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Officials plan crackdown on early final exams

By Yumi Sera
Staff Writer

Professors planning on giving final examinations other than at the scheduled times had better make other plans.

The Cal Poly administration will be more closely monitoring the enforcement of the Campus Administrative Manual (CAM) regarding variations from scheduled final examination times and locations.

Malcolm Wilson, vice president for Academic Affairs, circulated a memorandum to all school deans asking for a list of faculty who were authorized to reschedule their final exams in fall 1988 and who are requesting authorization for rescheduling this quarter.

The memo also asked for the number of students who took

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final exams out of schedule "in accordance with the provisions of CAM" and for a description of the ways in which the schools are monitoring or planning to monitor the final exam "process to assure conformance with university policy."

"The memo was sent out because of the increasing amount of student complaints about finals being rescheduled," said Wilson. "Most finals were being rescheduled during the last week of classes — that shortens the instructional time for studies."

Every quarter there are complaints from math/science faculty about students being distracted from class during the last week of school because of finals being given in other subjects, said Philip Bailey, dean of the School of Mathematics and Science.

"Students are distracted because they are worrying about finals in other classes," Bailey said. "When a final is given early, the whole class loses another session or two that can be used to teach more material."

According to CAM, a final exam will be given in all lecture and

non-lecture courses unless the course content or method of instruction is unique or there is a more appropriate way for establishing a final evaluation of a student's performance in a course. For instance, architecture classes may have a final project in lieu of an exam.

"The regulation for finals was made a long time ago, and somewhere in the dark and distant past, someone must have not been giving a final and getting an extra week off of schoolwork," said Peter Lee, Dean of the School of Engineering.

"I bet the tightened monitoring of regulations was because someone's complaining that finals are being given early or not at all," Lee said.

CAM also says that a student must receive permission from the dean of the school in which the course is offered to take a final out of schedule.

There are only five reasons in which the student will be granted permission: the student is going into the armed forces, there is a death or serious illness in the student's family, the university requests the student to represent it at some educational activity, illness of the student or a university-arranged, permanent job placement interview.

"I was surprised — I permitted students to take tests when valid reasons were cited," said Lee. "I bet 99 percent of the faculty do not know that for students to take the final at a different time they must receive the dean's approval."

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Migrants in poverty at Stanford

STANFORD (AP) — Impoverished migrant workers crammed into wooden shacks on one of America's most beautiful college campuses are at the center of a dispute over who's legally responsible for their misery.

On one side of the wrangle is prestigious Stanford University. On the other is Webb Ranch, which leases 300 acres from the school and pays the migrants wages below the poverty line to pick berries and vegetables.

Webb charges 75 cents out of every hour worked for rent, so the more hours worked the higher the rent, said Reuben Serna, a spokesman for United Stanford Workers, the union representing 1,200 maintenance workers at the school.

The shacks are a half-mile from the center of campus and have no heat, toilets or running water. During harvest time, they are crowded with up to eight people who pay up to \$1,600 a month for the space, Serna said.

The migrants have asked the United Stanford Workers to represent them. Earlier this week the union sent university President Donald Kennedy and the ranch a letter demanding recognition as sole bargaining agent for the farm workers.

Union attorney Jim Eggleston claims that Stanford, as the land's owner, is the workers' true employer under state law and is

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Captive Audience

Belly dancer Shiranee, who hails from Malaysia, gracefully whirled her diaphanous shawl during a dance routine that drew admiring looks from audience members who gathered in the University Union on Thursday for a multicultural festival that took place there as part of Multicultural Month.

Mrs. Mandela repudiated by activists

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Anti-apartheid leaders gave an unprecedented rebuke to Winnie Mandela on Thursday, saying she has betrayed the trust of the black community and kept bodyguards who waged a "reign of terror" in Soweto.

The influential activists accused Mrs. Mandela, wife of jailed African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela and once called the "Mother of the Nation," of "violating human rights ... in the name of the struggle against apartheid."

The strongly worded statement was the first public repudiation of Mrs. Mandela by the senior leadership of the anti-apartheid movement. They accused her of complicity in the abduction and assault of a 14-year-old black activist, Stompie Seipei, whose decomposed body was found dumped in Soweto last month.

Mrs. Mandela, in the few public statements she has made, denied she was at home when the teen-ager and four men were abducted to her house on Dec. 29 by members of a so-called soccer team known as Mandela United who act as her unofficial bodyguards. But she has defended the abduction, saying the four were taken to protect them from sexual abuse at a Methodist church residence where they were staying in Soweto.

The church has denied the charge, and the anti-apartheid leaders made their denunciation of Mrs. Mandela at the Central Methodist Church in Johannesburg.

Tom Sebina, a spokesman for the African National Congress, said from the organization's Lusaka, Zambia, headquarters that ANC leaders were concerned at reports linking Mrs. Mandela with the boy's death.

Asked if Mrs. Mandela was present when Stompie was abducted, Sebina said: "Everybody at home believes so."

The ANC has called on Mrs. Mandela to disband the soccer team.

Leaders of the banned United Democratic Front, the nation's largest opposition coalition, joined prominent anti-apartheid lawyers and officials of the Congress of South African Trade Unions, the largest black labor federation, in reaffirming their allegiance to Mandela while distancing themselves from his wife.

