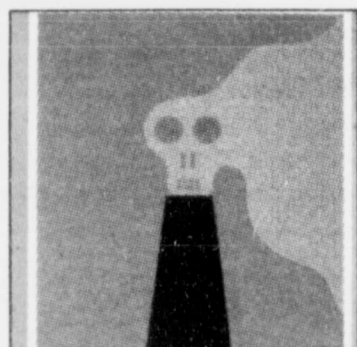


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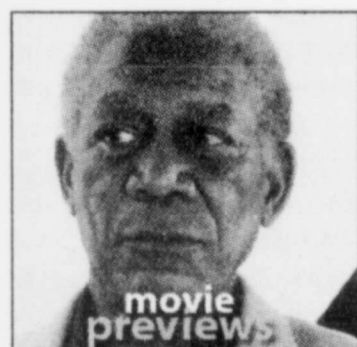
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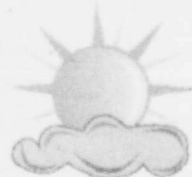
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History Channel thinks Cal Poly is "cream of the crop"

Coral Snyder
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Got dairy products? Cal Poly's Dairy Products Technology Center and Creamery will be featured on the History Channel's program "Modern Marvels."

The episode premiered on the History Channel on Monday and will have its last scheduled showing at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Titled "Modern Marvels: Milk," the episode will discuss the process of milk production from the dairy to the marketplace.

"The show is going to show the history and value of pasteurizing, why and how it came to be and who invented the process," said Phillip Tong, director of the Cal Poly Dairy Products Technology Center.

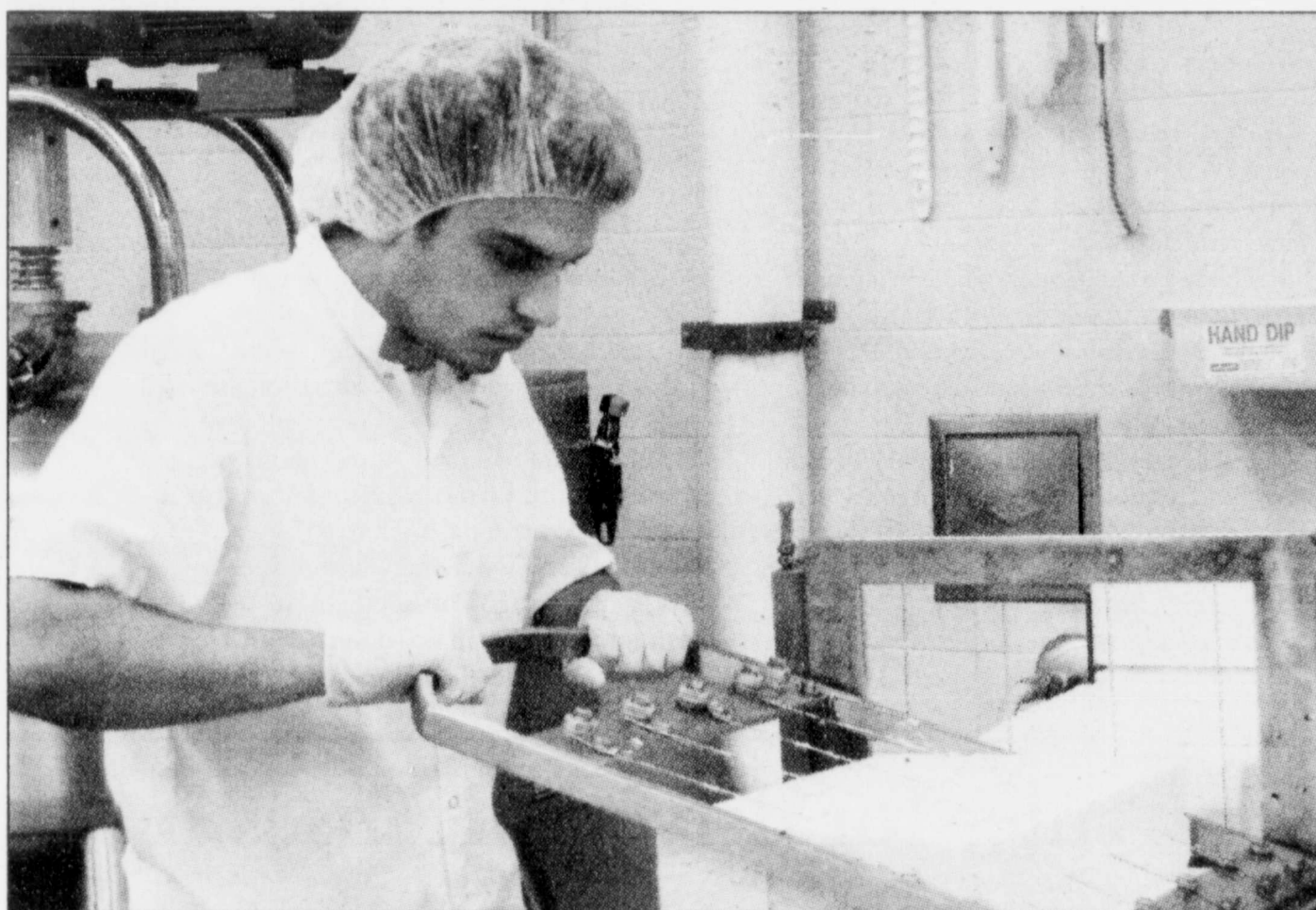
Filmed in the Cal Poly facilities in early October 2007, the episode features Cal Poly cows, research labs, professors and students in various segments.

