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Mike Hurtado, ASI President, answers a question.

Hurtado: what is his status?

The citizenship of Associated Students Inc. President Mike Hurtado is under investigation by University and county officials.

Hurtado, who was elected ASI President after two run-off elections in May, may not be an American citizen.

Born in Mexico, Hurtado is the son of a Mexican citizen and an American citizen. As yet his citizenship status has not been verified.

The news first appeared last Thursday in a Santa Maria Times article. Since then stories have appeared in the Times and the San Luis Obispo Telegram-Tribune.

According to the Times, Hurtado declined to show proof of American citizenship, saying that he had nothing to guarantee citizenship, but that he would obtain documents from his parents. The Times also said that Hurtado failed to keep an appointment to discuss the documents.

Hurtado says that when he went to talk to a reporter at the Times the story had already been printed.

Hurtado is a senior journalism student. In his three years here, he has been active in student and community affairs. He is the first minority student to be elected as ASI President here.

He attends school on a number of scholarships and grants, most notably through an Educational Opportunity Program scholarship.

Hurtado's records here show that he was born in Zamora, Mexico, as do documents in possession of

the Times and church records in Zamora. But his voter registration in San Luis Obispo lists his birthplace at California.

Penalties for providing false information to county, state or federal officials or for school records may go as high as 14 years' imprisonment. Registering to vote as a native-born American when he was born in Mexico is a felony crime involving state and local investigation.

According to the Times, voting after registering fraudulently is a federal offense and the U.S. attorney general's office is expected to investigate also.

To further complicate matters, monies awarded Hurtado through financial aid may be "repossessed," and retroactive foreign student registration fees may be charged by the university.

Hurtado also attended Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria. College administrators are now considering whether to bill him for foreign student tuition fees incurred while he was student there, the Times said.

The matter is being handled by the state university system chancellor's legal staff and the district attorney's office here, said Dean of Students Everett Chandler.

Chandler said that Hurtado may be "technically an illegal alien," but that he most likely had not attempted to defraud either the state or the university.

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Mozart Festival

The Fifth Annual Mozart Festival opens an 11 concert schedule July 29 with a recital in the Cal Poly Theatre.

The kickoff concert begins at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday. Violin soloist David Abel and Paul Hersch, viola and piano soloist, will perform Mozart's Duo in B-flat for Violin and Viola, K. 424; Joseph Haydn's Sonata for Violin and Piano; and Ludwig van Beethoven's Sonata in A Major for Violin and Piano, Op. 47 (Kreuzer).

The festival continues with two concerts on July 30. The Cambria Veteran's Memorial Building is the site of the Arriga String Quartet performance at 8:15 p.m. An orchestra concert of Mozart music will occur at the same time in the Cal Poly Theatre.

The Ear-Opener Concert happens July 31 at 3 p.m. in the Cal Poly Theatre. The concert presents varied music by Mozart and is designed for the inexperienced listener. Admission to the Ear-Opener Concert is \$1.00.

At 8:15 p.m. in the Cal Poly Theatre the same day, the Arriga String Quartet will perform music by Mozart, Berg and Schumann.

Aug. 1 is the date for two simultaneous concerts at 8:15 p.m.: Victor Steinhardt will give a piano recital in the Cal Poly Theatre and the Mission Concert will be presented at the Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa.

Delcina Stevensen will sing music by Schumann, Rachmaninoff and others, accom-

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Chavez goes through

Editor's note: Bob Cox, a Poly journalism student, is serving his internship with the Lompoc Record this summer. The following story is reprinted from the Record.

About a third of the way through his 1,000 mile hike, farm labor leader Cesar Chavez stopped off in Lompoc Friday night to take his case to the local labor force.

The charismatic leader of the United Farmworkers Union, in the midst of a walk from the Mexican border to Salinas, Sacramento and Delano, spoke to a crowd of about 90 people at the International Chemical Workers Union Hall.

He explained to the group, which was about evenly divided between local people and supporters who came in on a chartered bus, the ramifications of the farm labor bill and presented the case for his union.

The bill, which was recently signed into law by Gov. Brown, will allow farmworkers for the first time to have elections to decide which, if any, union they want to represent them in negotiations. The UFWU and Teamsters Union have been in competition for several years now.