Mandela's lawyer, Ismail Ayob, said he did not believe his client had been informed of the statement.

Mandela, 70, has been imprisoned since 1962 and is serving a life sentence for sabotage and plotting to overthrow the

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Hudson's lover wants award doubled

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The lawyer for Rock Hudson's lover asked a jury Thursday to double its \$14.5 million award as a message to the world that those with AIDS have a duty to warn their sexual partners.

"If you bring in a verdict like the one you brought in yesterday, you know the world is going to know about it," said attorney Harold Rhoden, arguing in the second phase of the precedent-setting trial.

Jurors began deliberations on the issue of punitive and exemplary damages after receiving legal instructions from Superior Court Judge Burce Geernaert.

Rhoden called the jury's decision on Wednesday in favor of Marc Christian

"magnificent," and predicted to jurors that further damages would produce headlines reading: "Rock Hudson Jury Does It Again."

He urged the seven women and five men to assess another \$14.5 million in exemplary and punitive damages against Hudson's secretary and confidant Mark Miller, who he contends helped hide Hudson's illness.

"There are countless millions of people involved, people who may benefit by your verdict, if it makes an example of Mark Miller," Rhoden said.

He said that those with AIDS would no longer keep it secret from their sex partners if they knew it could result in a huge

damage award.

Miller's lawyer, Andrew Banks, said no further damages were necessary.

"The message has been sent," he argued. "It's echoed around the world. Now please exercise caution."

Christian sued on grounds that he suffered emotional distress and "enhanced fear" that he might contract AIDS. He has consistently tested negative for presence of the AIDS virus, but his lawyer says that is no guarantee that he will not develop AIDS in the future.

Miller already has been held liable along with the Hudson estate for the \$14.5

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We at the *Daily* have been alerted of a real problem on campus.

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Letters to the Editor

We must help free each other

Editor— In response to Angie Estes' and Peggy Lant's column, I have found myself unwilling to judge Women's Week a failure because of an omission of some crucial issues in programming. On the other hand, I have no large fear of the possibility of failure in confronting the monumental tasks, and neither Peggy and Angie nor Women's Week can be accused of failure to fight the battle.

I have always seen Peggy's and Angie's forthrightness as a testimony to their sense of mission and their dedication to being on the cutting edge. And I see their vision and mission as possibly failing only when this cutting edge is used to slash at other women's efforts.

We all must liberate ourselves and liberate each other. We can't do one without the other. And the task doesn't disappear just because of two possible failures.

Diane Wild
Foreign Languages, Literatures

On gun control

Editor — The Feb. 14 *Mustang Daily* article about the proposed ban on self-loading firearms is typical of the almost completely one-sided reporting on firearms issues in the media. Almost every news report presents the "gun prohibitionist" point of view. The fact that the civil liberties of a quiet and law-abiding minority are being trampled gets little attention.

It is seldom mentioned that fewer than 1 out of 5,000 rifles or shotguns are ever used in any crime, or that about 350,000 innocent lives are saved through the lawful use of these same rifles and shotguns in self-defense. I never hear a gun prohibitionist offering to take responsibility for the thousands of crimes that will go unstoppable due to gun control.

Sacrificing our constitutional right to keep and bear firearms, or any other individual right, is a serious issue. If we restrict the rights of innocent people, it is doubtful that we shall be living in freedom much longer.

Mark S. Diehl

Nicaragua's contra-versy

By

A.J. Schuermann



Freedom-fighting is an act of defiance. And like all freedom fighters, the Nicaraguan contras are troublemakers. But troublemakers are always fighting oppression, just as Americans fought the British empire in the 18th century. For Jefferson, it was independence. For King George, it was treason.

Nicaragua is not America, and I pity the fool who believes contras are "moral equivalents" to our founding fathers. Americans were revolutionaries, contras are counter-revolutionaries. Americans were able to govern themselves, but contras couldn't govern anything.

In fact, contras will never govern Nicaragua. They know this, so why are they still fighting?

Because it is democratic to have opposition to the left-wing Sandinista dictatorship, contras exist to oppose Nicaragua's newest dictatorship and to continue the sequence of war in Nicaragua.

The truth is Sandinistas cannot govern Nicaragua effectively. Sandinista guerillas know nothing about running a country, just as contras know nothing about running a country. Sandinistas and contras know how to kill.

They are violent political parties. Sandinistas had military power when the last Somoza was ousted in 1979, so they became the new government of Nicaragua, promising the "human rights" that Nicaragua never had under the Somozas. But left-wing dictatorships sacrifice human rights just like right-wing dictatorships. The real problem for Nicaragua is most Nicaraguans support neither contras nor Sandinistas.

Contras fight Sandinistas, just as Sandinistas fought Somozas. Left- and right-wing dictatorships should be opposed, but guerillas are not suitable replacements for dictatorships.

Sandinistas will have to ease their grip of Nicaragua if they intend to stay in power. Agriculture is Nicaragua's lifeline, and this lifeline

is poorly managed by the Sandinistas. Much of Nicaragua's population is fighting, while left-wing guerillas with military power take land away from farmers.

As for contras stationed on military bases, who are probably confused about what America is doing, they'll become homeless guerillas if they are worthless guerillas. Some Nicaraguans had high expectations for contras, because they had been fighting so enthusiastically with American support.

