

Significant summer decisions are reviewed

by RICHARD McMILLEN

The Summer Interim Committee is accused on some sides of being a superfluous body whose function is to bide time until the Student Affairs Council picks up the reins of student government in the fall.

Whatever importance the average student attaches to student government, the committee voted on and discussed items this summer that will have a bearing upon the nature, and cost, of academic life at Cal Poly.

Probably the most important action of the committee was their nine to two decision to let the State Supreme Court rule whether Cal Poly will have a Gay Students Union. ASI Attorney

Richard Carsel, who offered at the July 23 SIC meeting to pay the court costs if SIC pays the filing fee, said the case may set a precedent in student body-administration relations.

The real issue is not homosexuality, Carsel said, but the amount of power the administration can exercise over student organizations. The administration, though, represented by Dean of Students Everett Chandler, said the reason for their veto of the GSU is homosexuality and the concomitant restrictive membership clause of the GSU charter.

The administration's 1972 veto of the GSU has been supported by two legal rulings, the first in the Superior Court in San Luis Obispo

and the second this June in the District Court of Appeals in Los Angeles.

At the same meeting the committee voted to retain Carsel as ASI Attorney. Carsel's annual contract, which expired June 1, had escaped the notice of newly elected ASI Pres. Scott Plotkin and Vice Pres. Mike Hurtado. The committee voted to retain Carsel retroactive to June 1 at \$100 per month. "Experience is his best qualification," Plotkin said of Carsel, who has served as legal counselor to the student body since 1971.

Another important happening during the SIC summer session was the \$8 reduction in the Materials and Services Fee that students pay at registration.

Contrary to outward appeal, this means that student services ranging from counseling and financial aids administration to housing and health services will be noticeably reduced this fall.

The reduction stems from Gov. Ronald Reagan's veto July 5 of \$2.3 million that the California State University and Colleges Association (CSUCSPA) appropriated from the states' general fund to compensate for a recent reduction in the Materials and Services Fee from \$144 per year to \$136.

ASI Pres. Plotkin felt in July that the CSUCSPA together with the California State University and Colleges Board of Trustees stood a chance of influencing the state legislature to reinstate the

original \$144 fee. To this end, Plotkin, backed by the committee, conferred with the student body presidents of San Jose, Hayward, Sacramento and Fresno State Universities.

The possibility of making senior projects optional was also discussed by the committee. ASI Vice Pres. Mike Hurtado said at the Aug. 7 meeting that "we are one of the few campuses" that still requires a senior project for graduation. The committee generally agreed that projects may benefit some students more than others, depending on the field of study.

Jan Edwards, chairman of the Publishers Board and Mike

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Grass laws may be reformed this month

A bill to reduce penalties for possession of small amounts of marijuana to a strict misdemeanor passed the State Assembly in March by a 47-23 margin. Assemblyman Alan Meroty's bill will be voted on by the State Senate this month and is expected to pass by a slim

margin and sent to Gov. Reagan for his signature.

California is one of three remaining states to treat first-offense possession of small amounts of marijuana as a felony. Under existing law, the offender has a permanent felony arrest record for the rest of his life, even where the case is disposed of as a misdemeanor. California also is one of three states which provides for life imprisonment for individuals convicted three times of simple marijuana possession.

Felony arrests for marijuana law violations in California increased from 73,060 in 1973 to 88,110 in 1973, according to the State Bureau of Criminal Statistics. The majority of these felony arrests were adults over the age of 18. Marijuana arrests comprised 23 per cent of all felony arrests in California last year.

Although California has only 10 per cent of the national population, it has more than 30 percent of all marijuana arrests. Since marijuana possession is currently a felony in California, these arrests are clogging up the courts and jails, and diverting the limited law enforcement resources from dealing with more serious crimes.

In a year-long study on Marijuana control released last month, the State Senate Select Committee said, "The classification of marijuana as a criminal offense has cost the taxpayers of California about \$677 million to arrest, prosecute and punish 400,000 people." The study, covering 1960-1972, estimates that marijuana law enforcement costs \$100 million annually in California.

The new bill is more conservative than the misdemeanor bill passed by the legislature in 1972 and vetoed by the governor. Hashish has been eliminated from its provisions and strict ounce limitations have been added. Possession of up to four ounces of marijuana in public would be a strict misdemeanor, with felony provisions remaining in effect for larger amounts.

