

# Baggett ticket sweeps ASI

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Max Boveri and Denny Johnson after the election

## Close finish stuns voters

by PAUL SIMON  
Editor-in-Chief

Robin Baggett slipped into the driver's seat of the Associated Students, Inc. by the seat of his pants Friday night with a 23-vote margin over Pete Evans.

The Baggett-Johnson-Lampson ticket swept into power in a fiercely contested, down-to-the-wire election.

Voters cast 2,973 ballots for Baggett and 2,950 for Evans, the current ASI president. Denny Johnson won the vice presidency over Jim Patterson 2,240 to 2,659, and Laura Lampson edged Max Boveri 2,155 to 2,707.

A total of 5,967 participated in the two-day election—51.3 per cent of the 11,596 enrolled for Spring Quarter. Last year 53 per cent of the student body voted, although the total turnout was 5,873.

The results, announced in Room 220 of the College Union Friday night, produced contrasting reactions in the two camps.

In the ASI offices, large groups of Evans supporters glumly contemplated the results while out on the second floor of the building and on Inner Perimeter Road loud shrieks of joy broadcast the news to the campus.

Physically supported by Curt Lester, a shaky Baggett had trouble finding words, due to the closeness of the vote. "It (the final vote) shows people know Pete did a good job this year," he said. "It shows the school can unite. People believe in Pete and they believe in me."

Baggett said he sincerely hopes Evans and his supporters will work along with his administration next year. "If they will only come behind me . . . if they do, Cal Poly can stand ahead

of all other schools as an example of people working together. We can do so much at this school."

Last week, when 2,438 students voted, Baggett had a 42-vote edge on Evans. This time around, with the margin cut to 23 votes, ASI activities adviser Bob Walters had the ballots sent through the computer twice to verify the results.

While Baggett and Lester headed for a victory celebration, Johnson first conferred with the losing candidates. The results "were more or less what we expected," said Johnson. "I thought the election was won Wednesday night. We put everything together then." He said his supporters had mounted an intensive phone, dorm and housing complex campaign to reach the voters.

"I think for the school it would have been best for Pete to win. But Robin was the lesser of the two evils. I believe in him more."

Johnson expected "a lot of things to be said" before the results are officially approved by Student Affairs Council in two weeks. "I am not proud of some things we have done and a lot of things they've done," he said. "I just hope this doesn't alienate people."

A margin of 23 is not a significant difference, Johnson said. His thoughts were echoed in the faces of the students milling around in the College Union, many of whom seemed unable to comprehend that the presidential election had been decided by such a close margin.

The election of Baggett, Johnson and Lampson culminated three weeks of campaigning by them and the Evans-Patterson-Boveri team.

### LA RAZA REP

## 'Returning to the barrios'

by JOHN TEVES

Preservation of the Mexican-American's cultural heritage while rejuvenating the barrios from which he originated was the central theme Carlos Fernandes addressed himself to Thursday evening.

Representing the Southwestern Council of La Raza, Fernandes spoke in connection with the past week's Mexican-American Cultural Heritage program on campus.

The Southwestern Council of La Raza, according to Fernandes, is a non-profit, apolitical organization founded on a Ford Foundation grant. The council has over 30 outlets throughout the country concerned with housing, education, health and manpower problems in the barrios.

Fernandes explained the council's approach to these problems as programmatic. A governing board of 28

representatives from the western states supervises the efforts of ad hoc committees within troubled communities. The professional skills of the board and the ad hoc committees are directed towards channeling the concerns of local citizens into existing programs for community rehabilitation.

Fernandes, who graduated from UC Berkeley with a degree

in architecture, emphasized the importance of local community involvement in the governmental or private enterprise program the Council injected the citizen organization into.

"We must preserve the fabric of our heritage, because it is the only thing that has kept us together through the years. Textbook professionals who

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## Violence erupts at S.D. State

by ROGER VINCENT

Rock-throwing demonstrators crashed into the administration building at San Diego State last week, smashing windows, tossing smoke bombs and overturning furniture in the building's first-floor offices, according to the San Diego Union.

San Diego State College campus officials said it would take days to put a price tag on the 75 broken windows, soaked offices from turned-on fire hoses, broken ashtrays torn off the walls and smashed furniture the demonstrators left in their wake.

The violence erupted after an outdoor meeting of administrators and students scheduled to air complaints from minority students seeking restoration of cuts in the Educational Opportunity Program, open admissions and a

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## Fireworks and SAC

*Campaign charges throw special SAC meeting into flit of differences; meeting dissolves into factions. Meanwhile, bylaw changes are up in the air*

Allegations of election violations abruptly ended a special meeting of Student Affairs Council Thursday night to review ASI bylaws.

Evans charged the Baggett-Johnson campaign with overspending fund limits, but a walkout by the three School of Agriculture and Natural Resources representatives prevented any possibility of SAC action.