Noting the fact this was one of the few times the small Lompoc labor force had received any attention from the unions and the workers might have some trepidation about getting involved, Chavez said:

"There is fear in Lompoc because they haven't been active before. There is no fear in Delano,



Cesar Chavez, United Farmworkers leader, (UPI photo)

in Salinas, or Sacramento or Fresno. They've been to jail before—they were part of the movement."

Chavez spoke mostly in Spanish to the audience which was largely of Mexican ancestry. His aide, Mark Grossman, explained he was telling the people the provisions of the new law.

Grossman answered a reporter's questions for Chavez, who left immediately "very tired from walking over 20 miles today."

Grossman said the new law is

"a good law. We fought for it. It allows workers to choose which union they want, if any, to represent them. We're convinced that given the choice, the workers will choose our union."

"The purpose of the march is to take the message of the law to the workers, explain their rights under the law and encourage them to use the law to their advantage," Grossman said.

"The one great advantage of the law is workers anywhere in

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New band for Aug. 2 concert

The Sons of Champlin—and not Bob Weir's group Kingfish—will perform here on Aug. 2, according to Concert Committee Chairman Ken Gordon.

Tuesday morning Gordon received a phone call from Kingfish's personal booking agent and was informed the rock group would be in a recording studio on that date and would be unable to play at the scheduled time.

Concert Committee, long chided for its failure to bring top groups here, appeared headed for another big-promise-no-show exploit.

But Gordon wasn't about to be caught holding the bag. Within two hours Tuesday he arranged for the Sons of Champlin to fill in for the much-heralded country rock group.

According to Gordon, Kingfish will reimburse the ASI for the \$950 already spent for the promotion of the concert. The chairman said those people who already have bought tickets can bring them in and exchange them for Champlin ones or get a refund.

Tickets for the Champlin-Frisco Kids concert go on sale this morning.

Concert

The Cache Valley Drifters, a Santa Barbara band will play at 11 a.m. today, July 24 in the University Union Plaza.

Known for their blue grass music they are sponsored by the ASI Concert Committee and ASI officers.

Editorial

Who's an illegal alien?

Mike Hurtado—whom we elected ASI President only a few short weeks ago—is now being questioned regarding his United States citizenship.

It seems that he may not be an American citizen after all, although he says he has always believed himself to be an American citizen.

The story came out last week in the Santa Maria Times and has

since appeared in the Telegram-Tribune and reportedly in the Los Angeles Times as well.

The Santa Maria paper makes Mike sound like a convicted and hardened criminal—someone who knowingly crossed the border, came up here as an illegal alien after attending school in Southern California and is now ripping off state, local and federal agencies of precious funds from

financial aid.

Why is the question of his citizenship being brought up?

Apparently the news was discovered as part of an overall investigation by the Santa Maria Times on illegal aliens in the area.

University officials say Mike's presidency won't be affected by the investigation. Apparently the matter won't be cleared up instantly.

In the meantime, Mike has to live with all the uncertainty of not really knowing who he is.

The Times said that only Mike knew for sure if he was an American citizen. But Mike doesn't know—he has always thought he was a citizen, although the question has come up before at Allan Hancock College in Santa Maria.

Apparently Mike could have gained at least permanent residency very easily. Why he hasn't is a question in many minds.

But let's not judge Mike too quickly on this issue. There are many sides to the story which we may not yet know.

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Citizenship questioned

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Chandler said Hurtado has done several things which would establish his intent to become a permanent resident. His draft card, his mother's birth certificate, even attending and being graduated from a California high school would all tend to establish intent to become a permanent resident, Chandler said.

Hurtado said he has always believed he was an American citizen. He said the matter had been looked into before when Hancock administrators challenged his for proof of citizenship in 1972.

At that time, he said, the California Rural Legal Assistance office in Santa Maria contacted the immigration office to establish his status. He said that some correspondence took place but that eventually the matter was let slide.

The Times articles stated that Hurtado dropped out of Hancock after questioning by them and later reappeared here.

Hurtado claims he undertook steps with the CRLA at that time. He explains his disappearance from Hancock as the result of a job offer. The job, with the Human Resources Development Department, took him through November 1972. He then applied to Poly and entered in January 1973.