There is talk about a representative government in Nicaragua, but the fate of the contras is unpredictable because they are labeled as "the opposition," which means "the other guerillas." To Sandinistas, it could mean "the enemy," or "insignificance." Decisions will have to be made about the contras — decisions made by Nicaragua or for Nicaragua.

There are contras still fighting, still trying to win, even with less equipment. Guerilla warfare is what they live for, so it's difficult for them to stop fighting. Keep in mind that contras will want to live in the United States, if they are unwelcome in Central America.

Women's Week bars lesbians

Editor — I would like to reply to Jeanne Girolo's somewhat misinformed remarks on the column Dr. Estes and I wrote for the *Mustang* on our concerns over the exclusive attitude of the Women's Week organizers.

Ms. Girolo asks whether we attended the Women's Week planning sessions, and I can answer that I certainly did — not this year but for three years in the past. During those years I worked very hard for the Women's Week Committee. In

fact, I wrote the original proposal that earned them lottery funds. I worked with other women's committees, too, here at Poly — I organized the Women's Coalition, I started the newsletter, and I wrote the original Women's Studies Minor Proposal.

After those three years, however, I had to withdraw myself from participation because it became clear that the homophobia I faced as a member of these committees was unproductive — for me and for the other committee members. When I originally asked why Women's Week did not have sessions on lesbian issues, I was told that Cal Poly was very conservative and that we didn't want to

"wave any red flags." When I insisted that as feminists we must wave red flags, when I made the point that by not speaking for our lesbian students, faculty members, staff — who may be too oppressed to speak for themselves — we were silencing these women, I was told that I should organize such sessions if I was interested. I was given to understand by these attitudes that if I wanted to press this unpopular issue, I was on my own. It became clear to me that the feminist organizations of Cal Poly had no desire to deal with their own homophobia or to support those women on campus (and those gay men) who were already consigned to silent marginalization. So, yes, Girolo is right, these problems have been festering for a while.

Let me stress that it is not just the responsibility of the lesbian to speak against her own oppression. I would ask the Women's Week organizers these questions: Don't you realize what price the lesbian must pay by speaking out? She could lose her job, she could be alienated from her family, she could destroy her future. Don't you understand that if her silence persists, we are all silenced, we are all guilty of silencing her? Don't you feel some sense of responsibility to this woman? To these many women? This issue is not simply important to lesbians; it affects us all. As long as one woman must hide, as long as she cannot be fully who she is, we

must ensure that somehow we change the world so that she can be herself.

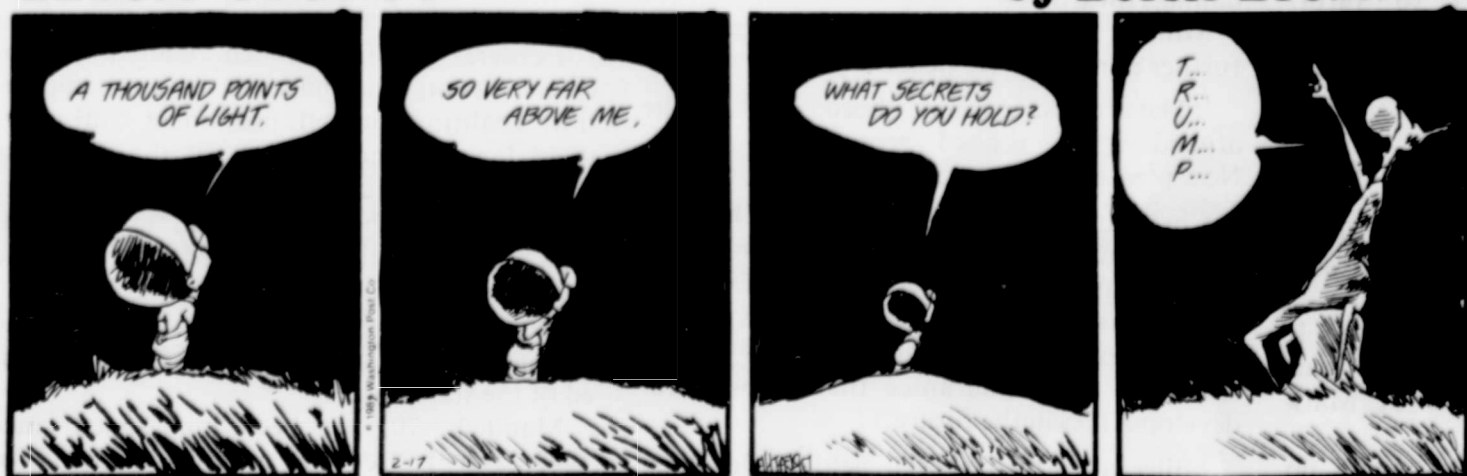
Girolo accuses us of couching our column in a "dishonest tone of sisterly love," but what could be more dishonest or silencing than her list of topics covered during Women's Week when not one of those sessions deals with lesbianism? She dares us (because we are the ones threatened with exposure), forces us, to speak the unspeakable. She knows our concern is with the homophobia on this campus, and yet she will not even acknowledge this glaring omission in Women's Week scheduling. She doesn't have to. She rests secure in her position of privilege. If we want to raise the issue, we will suffer for our outspokenness.