Even though a quorum no longer was present, discussion continued in the council chambers and in the nearby corridor between differing political factions.

Earlier in the meeting several changes were made in the code and bylaw package, which may be presented to the student body for ratification later in the quarter.

Of two key changes made, one removes Student Executive Cabinet's power to direct a presidential veto of SAC actions. The other allows the ASI president to fill permanently the position of ASI secretary if a vacancy occurs, subject to SAC approval.

Proponents of the veto motion claimed the present wording allows the executive branch of government to control the legislative branch. Opponents claimed it is "a good way for checks and balances." The motion passed 12-4.

The meeting, attended by slightly over half of the SAC members, turned into a discussion of election procedures and regulations when Evans objected to the Baggett-Johnson expenditures.

However, Greg Williams, Dan Graham and Richard Denier left the meeting, reportedly in protest to SAC allowing the item to be discussed and possibly acted upon. They claimed proper procedure would be to file a letter of complaint with Elections Committee, from which a recommendation would be forwarded to SAC.

Evans said he was willing to submit a complaint to Jim Smith, Elections Committee chairman, who was present at the meeting. Before he could do so the meeting broke up into the two groups.

In an attempt to complete the bylaw review before the week ended—the deadline—SAC chairwoman Marianne Doshi announced another special meeting would take place in CU 207 Sunday. SAC is hoping to be able to have the student body vote on the package this quarter.

Part of the proposal places definite guidelines for the operation of student government during the summer—an area of concern this year because of a few Summer Interim Committee (SIC) actions last summer.

**EDITORIAL**

**Implications of vote**

A mere 23 votes separated Robin Baggett from Pete Evans in last week's ASI presidential election. Less than four-tenths of a percent of those voting favored Baggett. He is now the president-elect.

It is not easy to analyse the election so soon afterward. Charges were made, issues were tossed to and fro and two major factions developed on campus. Even though a record number of students voted, the vote was too close to say Baggett was the prime choice.

The new president more than likely will face pressure as he has never before faced. He must substantiate the faith placed upon him by his backers, yet almost half the voters believed in Evans' work and Baggett cannot afford to let that go down the drain.

The one question asked most is whether Evans and his running mates will throw their support to Baggett and Denny Johnson. Can the two groups unite and find true happiness behind a man who rode the image of "Ag-Jock" to power?

More than likely not. Too much mud was slung during the election to be easily forgotten. Too much diversity seems to exist between the two concepts of getting business done.

A lot will depend upon Baggett's reaction during the final month of this academic year. Where last year's officers fell through, Evans will live up to his promises and show Baggett the ins and outs of the office.

But will Baggett's support crumble now he is safely in office, or will some of those who worked so hard on his campaign now direct their efforts toward government? Since several students who knew very little of

student government chose to spearhead Baggett's campaign, we now challenge them to vindicate their enthusiasm for getting him elected.

Breakthroughs are being made in dorm reform, students' legal and housing rights, community services, faculty evaluations, student input into college policy and many more important areas by Evans' administration. All point to the advancement of the college into the real world of changing times. We challenge Baggett to continue the progress he will inherit.

The college should move forward at all times, not backward. Baggett will have to work closely with Student Affairs Council and with all students, including the Students Rights Alliance (SRA), if he intends to come through ahead. He has indicated his willingness to do so; it is up to the people who put him in office, the students, to make sure of it.

**AEC: new Diablo talks**

The Atomic Energy Commission has ruled in favor of a new hearing on whether or not construction on the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant should be suspended until broader environmental research projects are completed.

The hearing is, unofficially, to be held in San Luis Obispo within the next month, the exact date and place not having been decided. Principle factors in the hearings are expected to be Pacific Gas and Electric Company, who is building the two reactors, and the Scenic Shoreline Preservation Conference (SSPC) in Santa Barbara, who opposes the construction.

Chief concern of the SSPC was expressed by spokesman for the group, Fred Eisler.

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**Poll asks for \$ views**

Everyone talks about budget priorities, but no one does anything about them — sometimes not even when they have the chance to.

The chance was provided by a budget survey committee started by ASI Pres. Pete Evans and Finance Committee member Ray Righetti. And a second chance is coming for those who missed the first one.

The group, composed of students from Finance Committee, Student Affairs Council and the schools at large, mailed out 1,000 invitations to students for a Wednesday poll party.

Perhaps the invitations should have been RSVP, for the day-long survey only netted 250 students, according to Righetti.

What the committee got were answers from two percent of the student body instead of the five percent that they wanted.

"I refused to present any report to SAC because I thought the poll, with only 250 people participating, was not truly representative," said Righetti.

"Hopefully, any person who received a card in the mail and didn't show up before will recognize the seriousness of the

poll and come on either Tuesday or Wednesday."

Chumash Auditorium has been reserved for the pollsters from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on those two days. Results of the survey will be announced at the SAC meeting Wednesday night.