Bay area group to perform Sat. on Poly campus

Sons of the Champlin will present their own style of progressive rock music in a concert at Cal Poly, on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The 8 p.m. concert is sponsored by the Concert Committee of the university's Associated Students, Inc., in Chumash Auditorium at the Julian A. McPhee University Union. The public is welcome. General admission tickets are \$3 in advance or \$3.50 at the door for students and \$3 in advance or \$3.50 at the door for all others.

Steve See, chairman of the Concert Committee, said seating for the concert will be festival style.

The Sons of the Champlin, a San Francisco bay area group, combine brass and percussion instruments. The works, which are written and produced by the group, have a basic rock beat but are set in a progressive style.

Students eligible to register first listed in library

A preliminary list of students eligible for preferential registration is posted in the foyer of the library. This list includes students who completed 135 units at the end of Spring Quarter and are currently or have previously enrolled in introductory senior project courses.

This preliminary list will be updated after Summer Quarter grades are posted. Any student who completed 135 units at the end of Summer Quarter (and who satisfies the senior project requirements) will be eligible for preferential registration Fall Quarter. This second list will be posted outside the Men's Gym at 8 a.m., Sept. 19, 1974.

Students should report any omission to the Registrar's Office, Adm. 219, before August 30.

SIC to present code revised for approval

by RICHARD McMILLEN

In an effort to clear up ambiguities in the Summer Interim Committees Codes and Bylaws, a special committee of SIC members is working to prepare a revision of the code to present to the Student Affairs Council this fall for approval.

The committee, headed by SIC Chairman Mike Hurtado and ASI Pres. Scott Plotkin, reported its progress to the SIC meeting on Wednesday night, Aug. 14. Plotkin said the committee has discussed the following ambiguities in the code:

—who is responsible for organizing the Summer Interim Committee; the old or new members of the Student Affairs Council? The SIC is a temporary summer body whose members are appointed by the student chairman of the university's seven schools. SAC members are elected representatives of the schools that comprise student government during the school year.

—which chairmen are responsible for appointing SIC members, the outgoing chairmen or the new ones elected in May? Plotkin said the special committee discussed setting a date at the end of May by which the old chairmen must appoint a summer representative to the SIC. The two week break between the spring and summer quarters would be a "grace period" for these outgoing chairmen tardy in making their appointments, Plotkin said.

If the representative still isn't appointed when the summer term commences, the responsibility will fall to the SIC chairman to make the appointment.

—who gives final approval to appointed SIC members; SAC, if the appointments are made before the end of the Spring Quarter, or the Summer Interim Committee?

—what is the status of SAC representatives? If a SAC member, who is elected in the

student body elections in May, should he or she be allowed to take the chair of the appointed SIC member?

ASI Vice Pres. Mike Hurtado, also chairman of SIC, said the special committee working on the revision will present a clarified version of the SIC code to SAC this fall for approval. Members of the committee include Jan Edwards, chairman of the Publisher's Board, Art Aleman of the Ethnic Board, Bob Walters of the Activities Planning Center and Sandra Price, former SAC representative from Human Development and Education.

Check timetable for VA benefits

Veterans recently separated from military service should check the timetable on certain veteran benefits. That advice was given by John G. Miller, Director of the Los Angeles Veterans Administration Regional Office.

Although military separations have slowed from a peak of 95,000 monthly to a current rate of 50,000, the timetable remains important to the individual veterans, says Miller.

If a veteran wants his job back, for example, he must apply to his former employer within 90 days of his separation date.

Other benefits which expire with time are conversion of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance to Veterans Group Life Insurance, Service-Disabled Veterans Insurance, dental care, unemployment compensation and VA educational assistance benefits.

According to Miller, VA benefits which do not expire are disability compensation, assistance in finding a job, or entering a training program, hospital care and G.I. home loans.

Veterans should contact their local VA office or local veterans service organization for complete information, Miller added.

Editor's comment

A summer for changes

The close of the Summer Quarter often brings a sigh of relief from students and staff alike. The staff of Summer Mustang is also breathing a sigh of relief, for this issue ends their work on the paper. Some of the staff will continue next quarter, but all of us are looking forward to a short vacation from deadlines.