"The show used Cal Poly as technological and scientific experts and used its facility to talk about nutrition and health," Tong said.

The Dairy Products Technology Center is part of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences. The center conducts dairy research involving nutrition, new food products and applied science, which support the dairy industry.

The creamery is operated by the dairy science department and has been making and selling products to the Central Coast since 1903. The milk is produced by a herd of Jersey cows owned by Cal Poly.

The college hired a full-time manager to oversee the daily creamery operations as well as student production of cheese and ice cream. This is



MUSTANG DAILY FILE PHOTO

A Cal Poly Dairy Products Technology Center employee uses a machine to slice gouda into wedges.

made possible through support from the Oreggia Family Foundation.

"The creamery serves as a practical lab for students to learn how to run a commercial entity," Tong said.

Students are involved in all aspects of dairy production, including managing the herd of cows and creating, packaging and marketing dairy products such as milk, cheese and ice cream.

According to Tong, students are able to gain

practical "hands-on experience" with foods that will be purchased and consumed. He said they learn the scientific aspect of production as well as how to make technological business decisions.

The episode is going to showcase the size and scope of Cal Poly facilities and highlight the university's production capabilities.

"Students who watch the show can learn about the history of milk and how it evolved for consumption," Tong said.

Winter wonderland brought to downtown



Above: Children pelt KSBY's meteorologist Dave Hovde with snow at Farmers' Market last night. At right: A child plays in the 15 tons of snow that was trucked into San Luis Obispo for the event.

GREG SMITH
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Calif. Rep. Doolittle retires from Congress

Samantha Young and Erica Werner

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ROSEVILLE, Calif. — Republican Rep. John Doolittle announced his retirement Thursday after a 17-year congressional career that took him from crusading conservative idealist to the top ranks of the House GOP.

It was there he got caught up in the scandal that would end his career.

Doolittle told supporters he would serve the remainder of his ninth term in the House but would drop his re-election bid for a 10th because he no longer loved his job.

After more than three years of maintaining his innocence while under federal criminal investigation in the Jack Abramoff lobbying probe, Doolittle said he realized within the last month that he did not want to serve in the House any more. His wife, Julie, has also been swept up in the investigation.

"Julie and I had a conversation and I said to her, 'You know, I don't mind risking losing an election because we've taken that risk on various occasions in these nearly 28 years. But I really don't like the idea of winning an election and then being obligated to serve two more years as a representative,'" Doolittle said during a news conference at a community center after telling supporters of his plans to retire.

"Once that came out of my mouth, which was a revelation to me at that point, I knew the decision was easy. I needed to not run again."

Doolittle, 57, was facing mounting political pressure from fellow Republicans eager to cleanse themselves of the ethics clouds some blame for the loss of their House majority in 2006.

Many also worried that after a near-loss in his 2006 re-election campaign, Doolittle would not be able to hang onto his seat in November — even though it's among the most conservative in California.

"John's decision was made in the best interests of his family, his constituents and the House, and I appreciate his years of service in Congress," House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, said in a statement. "My prayers remain with John and Julie, and I wish them the best as they work to bring this difficult process to a resolution."

Doolittle is contesting grand jury subpoenas for his congressional records as part of a larger dispute between Congress and the Justice Department over the scope of criminal investigations of lawmakers. The status of the investigation hasn't changed and there have been no developments in the case that prompted Doolittle's retirement, said his attorney, David Barger.

Richardson ends campaign for Democratic presidential nomination

Barry Massey

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New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson ended his long-shot bid for the Democratic presidential nomination Thursday after poor finishes in the first two contests in Iowa and New Hampshire.

He praised all of his Democratic rivals but endorsed no one. He encouraged voters to "take a long and thoughtful look" and elect one of them president.

Richardson said that although his support at the polls lagged the front-runners, many of his leading rivals had moved closer to his positions on such issues as the war in Iraq and educating young Americans at home.

"Despite overwhelming financial and political odds, I am proud of the campaign we waged ... and most importantly the influence we had on the issues that matter the most to the future of this country," he said.

On a less serious note, he estimated the long campaign had included 200 debates. He quickly

amended that to 24 but said "it felt like 200."

Richardson, 60, announced his decision at the state Capitol, saying he was returning to "the best job in the world" as New Mexico's governor.

With the New Mexico Legislature convening for its annual one-month regular session next Tuesday, he said with a grin to all those involved: "I'm back."

Richardson had one of the most wide-ranging resumes of any candidate ever to run for the presidency, bringing experience from his time in Congress, in President Clinton's Cabinet as energy secretary, as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, in the New Mexico Statehouse as well as his unique role as a freelance diplomat. As a Hispanic man, he added to the unprecedented diversity in the Democratic field that also included a woman and a black man.

But Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama dominated the spotlight in the campaign, and Richardson was never able to become a top-tier contender, trailing well behind them

and former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards.

Richardson fell below 5 percent in the New Hampshire primary Tuesday and came in with just 2 percent in the Iowa caucuses last week.