"I don't know what I can say to make people realize how important this is. It's a real chance for students to have an influence on how their money — \$500,000 of it — is spent."

**'Accuracy aids defense'**

The Air Force apparently has found a better way to defend the U.S. from attack. It has improved the accuracy of its missiles by using the Advanced

Radar Calibration System (ARCS).

According to Ray Fuller, who spoke to the Math Club last Wednesday evening, the missiles are improved by working out a mathematical error function.

Fuller, who is supervisor of the Metric Systems Analysis Department at Federal Electric Corporation, Vandenberg Air Force Base, said that the missiles are tracked with radar. The information gathered from this radar tracking is fed into ARCS.

After developing an error function from this information, ARCS calibrates, or measures, the errors. The correction for the errors are returned to the missile systems and the paths are corrected accordingly.

Fuller said ARCS is being used at missile sites on the West Coast and will soon be used on islands in the Pacific Ocean.

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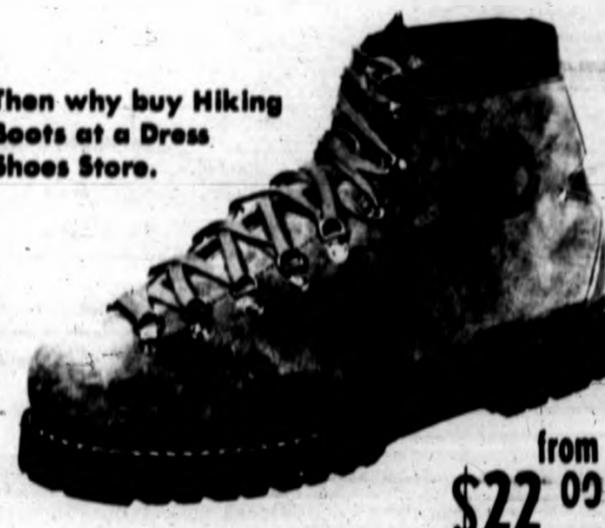
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# Chicanos celebrate pride in heritage

## Speaker greets emerging pride

by KAY READY

"Welcome to this festive occasion," spoke Javier Ruiz, guest speaker in Mecha's week-long celebration of Mexican independence from the French.

Chicano students have been in the background for a long time and, at last, they seem to be emerging on campuses all over the country. They are proud of their heritage and they want everyone to know about it, he said.

In honor of the celebration, Ruiz brought his own symbol of independence, the red, white, and green flag of Mexico. He spoke in the College Union plaza Thursday.

He spoke to a crowd that seemed to enlarge as his commanding voice urged attention to his messages for both the Mexican and other students in his audience.

He urged this audience to take a trip with him...a trip to the glorious days of Mexico that were sadly interrupted by foreigners. According to Ruiz, these conquistadors made the natives stop their old customs and ways of dressing, among many other things. The foreigners were invited to share the land of the Indians and they took it over.

Ruiz kept reminding his people that they were Indians in the true sense of the word, not Mexicans. Most of them are at least 80 per cent Indian, with a variety of nationalities making up the remaining 20 percent, he said.

"The Indians have been just like trees. Once, they were a strong nation of people with strong roots, but their roots were cut out from underneath them by the conquistadors.

## Demonstrators break windows

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stronger affirmative action program.

The discussions grew more and more heated until a group of about 30 marched to the administration building, overturned trash cans on its steps and set the refuse on fire.

They rampaged through its first floor, rushed back outside to break more windows, then ran across the campus to Astec Center where they set another trash fire and broke one window.

By the time 30 city policemen arrived at 1:30 p.m., the demonstrators—many of whom were not students, officials said—had fled from the campus.

According to Dr. Ned Joy, dean of undergraduate studies, the violence was "set in motion by a cadre of irresponsible demagogues who put their hopes for personal power above the safety of the students involved."

Joy said investigations have begun to identify the demonstrators and they will be arrested when identification is complete.

No injuries were reported among the 90 persons at work in the first floor admissions and records offices, but one person was treated at the campus infirmary at the campus health center for cuts and bruises he received while trying to keep the demonstrators out of the building.



Carlos Fernandez Photo by Henry Grass

## La Raza representative speaks on preserving Chicano culture

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would destroy that fabric are of no use to us," he said.

The speaker cited as an example of the council's efforts the work done with the Federal Housing Authority in recent years. Fernandez explained that when the council came into existence in 1938, no FHA loans had been granted within the area of East Los Angeles, a predominately Mexican American portion of Los Angeles in the past 40 years.

"Through trial and error we learned that good intentions were not enough. If we were to undue all the bad feelings built up against us within the FHA during the past 40 years, we were going

to have to do our homework," Fernandez said.

He pointed out that four years after their work with the FHA began, the first reconstruction project was approved. Fernandez also touched upon the ethic behind returning to the barrios.

"The motto of the council is Brotherhood of Man," explained Fernandez.

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