the need for cooperation and collaboration, not competition and conflict. We believe in the need for justice and equality, not discrimination and oppression.

Sincerely,

Mike Brennan  
English junior
OAKLAND, Calif. — On the field, the rebuilding Oakland Athletics are holding their own. At the gate, they're taking a beating with the lowest attendance in major league baseball.

"When I did it," he said. "The way they treat you is like being in the big leagues.

"It just didn't work out like we wanted to in the beginning of the year," Macalutas said. "Any success I've been fortunate enough to have is a reflection of the people around me." Macalutas said.

"Baseball is such a humbling sport, because where else do you fail seven out of ten times, and you're doing a great job? If you are working on dealing with the failures," Price said.

"It's not how much success you have, it's how you deal with the failures," he added. "If you focus on the successes, you might not get as much out of it as if you worked on dealing with the failure."}

Coach Price had nothing but praise for Macalutas.

"John Macalutas is without question one of the finest players on the West Coast," Price said. "The thing that will stand out the most for me will be watching him touch second base when he hits a fly ball to an outfield. It's hustle you rarely see in a young man."

"It's his hitting that makes him such a great player," said Price. "Through Tuesday's game, Macalutas is hitting .328 for his career at Cal Poly with 138 RBIs and 19 home runs.

"Put a bat in his hand and he's a special player," Price said. "He has a God-given gift to swing a bat. He's an outstanding hitter. There's a lot of guys that can hit average pitching, the guys that are special are the ones that can hit the outstanding pitching. He is certainly capable of hitting outstanding pitching and he's done it throughout his career."

Oakland A's fall short in attendance

by Dennis Geoghegan

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OAKLAND, Calif. — The Oakland Athletics are holding their own at the gate, they're taking a beating with the lowest attendance in major league baseball.

"We've had a tremendous success," added manager Art Howe. "We're doing our part. We can't do any more for them.

Despite Oakland's solid play, an April 21 game against Milwaukee drew 6,021, the major league low and the smallest crowd at the Oakland Coliseum in 10 years. Little more than a week later, 6,721 showed up for a game against California and Monday night's crowd of 6,410 was the smallest to see a game involving the Indians since 1992.

Victoria Munoz, an A's season-ticket holder for the last eight years, said some fans simply lost interest in baseball during the strike and have yet to regain it.

"A lot of them didn't come back," she said. "I just don't see a lot of people that used to come all the time," she said.

To be sure, the A's have had to deal with some difficult circumstances, starting with playing their first six home games in Las Vegas to give construction crews additional time to get the Coliseum baseball-ready. The football-driven renovation was part of the deal to sell the Raiders to Oakland.

The A's, like other teams, are still being hit by some something fan resentment over the strike that began earlier last season.

Also, the club has undergone dramatic personnel changes since developers Steve Schott and Ken Hefmann bought the A's from the Haas family last November. The player payroll was cut from $43 million in 1995 to $45 million this season by letting go players such as Ricky Henderson, Todd Stottlemyre, Stan Javier, and Dennis Eckersley, among others.

"Our team has changed its identity, really," said general manager Sandy Alderson, one of the few front-office holdovers. "We had changes to the stadium which have made people hesitate to buy tickets and the Bay area is a very tough market."
The Mustangs will waste no time next season, jumping right into a more competitive schedule. Their first opponent in the 1997 season is UCLA.
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WHITEWATER: Judge still must decide whether to give media, others access to potentially damaging videotaped testimony.

By Steve Moore

"The president was dressed in a dark suit and was seated as he testified. From the Hale account to various events involving his Whitewater land venture, his testimony was a replay of what he has been saying for two years," Clinton said. He said never borrowed money from the McDougals' failed savings and loan and never asked anyone else to borrow it on his behalf.

Under cross-examination by prosecutor Jahn, the president said he might have been involved in helping to obtain a $20,000 unsecured bank loan in 1978 that he and McDougal used as a down payment for the Whitewater venture.