Girolo also asserts that we did not cover any of the omitted topics in our own sessions. I assume she did not attend our sessions or did not read our session descriptions. I spoke of working class and lesbian poets (as well as of black and white American poets); Dr. Estes read her own poetry — lesbian poetry clearly. Does Girolo insist that in order to substantiate our claims of exclusion from Women's Week that we speak of our own oppression? I think she indicates with her letter that no oppression, no exclusion exists, that the only way we can prove it is by making damning public statements about our personal lives.

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by Berke Breathed



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If that is what Girolo wants fine: here they are. I am married, but have lived most of my adult life as a lesbian. I love my husband, but life with him is different, and — as my husband knows — my political loyalties lie with women. I maintain my commitment to the struggle of lesbian women to be represented in such forums as Women's Week. I think no feminist can afford to overlook the plight of the lesbian, no feminist can rest easy with her own silence on the topic. I am aware, after 20 years of oppression as a lesbian, that lesbians are cruelly silenced and marginalized, and I believe Women's Week offers a good example of how that silencing occurs.

The message from Women's Week is this: "If you want to deal with lesbian issues, do it yourself. Even if you don't have the power, even if you destroy yourself by public exposure, even if we have expressed no support whatsoever of your position." Clearly, the feminists of Cal Poly believe that lesbians are on their own.

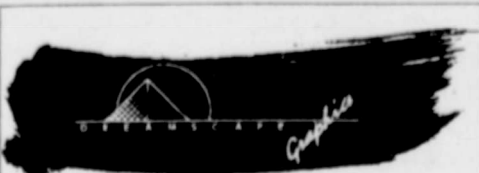
Girolo finds our piece dishonest, but I think the dishonesty exists among the women on this campus who do not embrace eagerly the plight of their lesbian sisters and who do not even acknowledge the oppression of these women. If an apology is owed, it is owed perhaps to those women — faculty, staff, students, townspeople — who have been excluded from Women's Week, who have been left to fend for themselves in a world that hates them so much that they may never come to speech.

The organizers of Women's Week may "care deeply" about some women, but clearly not about lesbian women.

Girolo asks finally about our purpose in writing the essay, "What message does their action send to the women students they seek to influence?" In closing, let me answer that.

Our message to our students is this: middleclass, workingclass, poor, disabled, heterosexual or lesbian, male or female, white, black, or brown — we affirm and celebrate *all* of you. We believe that with honesty, with real affection for for all our sisters — not just the ones who don't upset or challenge us — our students will accomplish what they should at this university: they will find themselves against the backdrop of human history, and in finding.

Peggy Lant
English Department



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North trial to go on

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court lifted its stay delaying the start of Oliver North's trial Thursday, but North's lawyers complained he cannot get a fair trial under a deal struck by his prosecutor and the attorney general for handling testimony involving national secrets.

"Defendant North still faces two governments, rather than a single prosecutor with full power to make all trial decisions," said Brendan Sullivan, the head of North's defense team, in papers filed with U.S. District Judge Gerhard A. Gesell.

The Supreme Court, meanwhile, lifted a stay that had been requested by Attorney General Dick Thornburgh while he was still arguing with independent counsel Lawrence Walsh over whether rules on disclosing classified information were tight enough.

There was no word from Gesell when he would summon jurors, who are already selected, to his court to begin the trial of the former Marine lieutenant colonel and White House aide.

The newest Thornburgh-Walsh arrangement "would impose intolerable burdens on the court, the witnesses, and the jurors," Sullivan said. He asked Gesell to tell the attorney general he can take action to dismiss the entire case or any of the 12 criminal charges but that he will not "have the right or the opportunity to intervene in the trial."

Sullivan recalled that Gesell had said earlier in the week that Thornburgh would have no right to intervene "by bits and pieces" to object to the introduction of classified material. But Sullivan said the new arrangement does give Thornburgh that ability.

Under the arrangement announced Wednesday, Walsh agreed to ask Thornburgh for an affidavit whenever Walsh believed undisclosed secrets were about to be spilled in the trial. The attorney general would stay out of the courtroom while the independent counsel carried the battle.

"Under the independent counsel's proposed plan," said Sullivan, the attorney general will have the right to step in "whenever the going gets tough, precisely what the court has forbidden him from doing."

In response, Walsh said North's lawyer is under a misconception of how the prosecutorial plan will work.

"The day-to-day conduct of this case will be by the independent counsel and only the independent counsel," he said. He likened his relationship with the Justice Department to that of a lawyer who checks with his client "to find out whether some supervening policy requires a termination of the litigation."

Sullivan said the new arrangement would guarantee frequent interruptions, as challenges are made and resolved.

FINALS

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proval."

"If a student has another situation — a more human one that doesn't fall into a category — I leave it up to the faculty member and the student," said Bailey. "If the student has a reasonable excuse, the faculty member can help that student at an informal level."

"I do not have a problem with students taking a final with

another section of class if the professor does not mind," Wilson said.

He also said that he is asking for the student and faculty lists to test the waters and see if anyone is following the policy.

"My guess is that we've had enough turnover in faculty and most have probably forgotten about the policy," Wilson said. "I want to re-examine the policy — whether it should be followed or modified."