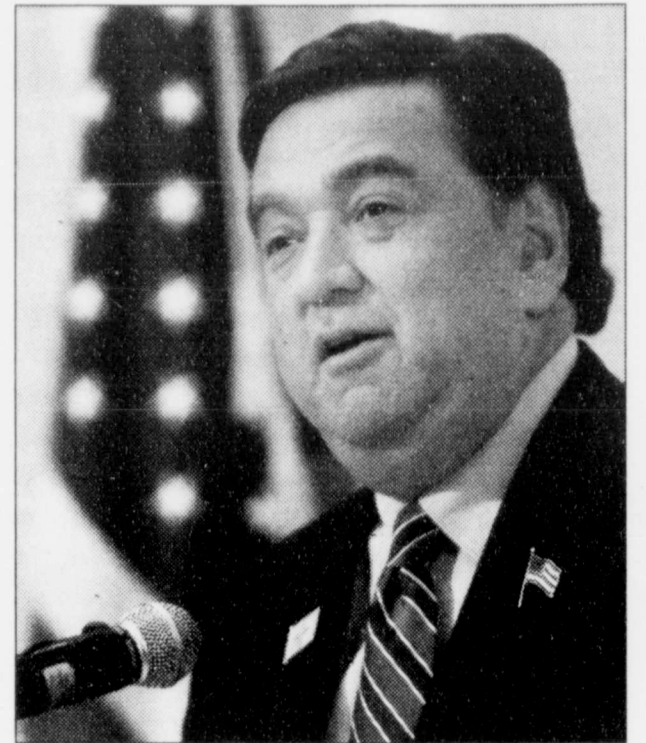
Hillary Clinton called Richardson "a great public servant and a friend."

"He waged a hard-fought and substantive campaign, and helped drive the conversation on the great issues facing our nation. I wish him the best of luck as he continues his outstanding work in New Mexico," she said in a statement.

Edwards also congratulated Richardson, saying he had run a good race.

"He was a very good candidate, a serious candidate," Edwards said in Columbia, S.C. "I congratulate him. He ought to be proud of what he's done. What's happened is, over time the race is becoming more focused. I think that's good for democracy. I think this thing's going on for a long time."

Richardson was easily elected to two terms as governor but will be forced from office by term limits in 2010.



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New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson drops his bid for the Democratic presidential nomination.

New rules for driver's licenses meant to deter terrorists, illegal immigrants

Devlin Barrett

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WASHINGTON — Americans born after Dec. 1, 1964, will have to get more secure driver's licenses in the next six years under ambitious post-9/11 security rules to be unveiled Friday by federal officials.

The Homeland Security Department has spent years crafting the final regulations for the REAL ID Act, a law designed to make it harder for terrorists, illegal immigrants and con artists to get government-issued identification. The effort once envisioned to take effect in 2008 has been pushed back in the hopes of winning over skeptical state officials.

Even with more time, more federal help, and technical advances, REAL ID still faces stiff opposition from civil liberties groups.

To address some of those concerns, the government now plans to phase in a secure ID initiative that Congress passed into law in 2005. Now, DHS plans a key deadline in 2011, and then further measures to be

enacted three years later, according to congressional staffers who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because an announcement had not yet been made. DHS officials briefed legislative aides on the details late Thursday.

The Sept. 11 attacks were the main motivation for the changes.

The hijacker-pilot who flew into the Pentagon, Hani Hanjour, had a total of four driver's licenses and ID cards from three states. The DHS, which was created in response to the attacks, has created a slogan for REAL ID: "One driver, one license."

By 2014, anyone seeking to board an airplane or enter a federal building would have to present a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, with the notable exception of those more than 50 years old, Homeland Security officials said.

The over-50 exemption was created to give states more time to get everyone new licenses, and officials say the risk of someone in that age group being a terrorist, illegal immigrant or con artist is much less.

Survey of lax money controls leads to FBI surveillance shutdown

Lara Jakes Jordan

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WASHINGTON — Telephone companies have cut off FBI wiretaps used to eavesdrop on suspected criminals because of the bureau's repeated failures to pay phone bills on time.

A Justice Department audit released Thursday blamed the lost connections on the FBI's lax oversight of money used in undercover investigations. In one office alone, unpaid costs for wiretaps from one phone company totaled \$66,000.

In at least one case, a wiretap used in a Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act investigation "was halted due to untimely payment," the audit found. FISA wiretaps are used in the government's most sensitive and secretive criminal and intelligence investigations, and allow eavesdropping on suspected terrorists or spies.

"We also found that late payments have resulted in telecommunications carriers actually disconnecting phone lines established to deliver surveillance results to the FBI, resulting in lost evidence," according to the audit by Inspector General Glenn A. Fine.

More than half of 990 bills to pay for telecommunication surveillance in five unidentified FBI field offices were not paid on time, the report shows.

Assistant FBI Director John Miller said wiretaps were dropped only a few times because of the backed-up billing, which he said didn't significantly set back the investigations under way. He said the FBI "will not tolerate financial mismanagement, or worse," and is working to fix the problems.

"While in a few instances, late-payment of telephone bills resulted in interruptions of the timely delivery of surveillance results, these interruptions were temporary and in our assessment, none of those cases were significantly affected," Miller said in a statement Thursday evening.

The report released Thursday was a highly edited version of Fine's 87-page audit that the FBI deemed too sensitive to be viewed publicly. It focused on what the bureau admitted was an

"antiquated" system to track money sent to its 56 field offices nationwide for undercover work. Generally, the money pays for rental cars, leases and surveillance, the audit noted.

The American Civil Liberties Union called on the FBI to release the entire, unedited audit. The group, which has been critical of some of the government's wiretapping programs, also took a swipe at telecommunication companies that allowed the eavesdropping — as long as they are getting paid.