"I might have, I had some friends who worked there. And I knew the people who owned the bank," Clinton said.

During cross-examination, Jahn strayed from the central focus of the trial to examine the Clinton-McDougal relationship. How did the two couples form the Whitewater venture? How did James McDougal raise the Whitewater-related documents might be bogus. He said, too, he had not given anyone permission to sign his name.

The president also testified that his and Hillary Rodham Clinton's signatures on Whitewater-related documents might be bogus. He said, too, he had not given anyone permission to sign his name.

The events at issue occurred a decade ago, while Clinton was Arkansas governor. Prosecutors had been preparing their case for two years.

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MISTER BOFFO

by Joe Martin

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IN THE BLEACHERS

by Steve Moore

ARE YOU READY?
Mr. Hustle

By Greg Manifold

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No NCAA berth, men's tennis season ends

By Jennifer Carmel

Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly men's tennis team strengthened its claim this season as one of the most successful, yet unrecognized teams on campus. The team had its sights set on a berth in the NCAA tournament, but their efforts fell short.

Unfortunately, the Mustangs' season ended with a loss in the conference tournament. While some players expressed disappointment, they also acknowledged the team's hard work and dedication throughout the season.

The Mustangs concluded their season with a 16-5 record, but their hopes for a NCAA bid were dashed. Despite their efforts, the team fell short of their goal.

Winning the conference tournament would have given the Mustangs a chance at a NCAA berth, but their loss to UC San Diego ended their season on a disappointing note.

The team's disappointment was evident as they gathered around their coach, who spoke of the hard work and sacrifice that went into their season. While the season may not have ended as they had hoped, the Mustangs had a lot to be proud of.

Their dedication and hard work throughout the season were not forgotten, and they were rewarded for their efforts.

Cal Poly's left fielder, Don Macalutas stepped in to face San Diego State reliever Justin Basteyns in the bottom of the seventh inning last Sunday. With two outs, and the Mustangs leading 4-0, Macalutas and everyone at San Luis Obispo Stadium realized this would be his last home at bat in a Cal Poly uniform. Getting a 0-2 for the day, the 22-year-old-Macalutas wanted nothing more than to find his four years at Cal Poly on a high note.

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Cal Poly Record Book

Jon Macalutas

1st | Career games played
207
1st | Career base hits
241
1st | Career runs scored
153
1st | Career doubles
48
1st | Career hit by pitch
38
2nd | Career at bats
734
2nd | Career RBI
138
3rd | Career home runs
19

Cal Poly Head Baseball Coach Rich Price congratulates Jon Macalutas (left) after breaking the Cal Poly runs scored record. Daily photo by Greg Manifold

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The Mustangs finished the season 16-4, coming within inches of earning a berth in the Division-I NCAA tournament. Despite the loss, the Mustangs were still proud of their season and their chances to improve next year.

"Everybody played phenomenal this season," said No. 2 singles player Casey Wood. "Everybody played well when they needed to.

This was especially the case against the University of Arkansas, which most players recognized as the team's biggest win of the season.

Outstanding singles play by No. 1 Chris Magyary, No. 3 Tony Piensta, No. 4 Alex Reyes, and No. 6 Nadare Izadi, helped notch the 4-3 victory.

Magg image the outcome with the prospect of cracking the Top 50 in the rankings. The 4-3 victories in the weekend series against SDSU and USD also rank among the highest with the players since Cal Poly had never beaten either school.

Much of the team's success, Magyary said, was due to its competitive nature.

"Individuals, (this is) probably the one team that hated to lose more than any team I've seen," he said.

We gutted them out and that was an accomplishment," said Magyary.

One might also say that talent had a little something to do with the team's success.

Magyary at the No. 1 slot led the pool of young Mustang players.

With a 16-5 record, Magyary was also the only player considered for an individual berth in the NCAA tournament. He was not given a spot because his record in regional play wasn't considered good enough.

"I was more disappointed for