Hurtado said he was brought to the States in 1952 by his parents, the Times said, but that he has given other years. He said he doesn't remember what year he was brought to California, since he was a young child.

"I was anywhere from three to five years old when I came to California," Hurtado said.

Chandler said that Hurtado is not in immediate danger of deportation or imprisonment as was indicated in previous newspaper reports.

Chandler said Hurtado has been asked to provide proof of residency or citizenship, but that he has been given time to gather the necessary information. He said the fact that Hurtado's mother is an American citizen, that he is married to an American citizen and that he has lived in California most of his life would place citizenship within easy reach.

District Attorney Robert Tait said his office is looking into the case carefully. The office is particularly interested in the voter registration aspect of the case. Tait added his office is more interested in determining the circumstances surrounding Hurtado's registration to vote.

Hurtado is being represented by Jose Rodriguez of CRLA. Rodriguez had advised Hurtado not to comment on the situation, fearing that his comments later would be used against him.

Guru festival this weekend

A thousand devotees of the Guru Maharaj Ji will gather here this weekend for the annual Guru Puja Festival of the Divine Light Mission.

The bulk of the festival will occur Saturday. Activities planned include—concerts and theatre performances presented in the amphitheatre behind the Cal Poly Theatre from 10:30 to 12:30.—a series of seminars and workshops at the same time—a film about the Marahaj Ji's Australian tour in 1974 entitled "The Power of Love," to be shown at 1:30 and 4 p.m. in the University Union—a question and answer session on

meditation to follow the film—a lecture by Shri Raja Ji, brother of Guru Marahaj Ji on the "The Inner Experience of Meditation" at 7:30 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium—a play by a Los Angeles theatre group entitled "Mirabai" on the same program with the above lecture—a taped

address from the Guru Maharaj Ji in Venezuela to be played at the conclusion of the above activities in Chumash Auditorium.

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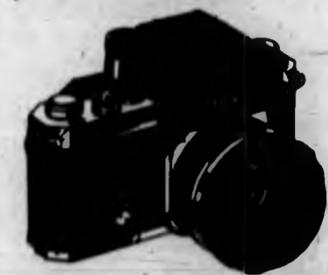


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the state can file election petitions."

"We've talked to many workers in areas we've never before been active, such as Lompoc, and even though we haven't been here before in force, there's a lot of excitement—the people want the union. He (Chavez) is telling them 'We will go where the workers want us to come,'" he added.

Commenting on the strike Friday by workers in the Santa Maria area, who had voted against accepting the latest contract offer by growers, Grossman called it a farce.

"The Teamsters are staging phoney strikes in the Santa Maria and Salinas Valley areas. This is a situation unique in the history of

California agriculture. The growers tell the workers not to come to work and if they do, they are beaten and threatened. Then the growers say they are crippled by the strike.

"It's not a strike, it's a lockout—the employers are keeping the workers out," Grossman said.

The new contract was ratified Friday, as a large majority of workers in California and Arizona voted in favor of it, although Santa Maria area workers reportedly did not, and harvest operations are continuing normally.

Grossman said, "The Teamsters are merely trying to lend legitimacy to the new sweetheart contracts being signed with the growers. Why should

they sign when new elections are right around the corner?"

"They have one purpose—the Teamsters and growers are working to defeat the farmworkers. In a very real sense, the growers are subverting the will of the people of California. What they're doing now is in violation of the spirit and letter of the law," he said.

The new contracts would be voided if the UFWU was chosen as the workers representative in secret elections. The Teamsters have said they will try to renegotiate the pact if they win the election.

After answering questions from the group, Chavez left immediately, as the audience applauded and chanted "Huelga."

Festival to begin with piano recital

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panied by John Russell in the Cal Poly Theatre at 3 p.m. on Aug. 2. Also on the program is Mozart's Divertimento No. 15 in B-flat Major for Strings and Two Horns, K. 287.

At 8:15 that evening, singer-lutenist Donna Curry will perform works from the Baroque and Renaissance Periods.

A repeat of the Mission Concert will occur at the same time.

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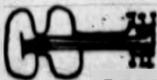
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