Summer Quarter is typically a rather quiet time, but this quarter saw several "firsts." The Summer Interim Committee voted to send the issue of forming a Gay Students Union on campus to the California Supreme Court. This decision came after a long battle in and out of the lower courts, and is significant in that

the outcome of this issue will define how much authority the student sector of the university has in making decisions that effect the student.

The high point of the quarter or low point depending on personal view, came with the resignation of Richard Nixon. The student community, as well as the entire nation, reacted with little surprise to this historical first. Months of Watergate and government corruption wore down the mind, until even the resignation of a president could produce no startling shock.

Students gained a little and lost a little at the same time in the matter of the Materials and Services Fee. With inflation eating away at student budgets, the reduction of the fee from \$144 per academic year to \$136 seems like a blessing. Students may regret the small savings, however, when they experience reductions in stu-

dent services, notably in financial aids and health services.

Cal Poly has a new vice president, Dr. Hazel Jones; the first woman vice president in 40 years. In addition to the university gaining a competent administrator, those with feminist inclinations cannot help but be pleased.

Housing has been a problem for students in this area for many years. This situation did not get better, in fact, some feel it has gotten worse. The dormitories are full for the upcoming quarter, and have been that way since mid-way through this Summer Quarter.

Students will have three short weeks to review the Summer Quarter before the university goes into full swing again for nine months. It will be interesting to see what changes come about during Fall Quarter.

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Last newspaper released by the Mustang crew

This issue concludes Summer Mustang's publication during Summer Quarter. A special registration issue of Mustang Daily, prepared by the staff of Summer Mustang, will appear Sept. 19. Publication of Mustang Daily will resume during the first week of classes Fall Quarter.

Theatre discloses plans

Plans for the 1974-75 theatre season have been released by the newly elected officers of the San Luis Obispo Little Theatre.

New officers include Bob Bolman, president; Leif Jorgenson, production vice-presi-

dent; Joyce Black, administrative vice-president; Margaret Renning, secretary; Martha Plants, treasurer; and Betty Moise, Elaine Fornier and Dale Kirk, members-at-large.

The Little Theatre's initial production will be Moss Hart's comedy, "Light up the Sky,"

directed by Maurine Blanck. The cast consists of eight male and five female performers. Tryouts are scheduled for August 26 and 27 but anyone interested in stage work and set construction are urged to attend. Tryouts will be in the Little Theatre, 1530 Monterey Street.

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Murdy of Communicative Arts and Humanities suggested that students and faculty be polled for their opinions on the problem. Hurtado said he would send a letter to instructors requesting their points of view.

The ASI Discount Card Program was launched into its third year by the committee. Plotkin and Hurtado hope that card sales will help pad the lean 1974-75 ASI budget. Students can purchase the cards during fall quarter for \$1 apiece. Greg

Fowler, coordinator of the card program, said that last year approximately 70 local merchants offered their goods and services at a discount to students.

The committee also discussed the possibility of coordinating the university's loosely-knit tutoring services into a convenient and centralized program. Only several campus organizations, the Economic Opportunity Program and Student Community Services, have a funded tutoring program. Hurtado reported at the Aug. 7 meeting.



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Surtax relief urged for small business

Students and other persons that have small business establishments may soon find relief from inflation and high income tax rates.

Congressman Burt Talcott recently introduced to the legislature a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. If passed the small business tax relief bill would provide equitable tax relief for small businesses.

According to Talcott, the bill would exempt small businesses from incurring any Federal surtax on the first \$50,000 in taxable income for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1974. This bill would scale the surtax exemption to \$100,000 during a five year period.

Talcott said, "This simple, efficient and equitable tax relief would allow many of our nation's small businesses to overcome the inhibiting effect of high income tax rates, meet their costs, retain earnings, finance growth, ease the climate of borrowing and foster the establishment and healthy expansion of small concerns."

According to Congressman Talcott, the most effective method of turning down inflation is to guarantee increased output.

Over 80 percent of the 1.6 million active corporations in the country are small businesses. Talcott feels that Congress must do all it can to encourage small businesses survival, growth and expanded product output against rising cost. Talcott believes his bill recognizes the need to increase production incentives.

Talcott said, "America's small businessmen, most ravaged by inflation, deserve a break."