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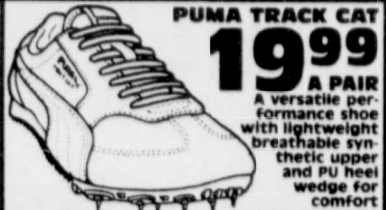
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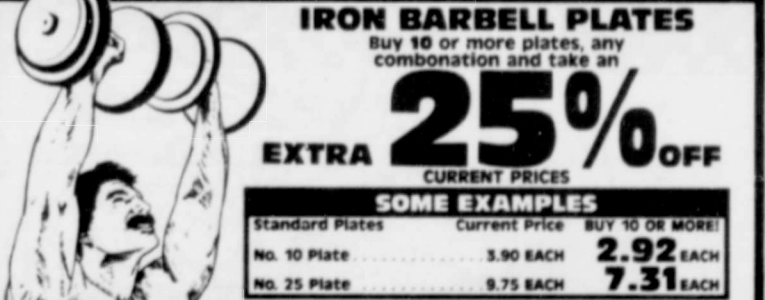
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Californians can't spare a dime

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A majority of Californians are willing to pay an additional five cents a gallon in gasoline taxes, but they balk at paying an extra dime, according to a California Poll.

Results of the latest California Poll released on Thursday also indicated that before Californians pay anything more, they want an opportunity to vote on the matter.

"People are not jumping up and down saying, 'Please tax me,' but they see a nickel a gallon as reasonable," said Mervin Field, director of the California Poll. "For a dime-a-gallon increase to pass, someone has to make the case to the public."

In the poll, a nickel-a-gallon tax increase to pay for improving highways was favored by 55 percent to 42 percent. The dime-a-gallon hike was rejected by 59

percent to 36 percent.

In addition, a total of 73 percent of those surveyed said that tax increases should require the public's approval.

The survey, which was conducted Jan. 23-31, has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.5 percent.

The poll comes as several gasoline-tax measures are pending in the Legislature.

A bill introduced by Assemblyman Richard Katz, D-Sepulveda — chairman of the Assembly's Transportation Committee — would increase the state gas tax by five cents a gallon as part of a transit program.

Independent state Sen. Quentin Kopp of San Francisco has proposed his own transportation plan that includes a 10-cent hike in the gas tax.

MIGRANTS

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legally responsible "for the shameful activity that's going on here."

"There are more illegalities, more exploitation of workers, more breaches of workers' rights in this one plot of ground right here than we've seen in a long, long time," he said Wednesday.

Kennedy declined to comment on the issue, but Stanford attorney Priscilla Wheeler said the university isn't responsible for the employment policies of its lessees or contractors.

"We would, of course, be concerned if any lessee violated the law," Wheeler said in a statement. "So far as we know, Webb Ranch has not done so. If there are issues of mistreatment, we hope they are brought up with the state."

Wheeler acknowledged that the migrants sometimes work on campus as contract workers, but said there is no basis for the union's claim that the university is a joint employer with Webb.

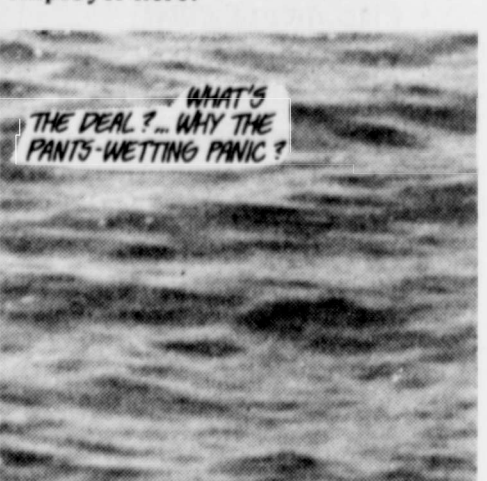
If Kennedy and Webb refuse to accept the bargaining demand by Friday, the union plans to file a petition with the state Agriculture Labor Relations Board that could lead to a vote by the migrants on representation, Eggleston said.

Union officials said Webb receives \$8.50 an hour for the contract workers, but pays them only \$4.25 and pockets the rest.

Ranch manager Stanley Webb was not available for comment, his office said. Other ranch officials declined to comment.

Whatever doubt remains about the migrants' legal employer, no one denies that their poor living conditions make a striking contrast to the campus 30 miles south of San Francisco, which covers thousands of acres and boasts elegant Spanish-style buildings and eucalyptus trees.

"I think this is a step backward in history," said Art Pulaski of the San Mateo County Central Labor Council. "It's somewhat reminiscent of the company towns, where the employers control people not only at work but at home after work. ... Stanford University is acting like a Third World employer here."



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"Winter is the time to surf most everywhere," said Jimmy Peterson, president of the Cal Poly Living Water Surf Club, a Christ-centered surf group. "The swells are going to be a lot bigger than in summer because of storms."

ride it out. Other surfers will respect that and not "drop in" on him or her.

"If someone catches a wave then it's common courtesy to let them ride it," Peterson said. Dropping in is to ride a wave in front of another surfer already riding it.

Despite the fact surfing is a sport with rules, there's nobody but surfers to enforce those rules on a daily basis. And that can lead to hostilities in the water, Peterson said.

This includes heckling by other, more experienced surfers.

"It's inevitable," Peterson said. "You can't get good

take a second look."

