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Bonehead English

Soon a reality?

by FRED VULIN

Bonehead English may be taught here next year—but how and exactly when are two questions that still remain unanswered.

This is the conclusion of Jim Conran, president of Cal State University, Northridge. As the only student member of the Task Force on Student Writing Skills, Conran is taking part—along with members of the Statewide Academic Senate—in a fact-finding mission for the California State Universities and Colleges.

The fact-finding team hopes to discover the roots of the alleged problem that CSUC is not turning out students who can express themselves with the written word once they graduate.

According to Conran, "We're trying to come up with some areas of change. We're turning out graduates who cannot write simple sentences when they reach the business world."

The Northridge president hopes to find where the problem lies—and how to solve it. One alternative CSUC might take is a similar route taken by the University of California—a Bonehead English exam.

Students upon entering their first year at a UC campus are required to take an English skills exam. If the students fail, they are required to take Subject A—or what is commonly known as Bonehead English.

In recent months, UC and CSUC have come under fire for graduating students who do not possess basic writing skills. Conran says the task force will talk to people in the UC program in hopes of finding the reasons behind the lack of skills.

He adds meetings will continue through the summer and he doesn't foresee any actual programs started before Spring, 1976.

While colleges and universities may be suspect in their English skills programs, Conran points the finger at the primary levels of education as well. "If a sound groundwork isn't laid on the primary level," says Conran, "it's a little hard for the colleges to try to undo 15 years of reinforcement."

The next meeting of the task force is scheduled for mid-June.



Chappell ally denies all assault charges

by LINDA GENTRY

A member of Rob Chappell's campaign committee, Wednesday, denied Salvador Munoz's accusations that he "physically and verbally assaulted" Munoz during the May 8 ASI presidential election.

Mike Ginelli, a business administration major, said "I would like to say that that's a damned lie...I don't even know Salvador Munoz. I've never met him. I don't even know what he looks

like. Apparently he just got my name somewhere and decided to throw it in for emphasis."

Ginelli said he went to work at the San Luis Bay Club at 7 a.m. and did not finish until 4 p.m. on the day of the incident cited in the Munoz letter to the editor.

"I have no idea why he placed me in the Union Plaza unless it was a smear of Rob Chappell," he said.

Ginelli said he could produce witnesses to prove that he was not in the University Union Plaza at the time of the incident. He added that he could also produce witnesses to prove that he was at the San Luis Bay Club during the time of the election.

Ginelli also denied being Rob Chappell's campaign manager. "I am a member of his campaign committee," he said.

Informed of Ginelli's denial of the accusations, Munoz admitted that he had been confronted by Larry Taylor, Chappell's campaign manager, alone.

Munoz also admitted that his confrontation with Taylor was verbal rather than physical as stated in his letter.

Munoz said he did not know who Ginelli was until one of the Chappell campaign workers pointed him out.

Originally, Munoz had said, "I was physically and verbally assaulted by Larry Taylor and Mike Ginelli, Rob Chappell's campaign managers during the last election."

Taylor also denied Munoz's accusations.

He said, "I had heard the rumor that I beat him up and I told him — 'for someone who just got beat up, you sure look good'."

Questioned about the incident, ASI Elections Committee Advisor Bob Walters said, "No formal written complaint has been filed on the incident. It is therefore not duly reported."

Boop look-alike contest at concert

Did anyone ever tell you that you looked like a movie star? Maybe they meant Betty Boop.

The second annual Betty Boop look-alike contest will take place during the University Jazz Band's 11 a.m. concert in the University Union plaza on May 29.

The contest is sponsored by the University Jazz Band, the Cal Poly Studio Band, the Ragtime Ensemble and the recently formed C P's Struttin' Dixie Six.

To qualify for the contest, contestants need only look and sound like Betty Boop—an attractive wiggle is desired, said Graydon Williams, director of the University Jazz Band.

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Legal Aid looking for volunteers

by PETE KING

It is legal beagle hunting season at this campus.

The ASI Legal Aid Office is suffering from an acute shortage of volunteers, according to Carol Knappe, a Legal Aid worker.

She said the service can barely stay open in the morning hours and is almost always closed in the afternoons because there simply aren't enough people to man the office.

Legal Aid people would like the office to stay open until 10 p.m. every weekday.

According to Knappe, no experience is needed to help in Legal Aid. She said there are biological science, political science and business majors who work at the office now.

The Legal Aid Office staff—which currently consists of just six members—is willing to train anyone interested.

And Knappe said that being a legal aid worker isn't all give and no get.

She said it is an excellent experience for anyone who is in the least way interested in a legal career.

Special Problems, a course offered through both the political science and business curriculum, requires students meet once a week for lectures explaining legal research work, and put in three hours a week at the Legal Aid Office.

Knappe said anyone interested in working at Legal Aid should call the office mornings at 546-4754, or her at home 544-7436.



Pete King and Fred Vulin

New editors selected

by BOB COX

Publisher's Board took a giant step forwards, or maybe backwards, Wednesday when it elected Pete King and Fred Vulin as Mustang Daily co-editors for 1975-76.

The two 19-year olds, currently sophomores, are the twin terrors of Mustang Daily. A Mutt and Jeff combination, they are more laughs than a wild cow milking contest.

But besides being a couple of definite crazies, they are probably two of the most talented students ever to come through the journalism department here at Cal Poly.

Vulin already has completed his internship, working for the Lompoc Record last summer, and

King will do his this year, with the Fresno Bee. Fresno is King's hometown, while Vulin hails from San Pedro.