"It seems the telecoms, who are claiming they were just being 'good patriots' when they allowed the government to spy on us without warrants, are more than willing to pull the plug on national security investigations when the government falls behind on its bills," said former FBI agent Michael German, the ACLU's national security policy counsel. "To put it bluntly, it sounds as though the telecoms believe it when the FBI says the warrant is in the mail but not when they say the check is in the mail."

The audit also found that some field offices paid for expenses on undercover cases that should have been financed by FBI headquarters. Out of 130 undercover payments examined, auditors found 14 cases of at least \$6,000 each where field offices dipped into their own budgets to pay for work that should have been picked up by headquarters.

The faulty bookkeeping was blamed, in large part, for an FBI employee who pleaded guilty in June 2006 to stealing \$25,000 for her own use, the audit noted.

"As demonstrated by the FBI employee who stole funds intended to support undercover activities, procedural controls by themselves have not ensured proper tracking and use of confidential case funds," it concluded.

Fine's report offered recommendations to improve the FBI's tracking and management of the funding system, including its telecommunication costs. The FBI has agreed to follow 11 of the suggestions but deemed one recommendation unnecessary.



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Briefs

State

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man stabbed his ex-wife and daughter, killing one of them, then drove to a famous bridge in Pasadena and jumped to his death, police said Thursday.

The identities of the victims were not immediately released.

The man got into an argument with his ex-wife at a home in the Tujunga area of Los Angeles at about 8:45 a.m. and stabbed her and a daughter, Officer Kate Lopez said.

It was unclear which victim was killed or the condition of the survivor, Lopez said.

ROWLAND HEIGHTS (AP) — Authorities say a man apparently shot and wounded two women and then killed himself at a home in the Rowland Heights area of Los Angeles County.

County fire Captain Mike Brown said paramedics found three people with head wounds after a 911 call summoned them to the home at about 7:19 a.m.

The man was described as being in his 50s. One woman is in her mid-40s to early 50s and the other is 26.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Ferry service linking Oyster Point to the East Bay is a step closer to reality after the South San Francisco City Council approved the design for a new ferry terminal.

After the unanimous approval Wednesday night, the head of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Transit Authority said service between Oyster Point and Jack London Square in Oakland could begin by the end of 2009.

National

DETROIT (AP) — A tanker crashed into a guardrail on a highway overpass Thursday, plummeting 30 to 40 feet to the ground where it exploded and caught fire near a home. The cab of the tanker got stuck on the barrier and the driver was killed, police said.

The driver was believed to have been hauling liquid propane, fire spokeswoman Katrina Butler said.

"We don't know if he lost control. There was no wet pavement," Butler said.

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Josue Herrios-Coronilla, 18, drove his black Camaro on the wrong side of the road Wednesday and crashed into the yard of a man who owns four dogs, police said.

Police found crushed bushes, a damaged fence, an inoperable car — and a fresh shoe print in a pile of dog feces.

Following an odoriferous trail down the street, Sgt. Dale Gunter noticed a white van driving toward him. When he asked the passenger to step out, he noticed the smell of alcohol on the man's breath and evidence all over his shoes.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A woman found in her home with the decomposing bodies of four girls faces murder charges, and authorities believe she is their mother, officials said Thursday.

Banita Jacks, 33, was expected to appear Thursday in D.C. Superior Court, where the charges will be formally presented, prosecutors said.

Medical examiner Dr. Marie Pierre-Louis said the bodies were likely there more than 15 days, "based on the insects that were found there."

International

BEIJING (AP) — The Olympic torch relay will make an appearance in Tiananmen Square on the eve of the Beijing Games.

It will arrive in Tiananmen after circling the world and going through every province and region of China in the run-up to the Olympics that start Aug. 8, state television announced Thursday.

"The torch will arrive at Tiananmen Square ... and there will be about 100,000 people to welcome it," Xiang Gongmin, director of the Beijing Cultural Bureau, told China Central Television.

NEW DELHI (AP) — For millions of people in the developing world, Tata Motor's new \$2,500 four-door subcompact — the world's cheapest car — may yield a transportation revolution with as great an impact as Henry Ford's Model T, which rolled off an assembly line one century ago.

The potential impact of Tata's Nano has given environmentalists nightmares, with visions of the tiny cars clogging India's already-choked roads and collectively spewing millions of tons of carbon dioxide into the air.

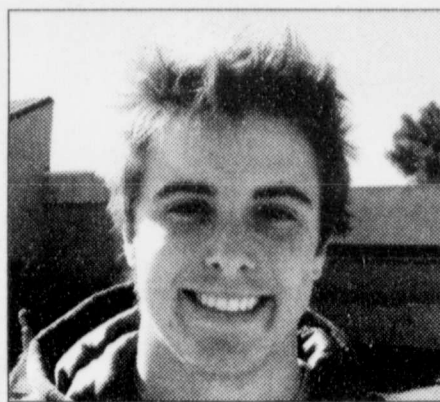
ZAMBARANIYAH, Iraq (AP) — U.S. bombers and jet fighters unleashed 40,000 pounds of explosives on the southern outskirts of Baghdad within 10 minutes Thursday in one of the biggest airstrikes of the war, flattening what the military called safe havens for al-Qaida in Iraq.