He said he has a considerable sum invested in surfing gear, about \$600.

That's about average for a season, and he said.

Peterson said the water locally is clean. He hasn't seen any bags or bodily fluids washed up on the beach — yet. He said he's out there for the enjoyment. But he has noticed at the Rock at Morro Bay a warning of the water due to water discharges from the PG&E plant located near the beach.

"Water there, in places, can be 55 to 60 degrees," Peterson said. "You'll paddle 10 feet more and be back in water that's 55 degrees. There's a lot of time out there (as a result)."

Also, it may affect marine life in the area because they are cold-water creatures and accustomed to warmer water.

Coppos also concerns himself with local and national environmental issues. Every morning he makes his forecast with commentary. Sometimes it's wacky and sometimes it's serious.

"The only way to get the air to turn is beat the Navy



Winter-time surfers wear semi-porous wetsuits which create a natural insulator by using water heated by the body.

To combat the cold, neoprene wetsuits are a necessity.

"We wear wetsuits," Peterson said. "So you're wet underneath and it maintains the heat of your body so that you'll stay warm to a certain extent. You'll still get cold but not as cold as if you didn't have a wetsuit on."

The semi-porous wetsuits trap small amounts of ocean water which is heated by the body and acts as an insulator.

"It's a heater," Peterson said.

And all the heat is needed, since water temperatures feel like melted ice cubes. The shivers, aching and numbness produced by the water make anyone think twice about a day in the surf.

Peterson, who is originally from Colorado, has been surfing for three and a half years.

"That's one of the reasons I moved to California — to surf," he said.

Chris Coppos, a 20-year veteran surfer and local radio surf forecaster, said he tries to make his broadcasts interesting to surfers and non-surfers, to keep them tuned

as a surfer without expecting some of that."

There's also the problem of surfers who think they own the beach. Peterson said he doesn't see that much locally but up north and down south it happens a lot.

"We will surf with anybody," Peterson said. "We like to keep it mellow. We think surfers should behave in a courteous fashion."

Some of the natural hazards are sharks — big ones with razor-sharp teeth that may mistake surfers for sea lions.

"This is just a rumor but I heard, but I can't confirm it, that there were a couple of great white sharks off the Pismo Pier the other week," Peterson said. "I heard they had to close down the beach."

Juventino Ortiz, a state park ranger at Pismo, said there were no sharks.

"A surf fisherman reported seeing something come up and catch a fish by its mid-section and take it away," Ortiz said.

A later look through a fishing guide manual revealed the most likely attacker was a killer whale.

"It's the first time I've heard about a killer whale in the bay," Ortiz said.

He said the beach remained open the whole day because a search of the shoreline revealed no signs of anything.

Peterson said he can't recall any one of the 80 or so looseknit members of the Living Water Surf Club getting hurt by a shark or seriously injured.

But that doesn't mean it hasn't happened.

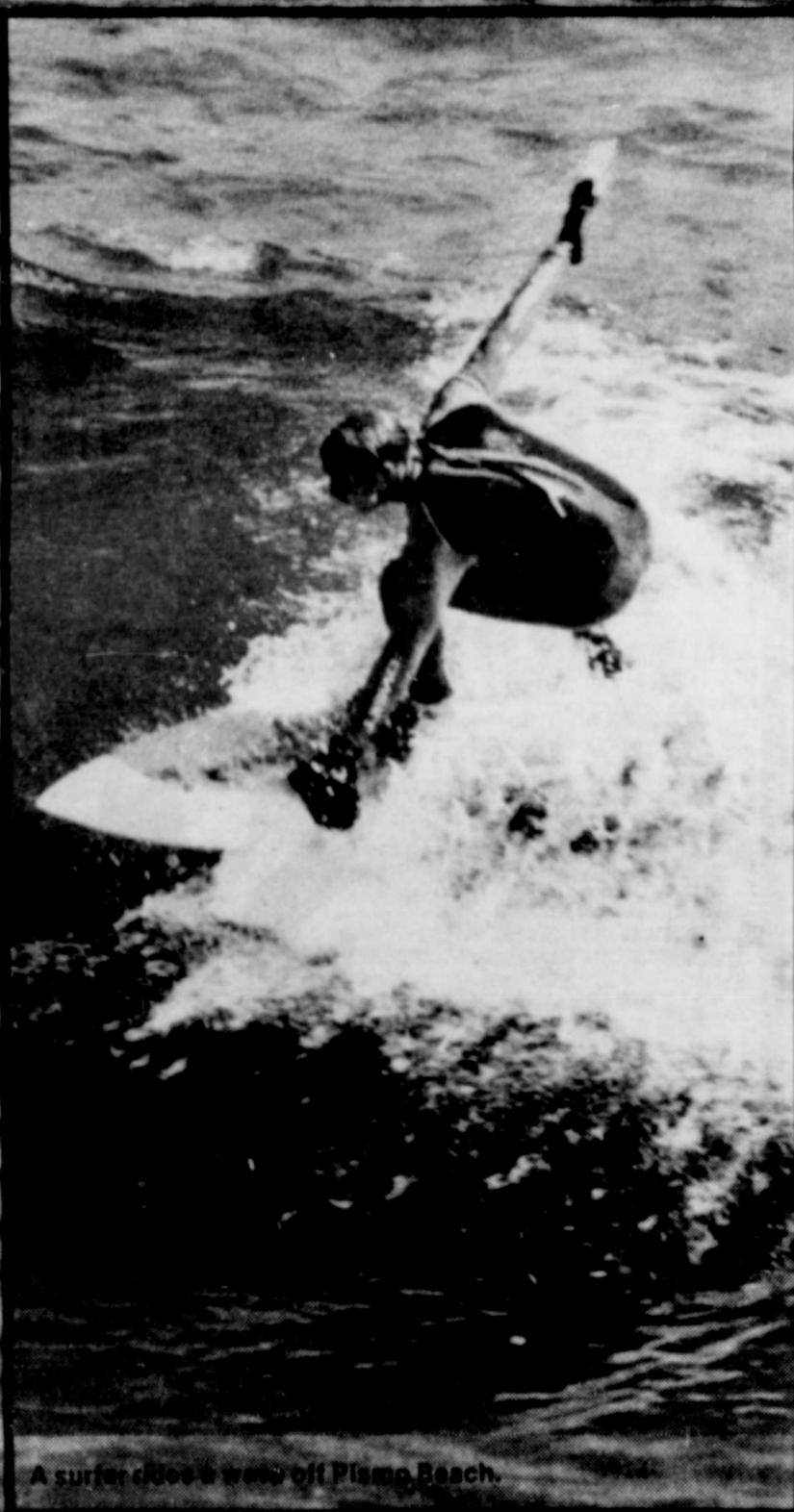
"You can get thrashed out there," Peterson said. "I got thrown over a reef one time."

