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## Closure order disruptions

Governor Ronald Reagan's closing of the 19 California state college campuses and the nine university campuses will probably be making waves for some time to come, and already there is talk of closing the campuses down permanently.

As a result of the closure several events on this campus were interrupted. Elections Committee met at 6:30 p.m. last night to determine the continuance of ASI elections. Because the meeting was held after press time Mustang Daily was unable to get an official report, but Paul Kresge, ASI president, speculated that the elections will be held tomorrow. Approximately 1500 votes were cast in the one day of balloting last Wednesday. The ballots were then locked in a safe and haven't been touched, he added.

The hearing for the two Iranian students arrested during Poly Royal, rescheduled for last Thursday, was again postponed. No time or date have been set for the hearing yet.

An announcement released yesterday stated that "at the college's request, the district attorney has agreed not to proceed with criminal action against the two Iranian students, Behzad Alavi and Mohammed Fayyaz Sanavi. The college will proceed with the student disciplinary action."

San Luis Obispo County District Attorney, Robert Tate, said, "Our office was asked by the administration at Cal Poly to drop any civil charges against the two students. We had not filed any charges at that time and we were only considering the matter but we will not file any charges now and we will leave the prosecution up to the school administration."

A group of Iranian students have filed and received permission to hold a rally on the

Library Lawn at 11 a.m. today. At that rally they plan to discuss the arrest of their Iranian brothers and U.S. involvement in South East Asia.

Announcements circulating on campus indicated that the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Third World Liberation Front, the Arab Students Association, the Black Students Union (BSU), and Students for New Action Politics (SNAP) would participate in the rally along with the Iranian students.

The 12-hour long Mustang Almanac of Ethnic American Music was also canceled from its scheduled Saturday run. The sponsoring College Program Fine Arts Committee unanimously agreed to forward a letter to Gov. Ronald Reagan asking that the state be made responsible for the money spent to meet the contractual agreements.

Tampering with the "P" on the hill overlooking the east end of the campus may have caused cancellation of a Military Science Department luncheon yesterday.

The words "ROTC off campus" were outlined on the white cement forming the "P", visible to students and faculty as they arrived at the college yesterday morning.

President Robert E. Kennedy issued the directive cancelling the luncheon and met with three ROTC student officers immediately afterward. He was, however, unavailable for comment to Mustang Daily.

The luncheon was designed by the Military Science Department to honor students in the department for superior academic achievement and outstanding leadership in co-curricular activities this year. An award was also to be presented to Dr. Clyde P. Fisher, dean of the School of Applied Sciences.



The campus closure posed problems for many, allowed people with legitimate business to enter the campus. Photo by Gerry Lovelace

## Editor speaks here

by JOHN CAPUANO  
Staff Writer

Around the world in 40 minutes is not an easy accomplishment, even in these days of Apollo flights. Yet that is the task William Randolph Hearst, Jr. took last Wednesday when he spoke before a capacity crowd during lunch hour at the Little Theater.

In describing the international scene, Hearst, widely traveled author and Pulitzer Prize winner, started an imaginary trip from California heading west over the blue Pacific, systematically covering many of the world's trouble spots.

Speaking first of Southeast Asia, the editor-in-chief of the Hearst newspapers said he believed Nixon's recent decision to send American troops into Cambodia was sound to prevent the North Vietnamese from surrounding United States troops and eventually sweeping them into the sea. Hearst felt an invasion of Viet Cong sanctuaries in Cambodia necessary.

The Vietnam War proves a great frustration, in Hearst's words, to a nation which has known nothing but victory. But to pull out now would be to throw all of Indochina into Communist hands and to break our nation's word to stand against Communism, he said. "If that is not

important to us," he stated, "then we are already a second-rate power."

Moving to the Middle East, the guest lecturer called the current conflict there one for the possession of that black gold called oil. He sees it as the battleground between the powers of the East and West. Africa, he notes, is quietly, but certainly, emerging as a threat to the two reigning world powers.

Hearst hardly discussed Europe because of the shortage of time. He thought De Gaulle's replacement, Georges Pompidou, was leading France on a good path after years of leadership by a man who ruled "according to his moods."

Latin America was the last stop. Hearst believes the seeds of revolution have been sown and are ready to emerge any time. This area, in his opinion, is ripe for Communism.

The noted author stressed that the greatest enemy to world peace is Communism. Many believe that world domination by Communism is just a myth now, he commented, but "Russia and China haven't heard about it."

Any one area would have easily filled the time allotted the speaker, but in the manner of a man who has spent over fifty years in the newspaper profession, he was able to summarize the past, present and

possible future conditions in an orderly and concise fashion.