The massive attack, carried out above approaching U.S. and Iraqi troops, was part of Operation Phantom Phoenix, a nationwide campaign launched Tuesday against al-Qaida in Iraq.

WORD ON THE STREET

"What do you miss most about winter break?"

Compiled and photographed by Rachel Gellman



"I miss not having to see my teachers' pretty faces each day."

— Jay Freeman,
communication studies
junior



"I miss holiday gatherings."

— Jennifer Atallah,
architecture senior



"My mom cooking me dinner."

— Liz Hermann,
nutrition junior



"I miss sleeping."

— Phil Schieffer,
history senior

Bush predicts Mideast peace treaty before he leaves White House

Anne Gearan

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President Bush, summing up meetings with both sides in the Israeli-Palestinian dispute, said Thursday that a peace accord will require "painful political concessions" by each. Resolving the status of Jerusalem will be hard, he said, and he called for the end of the "occupation" of Arab land by the Israeli military.

"Now is the time to make difficult choices," Bush said after a first-ever visit to the Palestinian territories, which followed separate meetings with Israeli leaders in Jerusalem the day before.

Bush is in the Mideast for eight days, trying to bolster his goal of achieving a long-elusive peace agreement by the end of his presidency in a year. Speaking at his hotel in Jerusalem, he said again that he thinks that is possible.

"I am committed to doing all I can to achieve it," Bush said. Within minutes, Bush's national security adviser Stephen Hadley said the president would return to the Middle East "at least once and maybe more" over the next year. He wouldn't elaborate on possible destinations, but another White House official said Bush is likely to attend Israel's 60th anniversary

celebrations in May.

Bush gave his most detailed summation yet of what a final peace should include, including U.S. expectations for the resolution of some of the hardest issues in the violent conflict, one of the world's longest-running and most intractable. He used tough language intended to put both sides on notice that he sees no reason they cannot get down to serious business, "starting right now."

In his set of U.S. bottom lines were security for Israel, a "contiguous" state for the Palestinians and the expectation that final borders will be negotiated to accommodate territorial changes since Israel's formation. He also suggested international compensation for Palestinians and their descendants who claim a right to return to land they held before Israel's formation.

He made a point of using a loaded term — occupation — to describe Israeli control over land that would eventually form the bulk of an independent Palestinian state. That he did so in Jerusalem underscored that he is trying not to seem partial to Israel.

On borders, Bush said any peace agreement "will require mutually agreed adjustments" to the lines drawn for Israel in the late 1940s. He was referring primarily to Israeli



U.S. President George W. Bush gestures during a media conference with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas.

neighborhoods on disputed lands that Israel would keep when an independent Palestinian state is formed.

Earlier in the day, Bush had said Palestinians deserve better than a "Swiss cheese" state fitted around Israeli land and security bulwarks.

"The point of departure for permanent status negotiations to realize this vision seems clear," he said. "There should be an end to the occupation that began in 1967. The agreement must establish a Palestine as a homeland for the Palestinian people just as Israel is a homeland for the Jewish people."

White House spokesman Gordon Johndroe said Bush was referring to the West Bank when he spoke of oc-

cupation.

Bush offered no specifics to resolve the fate of disputed Jerusalem, but urged both sides to work toward a solution in what he said could be the most difficult issue to settle in a long list of them.

"I know Jerusalem is a tough issue," Bush said. "Both sides have deeply felt political and religious concerns."

"It is vital that each side understands that satisfying the other's fundamental objectives is key to a successful agreement," the president said. "Security for Israel and viability for the Palestinian state are in the mutual interests of both parties."

Hadley said that Bush wasn't announcing new U.S. policy with any

of his statements, but was trying to reiterate the American position all in one place. "The important thing ... is what he's beginning to hear from the Palestinian and the Israeli side," he said.

Bush spent most of his day in the Palestinian West Bank, seeking to counter Palestinians' skepticism about his commitment to Mideast peace.

He undercut that message somewhat by saying it may not be possible to resolve this year the current, violent split in Palestinian leadership — vital to a deal establishing an independent state. The militant group Hamas took over the Gaza Strip in June, meaning the Palestinian people — and the land that could eventually form an independent Palestine — are split between governance by Hamas there and by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah-led government in the West Bank. The president is not stopping in Gaza.

Bush had harsh criticism for Hamas, which does not recognize Israel's right to exist. Hamas, he said, was elected to help improve the lot of Palestinians, but "has delivered nothing but misery."

With his presidency over a year from now, Bush said he knows "I've got 12 months."

Kerry endorses Obama for president, bypassing Clinton, Edwards

Nedra Pickler

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Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, the 2004 Democratic presidential nominee, endorsed Sen. Barack Obama for the White House Thursday in a timely slap at Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton as well as his own vice presidential running mate.

Quoting a black American hero in endorsing the man who hopes to be the first black president, Kerry told a cheering crowd, "Martin Luther King said the time is always right to do what is right." Now is the time, Kerry said, to declare "that Barack Obama can be, will be and should be the next president of the United States."

Kerry delivered his endorsement in South Carolina at a time, two weeks before that state's primary, when Clinton is riding a wave of enthusiasm following her victory over Obama in the New Hampshire primary.

Kerry said there were other candidates in the race whom he also had worked with and respected.

"But I believe more than anyone else, Barack Obama can help our country turn the page and get America moving by uniting and ending the division we have faced," Kerry said.