Friday feature film is the last for the summer

For an inexpensive evening of entertainment, why not take in "Kelly's Heroes," this Friday night's feature film. The final installment of the serial "The Phantom Creeps" with Bela Lugosi will also be shown.

"Kelly's Heroes," starring Clint Eastwood, is the story of two American Army officers who team up with a non-combat unit. The group's mission is to rob a shipment of gold bullion which is located 30 miles behind German lines. Enroute they kill off a fantastic number of Germans with little or no injury to themselves. They finally pull off the successful heist with the aid of a real German Tiger Tank.

The movie, presented by the Associated Students Inc. Films Committee, will be shown at 8 p.m. in the University Union. Admission price for this film is 75 cents.

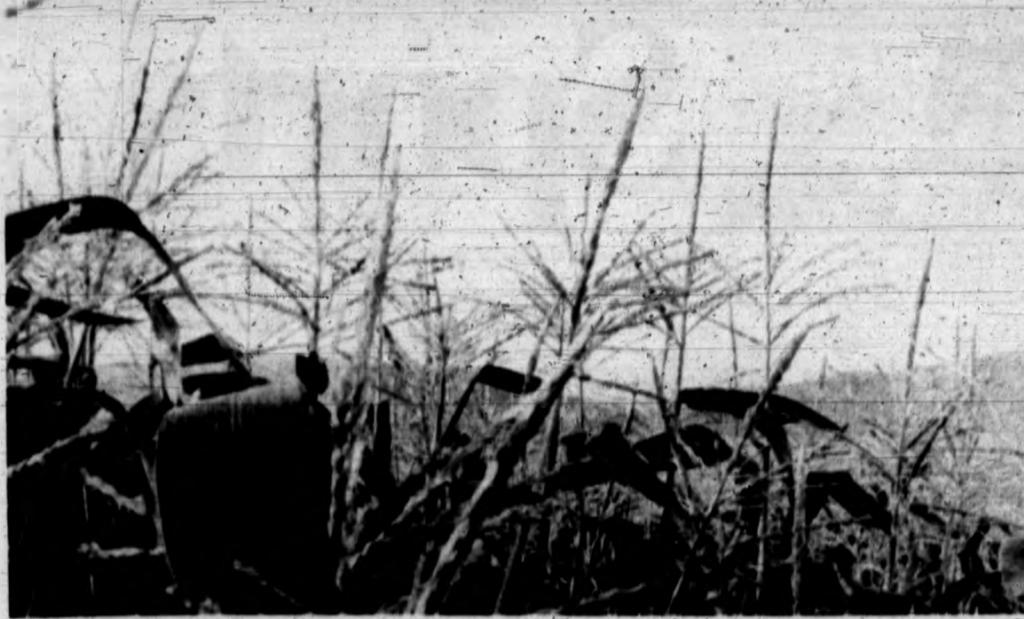


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This field of sweet corn on campus is part of raising program. Other crops grown are the 20 acres used by students for the crop garlic, melons and squash.

Students raise corn crop

Besides keeping up with classes and studies, some Cal Poly students keep busy by raising crops on campus. The Cal Poly Foundation handles the crop raising program.

The crop harvest this season includes garlic, melons, squash, beans and sweet corn. The total area used for the crops was about 20 acres, with sweet corn having the greatest acreage of the crops harvested.

Four students make up the work unit of each project. The students split the profits of each project with the foundation. One-third of the profits goes to the foundation, and the remaining

two-thirds is divided between the four students. If the students suffer a loss on the project the foundation foots the bill.

According to Laun Ginn, a member of the sweet corn project, the members of this project could earn up to \$1,000 apiece. Ginn said that the corn is sold wholesale to markets in San Luis Obispo at 90 cents per dozen, and to Cal Poly's Food Processing at \$1.10 per dozen.

Ginn said the change in the use of sevin to cardon (both insecticides) to control the corn ear worm, could lead to greater profits as compared to the sweet corn project of last year.

Planting of the sweet corn began April 18, although land preparation began in March. Preparation of the land includes disking the soil, land planting, listing, fertilizing, and the application of a micro nutrient zinc.

Planting of the sweet corn consisted of ten different plantings over a period of ten weeks. After a months' growth the sweet corn is side dressed (a method of fertilizing) with ammonia sulfate which is 26 per cent nitrogen.