Locally, waves vary in size from three to five feet on the average. The biggest waves in the world are in Hawaii, Peterson said, where they can stand 30 to 40 feet at times.

He said there aren't any women in the club now but there was one last quarter who took photographs. He also said there aren't many minorities.

"But all kinds of people surf," Peterson said. "Hawaiians, Japanese and I've seen a few blacks. Sometimes, if you're out in the water and a girl goes out, everyone will

Story and Photo by Steve Hulse



A surfer does a wave off Pismo Beach.

Winter is the time to surf most everywhere. The swells are going to be a lot bigger ... because of storms.
— Jimmy Peterson

in. He stops at the beach to take a look before going on the air.

Oftentimes during winter, Coppos said, the ocean water will actually be warmer than the air temperature. The water varies from about 46 to 52 degrees whereas the air can be in the low 30s on those early morning surf sessions.

Laura Hulse, a sales clerk at Moondoggies surf shop in San Luis Obispo, said wetsuit sales remain constant throughout the year.

In summer, the water temperature may get up into the 60s but that's still cold for most surfers.

What keeps surfing popular all year around are the countless points and inlets throughout the county, Peterson said.

Some of the known local hotspots for surfing are the Rock in Morro Bay and the Pismo Beach Pier.

"They're good but not as good as some spots I won't mention right now," said Peterson, who wants to keep his favorite surfing spots a secret.

He said there isn't a problem with crowding on Central Coast beaches but that surfing is getting more popular.

"I can see that it one day could get like Malibu," Peterson said. "Guys down there are getting used to sharing a wave with three or four people at a time."

Normally, he said, one surfer will catch a wave and



Sports

Poly softball team to rely on fundamentals

By Michael J. Levy
Staff Writer

Last year's softball team compiled a 31-17 record and made an appearance at the Western Regionals. First-year coach Lisa

Boyer would like to see much of the same, if not more this season.

Boyer, who has been the sports information director for three years, took over the team after Becky Heidech-Zoller resigned.

This year Boyer said she expects the team to accomplish what they did a year ago, especially in terms of its record, and to finish in the top three in the California Collegiate Athletic Association.

Eleven players are returning from last year, including all three of the pitchers and four starters.

In addition, the team is young with only one senior and two juniors, while nine of the 14 members are sophomores.

"The nice thing about the team is we don't have a star player, one that stands out on the team," Boyer said.

Instead the team has several good players. Boyer said she is optimistic about fourth-year starter at first base Ellen Frank.

"Frank is a very good hitter, she is without a doubt one of the

best first basemen we'll see all year," Boyer said.

The pitching staff also looks to be one of the strong points of the team. It includes Laura Fawcett, Lisa Johnson and Michelle Sorci, all sophomores.

Even though the Lady Mustangs don't have the standouts that will carry the team, Boyer says the team will rely on the fundamentals to win.

"Fundamentally we're very sound. We may not be a team that makes spectacular plays, but we are a team that will make routine plays consistently."

One weakness on the team that may become a factor this season is the team's lack of depth. There are only 14 players on the team, and three of those are pitchers.

If weather permits, the Lady Mustangs will play UC San

Diego tomorrow in a doubleheader at home.

According to Boyer, UCSD is a team that Cal Poly has beaten regularly in the past. She is going into the doubleheader expecting two wins.

As for conference action, which begins on March 10, two teams appear to be the favorites. One is Cal State Bakersfield, and the other is perennial powerhouse Cal State Northridge, which finished third nationally in 1988.

Boyer said the Lady Mustang team has the potential to do well, depending on its execution of the fundamentals.

"We've got to do just what we've been doing. If we do the fundamentals, we will win. If we don't do the fundamentals right, we won't win."