Kerry dismissed Obama critics who say the Illinois senator lacks the experience to be president. And he took a swipe at Clinton, saying, "Some have suggested in this campaign that Barack is guilty of raising 'false hopes.' ... My friends, the only charge that rings false is the one that tells you not to hope for a better tomorrow."

In last Saturday's debate in New Hampshire, Clinton said in comparing her ability and Obama's to fulfill pledges to bring about change: "I think it is clear that what we need



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Sen. Barack Obama, left, embraces former presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry, after Kerry endorsed and introduced Obama during a rally at the College of Charleston.

is somebody who can deliver change. And we don't need to be raising the false hopes of our country about what can be delivered. The best way to know what change I will produce is to look at the changes that I've already made."

Returning to the subject, Obama said when he took the microphone from Kerry: "In the unlikely story that is America, there has never been anything false about hope."

Former Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina, the third contender in the Democratic presidential race, was Kerry's vice presidential running mate in 2004. Despite their political alliance, the two men were not close personally and differed behind the scenes on campaign strategy in a race that President Bush won.

Edwards responded to word of the endorsement with a diplomatic statement: "Our country and our party are stronger because of John's service, and I respect his decision. When we were running against each other and on the same ticket, John and I agreed on many issues."

Kerry was Obama's political benefactor

once before, selecting the relatively unknown Illinois senatorial candidate to deliver the keynote address at the 2004 Democratic National Convention in Boston. It was Obama's first turn in the national spotlight and helped launch him on a remarkable ascent that has made him one of two leading contenders for the party's presidential nomination only four years later.

The Massachusetts senator lost the South Carolina Democratic primary in 2004 to Edwards.

Kerry and Edwards had their differences during the 2004 campaign over strategy and spending, and Edwards has said he would have been more aggressive in challenging the unsubstantiated allegations of the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth questioning Kerry's military record.

Kerry's endorsement also was a jab at Clinton, the New York Democrat who won the New Hampshire primary after a loss to Obama in the Iowa caucuses.

Kerry had withheld his endorsement, hop-

ing to have an impact on the race and avoid the fate of fellow Democrat Al Gore, the 2000 nominee who endorsed Howard Dean in 2004 shortly before the former Vermont governor's campaign imploded. Gore has made no endorsement so far this year.

While Kerry has been close to Clinton's husband, the former president, he was incensed in 2006 when she chided him after Kerry suggested that people who don't go to school "get stuck in Iraq." Aides said Kerry meant to jab at Bush and say "get us stuck in Iraq," and that he didn't appreciate Clinton piling onto the criticism he was already getting for the remark.

The Republican National Committee pounced on the endorsement to brand Kerry and Obama "liberal soul mates."

Kerry himself had considered running for president in 2008, but that plan fizzled with the botched remark. For many Democrats, his words revived bitter memories of his missteps in 2004, when he lost to Bush.

As for Obama, Kerry gave the young Illinois state senator his first turn in the national spotlight when he chose him to deliver the keynote speech at the 2004 Democratic National Convention. Later that year, Obama won election as a U.S. senator.

Since announcing a year ago he would not make the run, Kerry has prodded Democrats to take a stronger anti-war stance, pushing for troop withdrawal deadlines. In another area, he has backed environmental causes, writing a book with his wife on the issue.

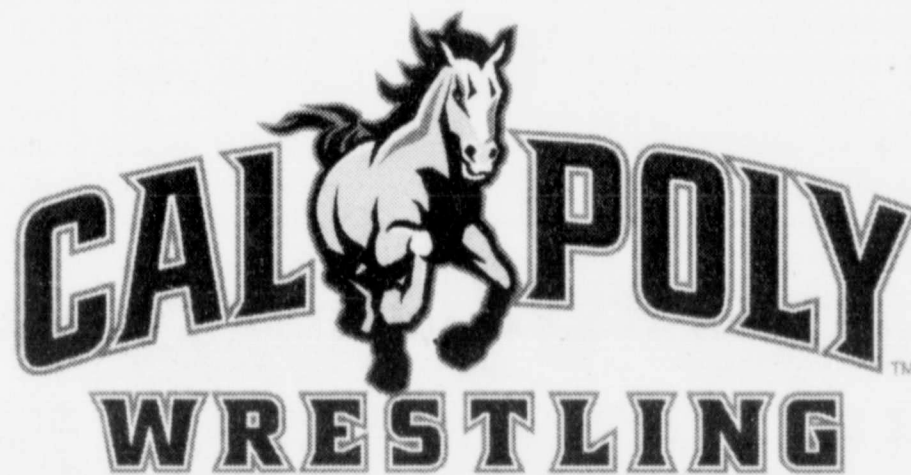
Kerry should be able to provide some organizational and fundraising muscle to Obama.

Since losing the 2004 race, Kerry has kept a national network of supporters intact. He has an e-mail network of 3 million supporters, according to aides. He also has traveled extensively raising millions of dollars for Democratic candidates nationwide.