Their editorial policy will be to upgrade the entire paper as far as looks and content.

"We're more concerned with getting a better newspaper and dealing less in politics," said Vulin.

"We hope to go full size, and get rid of the tabloid as well as try to get rid of the 'Mistake Daily' image," said King.

They also said the editors office will no longer exist; it will be turned into a coffee room. The editors say they will be out in the office with reporters and desk people.

Letters

Not guilty

Editor:

I want to publicly deny Salvador Munoz's charges (May 21) that I physically assaulted him during the course of the ASI campaign.

Here's what happened:

—On May 8, I was standing in the University Union Plaza, talking with a friend. I noticed that Rob Chappell's black sign at the street entrance to the plaza was visibly moving, as I saw it over the wall.

It was being dragged up to Grand Avenue, past the union, and by the time I approached the individual who was dragging it, I noticed that it was Salvador Munoz, a SAC representative, and a staunch Hurtado supporter. He turned around and asked me if I was a Chappell supporter, and I then asked him what he thought he was doing illegally moving a sign over 300 yards?

Munoz claimed he had Bob Walter's (Election Committee Advisor) O.K. to move the 4' x 5' sign, because it was allegedly inside of the 100-foot radius of the plaza polling place. Doubting his statement, I then contacted Walters who had verified by measurement that it was a LEGAL sign and not impeding traffic on the walkway.

I then asked Munoz to replace the sign back to its original, legal location. He said he would not

and proceeded away to the voting booth. Gregg Menges and I then moved the sign back.

In the presence of two witnesses, I approached Munoz at the union polling place and verbally rebuked him. I told him, never laying a finger on him, that if the sign was again moved, I would hold him personally responsible.

To repeat, I never physically assaulted him, only verbally rebuked his illegal actions. Salvador Munoz has resorted to libel to gain sympathy votes for his candidate—Hurtado.

I reported the above incident to Bob Walter immediately. Munoz was caught in the act of illegally removing a candidate's sign and carting it off over 300 yards from its authorized location. If that's not a dirty Watergate tactic, and then publicly lying about it to cover his guilt, I don't know what is.

Larry Taylor



X-RAY OF OLD TENURED TEACHERS.

St. Johns

Editor:

My congratulations to the special programming board. From out of the past comes Adela Rogers St. Johns.

Last year about this time there was a hot and heavy controversy about Ronald Reagan speaking at commencement exercises. While our governor was bitterly attacked, I feel it stimulated healthy criticism among the graduating seniors who were looking towards the future and evaluating the system.

I am graduating this June, and in the Cal Poly's true conservative tradition it has chosen a speaker who I can feel neither good or bad about. While I am looking towards the future and evaluating the present system, I am given a person who wrote stories in the 1920's and campaigned for Richard Nixon in 1960's.

Please do not get me wrong, this is not a personal attack on Ms. St. Johns. Before I start pointing my finger at someone I would say it was my fault in not getting involved with the selection of a commencement speaker. Any comment I make is after the

fact; the choice has been made. For whatever it's worth, I do feel there could have been a better selection made.

Don Barrientes

Violation

Editor:

We, as users of the Foundation Food Service, wish to make known our views on the proposed boycott of table grapes and

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Violation

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iceberg lettuce advocated by supporters of the United Farm Workers.

We feel that any such action would be a violation of our rights as patrons and with legislation supported by both sides of the

dispute now before the legislature; that it would be an exercise in futility.

Those who support such a boycott are free to discontinue the use of grapes and lettuce if they so wish. There is no logical or ethical reason why the rest of us must join them.

Respectfully,
Kevin McCabe
Brad Myers

Boycott

Editor:

The Cal Poly chapter of United Professors of California endorses the resolution of support for the United Farm Workers adopted by our state council. On the local level, we urge our members to support the Farm Workers' cause

by refraining from buying table grapes, Gallo wines and non-union iceberg lettuce. Furthermore, we will provide whatever assistance that is feasible to local campus groups in support of UFW.

Jim Fitts
President, UPC
For the Executive Committee

Lamaze method of childbearing

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Two Mustang sophomores on All-CCAA roster

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league teams were chosen by CCAA head coaches.

Center fielder Ongarato set a new Cal Poly school record with 32 steals in 34 attempts and he had a .285 batting average to rank

third on the Mustang team which finished with a 30-18-1 overall record and 8-10 in conference play.

Shortstop Smith, a two-year regular, was named to the first all-CCAA team at the position along with Shawn Noonan of Cal State Northridge. Smith finished with a .290 batting average but he led the Mustangs in runs scored with 30 and he was fourth on the team in hits with 44. Noonan, a junior, hit .274. There was no second team shortstop selected.

Mustangs named to the second team all-league were: Junior left fielder Dave Fowler who led Poly in hitting with a .310 average, in runs batted in with 55, and in hits with 55, shared the home run leadership with six; junior first baseman Ted Bailey who hit .287 and belted six home runs to tie for the team lead; senior outfielder Terry Ruggles who had a .280 average and freshman pitcher Dave Pencille, author of a 6-0 record with a staff-leading 1.63 earned run average.

Northridge's first baseman, junior Jason Thompson, who hit .388, was named the CCAA's "most valuable player" while Matador coach Bob Hiebert was selected "coach of the year."



All-CCAA centerfielder Mike Ongarato



All-CCAA shortstop Osburn Smith

Pro archery

Gary Lyman of Baywood Park, first ranking professional archer both in target and field archery, will give two demonstrations at Cal Poly on Wednesday.

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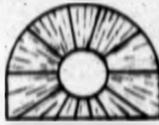
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