It's that simple.

OU coach vows to remain

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Who better than Coach Barry Switzer to restore dignity to Oklahoma's football program, Switzer said of a team bogged down with troubles that started with an NCAA probation and ended — for now — with the arrest of quarterback Charles Thompson.

While Switzer admits he is "more embarrassed than anyone" about the three-year probation, which preceded felony charges against five players for a shooting, an alleged gang rape

and Thompson's arrest Monday night on a complaint of selling cocaine to undercover FBI agents, state newspapers are calling for him to resign.

But Switzer, who has the winningest percentage of active coaches, remains undaunted.

He told The Associated Press Wednesday night that he has no intention of stepping down and was "committed to restoring the image" of a good football program. "If we work at it 24 hours a day we'll do it," he said.

The latest newspaper to join the ranks against Switzer is *The Daily Oklahoman*, which also called for his resignation in 1982 when problems surfaced concerning the football program and Switzer's financial dealings.

"Other newspapers have recently called for Switzer's ouster. We didn't bother this time," the editorial said in today's editions. "We called for that more than six years ago before the football program's trou-

bles turned to probation, shooting, alleged rape and suspected drug dealing." On Wednesday, the *Tulsa World* and the university's student newspaper, *The Oklahoma Daily*, also suggested that Switzer resign. The *Tulsa Tribune* called for him to step down after NCAA sanctions were announced in December.

Meanwhile, Thompson was released in the custody of his mother Wednesday while he awaits trial on a charge of selling 17 grams of cocaine on Jan. 26. Thompson's arrest came one week after he told a group of elementary students in Norman, Okla., to avoid drugs.

"Regardless of what anyone tells you about drugs, regardless of what anyone has told you, it's the quickest way to end your life... the quickest way to be in jail," Thompson told the student assembly.

No trial date has been set for Thompson.

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white-run government.

"We are outraged at Mrs. Mandela's complicity in the recent abductions and assault of Stompie," the anti-apartheid leaders said. "Had Stompie and his three colleagues not been abducted by Mrs. Mandela's 'football team,' he would have been alive today."

Police this week identified Stompie's body in a Soweto morgue and opened a murder investigation when stab wounds were found in his neck.

Police also are investigating the murders of a Mandela United member found hacked to death in Soweto this week, and a prominent anti-apartheid physician who reportedly saw Stompie after he had been beaten.

Maj.-Gen. Jaap Joubert, who is heading the investigations, said police also are looking for two young Soweto men who have been missing since November, after last being seen in the company of members of the soccer team.

The investigations are the latest in a series of controversies involving Mrs. Mandela, 54, in the three years since the government removed all restrictions on her activities and ended the

ban on quoting her. Many black activists used to call her "Mother of the Nation," but her erratic behavior and reluctance to consult with black leaders have alienated many supporters.

"Mrs. Mandela has abused the trust and confidence which she has enjoyed over the years," said Murphy Morobe of the United Democratic Front.

"Numerous efforts have been made to reconcile the conflict between Mrs. Mandela and the (black) community," he said. "On every occasion Mrs. Mandela has refused to cooperate and has chosen to disregard the sentiments of the community."

Morobe noted that Mrs. Mandela has faced severe hardships, such as being separated from her husband for 27 years, raising her two daughters alone, living under harsh police restrictions, and spending 18 months in solitary confinement without charge.

He said it had been painful for black leaders to speak out against Mrs. Mandela, and conceded the government would use the criticism as a "propaganda point."

But he said her actions repeatedly violated the "spirit and ethos" of the anti-apartheid movement, which seeks to end South Africa's system of legalized race discrimination.

"We are outraged by the reign of terror that the team has been associated with," Morobe said. "Not only is Mrs. Mandela associated with the team, in fact, the team is her own creation."

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu said in Cape Town he has "a high regard" for Mrs. Mandela and hoped that something could be done to reconcile her with the Soweto community. Although the allegations about abduction and assault have not been proven in court, Tutu said, "Enough has surfaced to make it evident that there is enough truth to make it uncomfortable."

Mrs. Mandela issued no response to the denunciation, would not take phone calls, and refused to talk to journalists who went to her Soweto office.

Logging team to host contest

The Cal Poly Logging team will host their second annual Logger Sports Championships Saturday. The event will be held on campus just past the Ornamental Horticulture Unit. Admission is free.

Five universities including UC Berkeley will begin competition at 9 a.m. Thirteen scheduled events will last all day.

Lumberjack skills will be put to the test on land and in the water. The pole-climb and axe-throw will be the morning events while the log-run and sawing events (hand and chain) will take place later in the day. A barbecue lunch is planned and sunny skies are expected.

Champion pulp-tosser Bernie Quinn said last year's competition was an exciting success.

Cal Poly has had a logging team since 1978 and funds are raised through Christmas tree and firewood sales.



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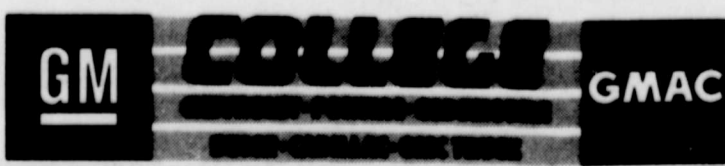
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