THIS WEEK IN CAL POLY ATHLETICS



**WOMEN'S HOOPS
VS. UC IRVINE
SATURDAY - 4:00 P.M.**



**CAL POLY VS. ARIZONA STATE
TONIGHT - 7:00 P.M.
CAL POLY VS. BOISE STATE
SUNDAY - 2 P.M.**



**WOMEN'S TENNIS
VS. SANTA CLARA - 10 A.M.
VS. UC SANTA CRUZ - 2 P.M.
THIS SUNDAY - MUSTANG COURTS**

Admission to all Athletic Events is FREE for all Cal Poly Students

Movie guide

film	grade	cast & crew	the big picture
Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG) 86 min.	—	Jason Lee, David Cross, Cameron Richardson, Justin Long, Jane Lynch, Matthew Gray Gubler, Jesse McCartney; directed by Tim Hill	Summary: Unsuccessful songwriter Dave Seville (Lee) stumbles upon three singing, dancing chipmunks — Alvin, Simon and Theodore — in this mix of live-action and computer animated film. Based on the '80s cartoon, the film focuses on the dynamic of the unlikely family on their way to stardom.
Atonement (R) 123 min.	A-	James McAvoy, Keira Knightley, Romola Garai, Saoirse Ronan, Vanessa Redgrave; directed by Joe Wright	Summary: When a girl accuses her sister's lover of a crime he did not commit, the couple's future together is threatened and the girl grows up seeking atonement for her actions. The Good: British acting at its best; Wright's cinematic beauty shines an uncanny experience. The Bad: May be too slow, depressing for some; editing problems from first to second act.
The Bucket List (PG-13) 97 min.	—	Jack Nicholson, Morgan Freeman, Sean Hayes, Beverly Todd, Rob Morrow, Alfonso Freeman, Rowena King; directed by Rob Reiner	Summary: Reiner ("This is Spinal Tap," "The Princess Bride") presents yet another comedy, this time about two terminally ill old men who break out of a hospital and go on the ultimate road trip before they die. While it's hard to miss out on Freeman and Nicholson onscreen together, critics say the film's script is a disaster that not even they can save.
Charlie Wilson's War (R) 97 min.	B+	Tom Hanks, Julia Roberts, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Amy Adams, Ned Beatty; directed by Mike Nichols	Summary: Based on a true story (sadly), the unknown Congressman from Texas known as Charlie Wilson uses what little power he has to help the Afghans defeat the Russians in the 1980s. The Good: Brilliant, witty dialogue from writer Andy Sorkin; Hanks and Hoffman are at their best. The Bad: Roberts' presence is pointless; the film ends before the most important part of the story.
First Sunday (PG-13) 124 min.	—	Ice Cube, Tracy Morgan, Katt Williams, Chi McBride, Malinda Williams, Regina Hall; directed by David E. Talbert	Summary: Best friends Durell (Ice Cube) and LeeJohn (Morgan) are told they must pay off a \$17,000 debt within a week or Durell will lose his son. The pair devise a brilliant plan for doing so — robbing their neighborhood church. Hilarity and encounters with the divine ensue.
I Am Legend (PG-13) 92 min.	B+	Will Smith, Alice Braga, Charlie Tahan, Salli Richardson-Whitfield, Willow Smith; directed by Francis Lawrence	Summary: In this post-apocalyptic tale of zombies and mannequins, Smith plays a military scientist whose cure for cancer turns every human on earth into a computer-generated creature. The Good: Nail-biting action sequences that will make you sweat; inspiring solo job by Smith. The Bad: Special effects are arguably below average; no intellectual aspect whatsoever.
The Kite Runner (PG-13) 128 min.	—	Khalid Abdalla, Homayoun Ershadi, Zekiria Ebrahimi, Ahmad Khan Mahmoodzada, Shaun Toub; directed by Mark Forster	Summary: Based on the best-selling novel by Khaled Hosseini, "The Kite Runner" explores the pain associated with past regrets. Critics say the film adaptation fails to live up to the magic of the beloved novel.
National Treasure: Book of Secrets (PG) 124 min.	B	Nicolas Cage, Jon Voight, Harvey Keitel, Ed Harris, Diane Kruger, Justin Bartha; directed by Jon Turteltaub	Summary: Ben Gates (Cage) and his treasure-seeking friends embark on another adventure, but this time to clear the name of Gates' ancestor who was said to be involved in Abraham Lincoln's murder. The Good: One heck of an adventure; Helen Mirren and Ed Harris are great additions. The Bad: For a mystery, this movie doesn't give viewers any clues along the way.
No Country for Old Men (R) 122 min.	A	Tommy Lee Jones, Javier Bardem, Josh Brolin, Woody Harrelson, Kelly Macdonald; directed by Ethan and Joel Coen	Summary: Evil is personified in Anton Chigurh (Bardem), a man set on hunting down Llewelyn Moss (Brolin) to recover stolen money. Chigurh is tracked by small-town sheriff Ed Tom Bell (Jones). The Good: Flawless acting; plot for both thought-provoking drama lovers and scary movie aficionados. The Bad: Some may not like the debatably appropriate ending.
P.S. I Love You (PG-13) 126 min.	B	Hilary Swank, Gerard Butler, Gina Gershon, Lisa Kudrow, Harry Connick, Kathy Bates; directed by Richard LaGravenese	Summary: Mysterious but much-needed letters from her recently deceased husband, Gerry (Butler), help Holly Kennedy (Swank) slowly piece her life back together again. The Good: A romantic, heartwarming tale told by a top-notch cast. The Bad: Although an interesting twist to the whole love-lost genre, the film is still a bit cliché.
Sweeney Todd (R) 117 min.	B+	Johnny Depp, Helena Bonham Carter, Alan Rickman, Sacha Baron Cohen; directed by Tim Burton	Summary: "Todd" tells a bloody tale of revenge done the old-fashioned way: slitting people's throats as they get their hair cut and then grinding their bodies into meat pies. A delicious tale, indeed. The Good: Depp, Bonham Carter fit perfectly; Burton's cinematography is beautiful and meticulous. The Bad: Some of the old Sweeney tunes are still too depressing for the big screen.
The Water Horse (PG) 111 min.	—	Emily Watson, Alex Etel, Ben Chaplin, David Morrissey, Brian Cox; directed by Jay Russell	Summary: Young Angus discovers a magical egg from which comes the infamous Nessie of Scottish lore. He must face his fears and take on much responsibility as he strives to keep the existence of the Loch Ness creature a secret. Critics agree that "The Water Horse" is a great one for the family and all those young at heart.