Labor connected with the harvest of the sweet corn is done by hand. This includes the picking, cleaning and packing of the sweet corn.

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Children enjoyed watching (left to right) Dave Beaumont, Tim Lagomarsino and Grumplish Holiday," performed this summer Donna Shaw in the production of "Have a by Poly students.

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Drama students entertain

Cal Poly drama students brought joy and laughter to hundreds of children in San Luis Obispo County this summer. Twenty students enrolled in Drama 331 and 337 toured the county, performing in four children's plays.

The repertoire included "A Bell for King Carl," "The Magic Pouch," "Have a Grumplish Holiday," and the German version of "Little Red Riding Hood." In "Little Red Riding Hood," children in the audience were able to participate in the performance. The plays were geared for children from kindergarten through the sixth grade.

The group of students did an average of six performances a week at schools, parks, playgrounds, libraries, recreation centers, private centers, and at special functions during July and August. They toured from Templeton to Morro Bay and to Santa Maria. Since there was no scenery involved in the productions, the audience had to imagine the surroundings. The children encircled the performers in an open area, so the use of the traditional stage wasn't needed.

"A Bell for King Carl," was directed by Suzanne Gabig. The cast included Ran Mapstead as King Carl the Correct, Lee Price

as Gypsy Alice, Steve Dowd as Andy the Jester and Pam Phillips as Bebetta the Bellgirl.

In the production "The Magic Pouch," Pat Chew was the director. Bob Edsart played Zingu the Magician, Mary Stark portrayed the magician's apprentice, and Vicki Needle took the role of the daughter, Glorinda. The Witch of Itch was played by Barbara Ratcliff.

Robin Lake, drama instructor at Cal Poly, said the students enrolled in Drama 331 and 337 were teachers and prospective teachers. "The people taking the class hope to use the experiences they have gained in their own classroom teaching procedures," he said.

Students received two units of credit for the Drama 331 class. Even though this class is offered every quarter, students will not be touring the plays again until the Spring Quarter of 1975.

Sports

Mustang football trio from junior colleges

Among the candidates for the football team this fall will be nine junior college transfers. The Mustang team assembles August 25 to begin preparations for what will prove to be a rigorous 10-game schedule.

Heading the list of transfers are a trio of players who may figure prominently in the team's plans this fall. They are defensive end Tim Hamilton, a 6-4, 230-pound junior who is a transfer from the University of New Mexico and College of the Desert; center Glenn Hoving, a 6-3, 209-pound sophomore who did not play football last fall while attending San Bernardino Valley College; and offensive guard Kevin Kennedy, a 6-1½, 230-pound sophomore from Whittier who was a member of the New Mexico squad last fall and then transferred to Rio Hondo Junior College.

Hamilton's size and quickness are assets that figure to thrust him into the thick of competition for a defensive end berth. He was a two-year letterman at Palm Springs High School, where he earned all-league and all-county honors. He lettered last fall at New Mexico.

Hoving was an outstanding athlete at Redlands High School, where he lettered in football and track. An all-Citrus Belt League center in 1972, he has put on 25 pounds since he last played football. He is expected to compete with Greg De Alba for the starting center's position.

Kennedy played freshman football at New Mexico last fall after a distinguished career as a three-year letterman at St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Springs. This school has given the Mustangs such recent standouts as linebacker Greg Lee, defen-

sive tackle Dave Quirk, defensive end George Freudenberg, defensive tackle John Miklas and fullback Tom Klemens. All are former Mustang starters.

Frosh gridders expected to fill varsity positions

Coach Joe Harper begins his seventh season as Cal Poly's head football coach later this month with a group of 27 freshmen on hand. Of these, 10 are expected to make strong bids for varsity positions.

"Our 1974 contingent of freshmen is a high quality group of young men. There is excellent athletic ability in the group and on the whole it is physically bigger than we have had in the past," said Harper.

Harper's enthusiasm about this group, "perhaps the best we have had" he says, is significant because his Mustangs have had three straight seasons that produced outstanding groups of freshmen. Since the NCAA passed a ruling allowing freshmen to compete at the varsity level in football in 1971, Cal Poly has had freshmen letter in 1971, eight in 1972 and 10 in 1973.

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