Hearst's humor was an added feature of his lecture. At one point he described himself as a fellow "who lives up the road", referring to Hearst Castle at San Simeon, where he spends a month or so each year.

He spoke not to an audience but as if to individuals. The audience responded to this casual informality minus the usual sneezes and coughs.

The Hearst visit, co-sponsored by the college and Sigma Delta Chi, honorary journalism fraternity, included the noon lecture, a luncheon and a tour of the Journalism and Printing Departments.

## College praised

"It is high time the system got a top to bottom overhauling." These were not the words of a campus radical or revolutionary. They were not in the form of a demand, which today has become a fashionable means of obtaining goals.

This appeal was a question William Randolph Hearst, Jr. put (Continued on page 3)



The "P" on the hill was the object of student protest and vandalism yesterday. Is it possible that the anti-ROTC feelings that have been sweeping a great number of other college campuses have finally come to rest here?

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# Quiet southern equality

WASHINGTON (UPI) —In some parts of the South, the Negro's drive for equality seems to be making more headway, with less friction, than it is in the urban communities of the North. This observation —which

directly contradicts a widely held assumption that the South is more resistant to racial change than the North —is based on a recent three-week visit to South Carolina.

South Carolina still has rural backwaters in which white hostility toward integration can find expression in such acts as overturning school buses.

But it no longer is a predominantly agricultural state. And in its thriving industrial cities, such as

Columbia, Greenville, Spartanburg, and Aiken, black people today enjoy a degree of economic opportunity and social acceptance that is astounding to one who remembers what things were like a few years ago.

The big industrial corporations such as DuPont, Allied Chemical, Owens-Corning and Kimberly-Clark, which are building new plants in South Carolina at a rate of nearly \$1 billion a year, hire and promote Negroes on a basis of full equality. And the state has an extensive network of vocational schools to prepare Negroes as well as whites for skilled technological employment.

The result has been a dramatic upgrading of Negro

economic status and the emergence of a rapidly-growing Negro middle class.

In cities visited by this reporter, public school integration has been accomplished with little trouble, and seems to be accepted matter-of-factly by most whites. And it is real, not token, integration. Columbia has a much more representative-racial balance in its public schools than many northern cities where de facto segregation prevails.

Negroes comprise more than a third of the state's registered voters and their growing political power is clearly reflected in public affairs. The South Carolina Democratic Party, at its state convention last month, elected a Negro as its vice chairman and rejected a platform plank which Negro delegates regarded as an indirect endorsement of separate school systems.

The most astounding change has occurred in the social mores which once relegated Negroes to a status of blatantly-proclaimed inferiority.

A black couple now can go to any of Columbia's top restaurants without fear of being rebuffed or seated behind a pillar. Negro debutantes have their pictures published on the society page. A Negro boy was named winner of a DAR citizenship award.

The millenium hasn't arrived in South Carolina. Racism still exists there, as it does everywhere else in America. But even those Negro leaders who are most impatient for more rapid progress will acknowledge, in private conversation, that the past few years have brought remarkable changes.

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He also works with environmental problems, through engineering skills that will help with air and water pollution, conservation, community planning.

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# Hearst report lauds college

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 lord) in his "Editor's Report" regarding his recent speaking engagement at this campus.  
 Hearst, a fairly well known supporter of President Nixon's war policies, chose world affairs as his subject. At a time when campus violence is breaking out throughout the country with Cambodia as the main theme,

one could well understand Hearst's apprehension.

"It was impossible to avoid the controversial issue of recent events in Southeast Asia. So practically at the outset I waded right in with my fingers crossed," wrote the editor of the Hearst newspapers.

"All through it (the speech) the kids sat attentive and obviously

interested. They laughed at my few attempts at humor, applauded in gratifying fashion when I finished, later gathered around to ask many specific questions," said Hearst, even though college officials "assured me there were many in my audience who also felt strongly against the war. Disorder and the shouting down of unwanted opinions, however, are not the rule of life at Cal Poly."

"I want to take this opportunity to personally thank the student body for its courtesy in hearing me out and for making academic freedom a living truth," Hearst writes.

Why, then, do students so violently attack their own country, its institutions and

leaders at other schools?

Part of the answer, Hearst feels, lies in the fact that too many of our institutions of higher learning are "infested with radically minded professors and courses with no constructive purpose."

He is convinced that most college students have too little to do, too few academic challenges from courses that train them for specific careers—especially in their freshmen and sophomore years.

## Artist discovers method of copying monuments

Rubbings of ancient Maya monuments will be on display in the library foyer May 10 through 21.

This display, sponsored by the Fine Arts Committee, is the creation of Merle Greene, a noted archaeological illustrator.

The Maya civilization existed in Central America from 1500 B.C. to 900 A.D. The inaccessibility of the ancient Maya relief sculpture, which range up to 15 feet in height, forced Merle Greene to travel by dugout canoe and to hire native guides with machettes to hack through the jungle in order to arrive at her destination.

The rubbings were done over a period of several years using a technique developed by the artist. Handmade Japanese paper is anchored to the relief sculpture, then starting at the top, the paper is wet down and pressed carefully into every crevice with

a piece of cloth. After it is dry, an oil pigment is tapped on with the thumb wrapped in a piece of thin China silk which is pressed to a square of aluminum thinly spread with pigment. Thus the design is created on the paper.

The purpose of Miss Greene's work is to record in full-scale, all Maya monuments and bas-relief tablets that can be located for study by archaeologists and art historians.



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# Hotline for everyone

by JONNIE FUENTES  
Staff Writer

It was going on three hours that Bill had been sitting patiently by the phone waiting for it to ring. On the other end of the wire, it seemed like forever that the young coed had been waiting for someone to take the time to understand her.

In time, the phone rang and Bill answered it, "Hotline." The two talked, quiet talk, small talk, about anything, about everything. In a while they hung up and Bill wondered if he had accomplished anything. Maybe he hadn't, but there was always the possibility that he had.

Every day between the hours of 3 a.m. to 3 p.m. this scene takes place in San Luis Obispo. The person manning the phone line could be a student (and often times is), a housewife, a nun, a professional, even a high schooler. On the other side of the wire could be you or a friend at a desperate or merely lonely time. If it is you or a friend, make sure the number you dial is 543-kool.

Hotline is a Family Services-

sponsored organization, working as an emergency phone counseling service. It is fast becoming one of the most significant community-campus unifying factors in the area. There is great involvement among community leaders, local citizens, and students from this campus, Cuesta Community College, and the local high schools alike.

The cornerstone of the Hotline Service was laid in part by members of this college along with Family Services. Among them are Mrs. Shirley Wright of the Student Activities office, Dr. Dale Federer, psychology instructor. A good many volunteers are members this student body.

An interview with Bill Stewart, a Hotline volunteer, revealed some of the many interesting facts of the Hotline procedure. According to Stewart, Hotline operates on a completely anonymous basis in order to insure the confidence of the callers and the protection of the volunteers themselves.

The main operating precept of Hotline is to avail immediate referral aids to persons in an

emergency situation. Hotline volunteers are screened through the campus Counseling Service and prepared for work by six single hours of training. Qualifications for a Hotline volunteer are a bare minimum: stability of mind and emotions. This precept is determined by a test administered by the counseling service called the Minnesota Multiphase Personality Inventory (MMPI).

Basically, Hotline volunteers are becoming more and more equipped to give information on any situation that may arise. By calling 543-kool, one may receive help for bad drug trips or unwanted pregnancies, marriage counseling, information of divorce, welfare, housing, education, where to get food stamps, mental health and many more.

Volunteers manning the phone lines on their particular four hour shift are equipped with a book of referrals familiarly known as "The bible." In "the bible" are listed names and addresses of professional help for each particular problem. A client who is on drugs and wants to know how to get off is then referred to a professional individual in the San Luis Obispo area who is trained to cope with its likes. Among the referrals are the Family Services Board, Cal Poly Health Center, the Welfare Department and many others.

The Hotline Board Committee is manned by a five man staff: Rev. John Fuller, of the Family Services Center and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church; Dr. Dale Federer, instructor of psychology on this campus; Hal Tune, registered nurse at County General and chairman of the Hotline Committee; Isabel Phillips, main coordinator for Hotline volunteers; and Debbie Alberti, in charge of screening volunteers.

When asked what the ratio

between serious calls and less immediate calls were, Hotline volunteer Shirley Wright said, "The frequency of serious calls isn't as high as the calls we get from people who are just plain lonely and need someone to hear them out—someone who is involved in their problem but yet not too involved."

Many calls received are from young kids, high school age with problems they can't take to their parents or friends.

"We try to catch lonely people so they can't get worse than lonely," said Mrs. Wright.

In larger cities, Hotline is used as a funnel to air fuming emotions. The San Luis Obispo Hotline cannot be compared to the Dare Organization in San Diego or the Crisis Center of New York City.

Instead, Hotline in this area can be viewed as an extension of communications between people of different generations and of the same generation. Hotline can also be a concrete reminder that there is a definite need to offer help as well as receive it.

If you want to talk or just listen dial 543-kool.

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