FRIDAY SHOWTIMES

Downtown Centre Cinema

The Bucket List 1:15, 3:45, 7:00, 9:45
Atonement 1:50, 4:40, 7:20, 10:10
Charlie Wilson's War 2:20, 4:35, 6:50, 9:05
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The Kite Runner 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00
I Am Legend 2:10, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15

Palm Theatre

The Diving Bell and Butterfly 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
Juno 4:15, 7:00, 9:15
The Orphanage 4:15, 6:45, 9:15

Fremont Theatre

National Treasure: Book of Secrets 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:30
The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything: A Veggie Tales Movie 1:10, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25
First Sunday 2:45, 5:15, 7:35, 9:35
No Country For Old Men 7:50, 10:35
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P.S. I Love You 9:45

'Wilson's War': a look at America's hush-hush past

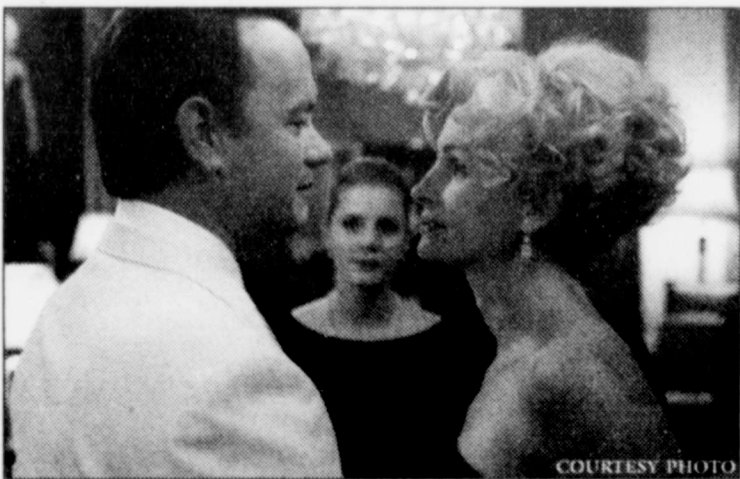
Raiza Canelon
MUSTANG DAILY

Adapted from George Crile's 2003 book, "Charlie Wilson's War: The Extraordinary Story of the Largest Covert Operation in History," and directed by Mike Nichols, the film tells the story of how Charlie Wilson, a congressman from Texas, led the struggle to indirectly provide arms and funding to the Afghan Mujahideen, ultimately defeating the Soviets and their occupation in Afghanistan.

"Charlie Wilson's War" is a whirlwind of political facts and a glimpse at how our country was governed before most current students were conscious of world affairs or even born.

The movie begins by demonstrating to the audience why Wilson (Tom Hanks) is known as "Good Time Charlie." Wilson is in Las Vegas, hanging out with naked strippers and talking business, when he sees Dan Rather on a news broadcast in a turban describing the situation in Afghanistan. From that moment, Wilson becomes increasingly intrigued by the Soviet-occupied country.

Hanks is amazing as the womanizing congressman from Texas. His black cowboy boots ooze male charisma



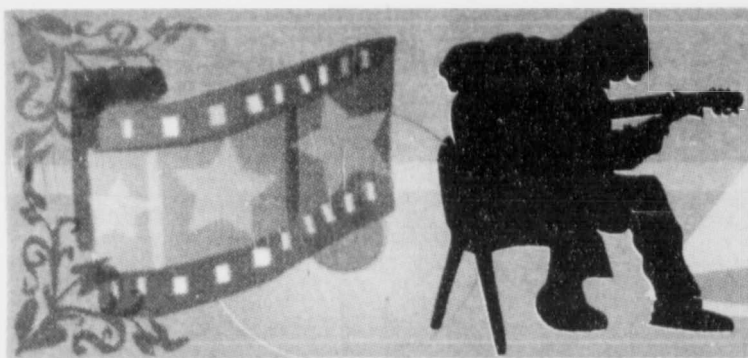
as women throw themselves at him, while men want to befriend him and help his cause.

When a meeting arises between Wilson and anti-communist love interest Joanne Herring (Julia Roberts), she urges him to get involved and visit the refugee camps in Pakistan. Upon seeing the destruction and the people's willingness to fight, Wilson decides he wants to help them.

Wilson then hits a wall when he discovers the CIA's low-profile approach to the situation. Since it is during the Cold War, a blatant action by the United States could cause major repercussions.

Enter Gust Avrakotos (Philip Seymour Hoffman), a bad-ass CIA agent who goes against authority. Avrakotos leads the understaffed Afghanistan team, who helps Wilson find support and ways to destroy the Soviets without getting the U.S. directly involved.

The movie is loaded with historical facts and is not a fast-paced, Soviet-killing thriller. It forces the audience to think about the past and what could have happened if Wilson had not been involved and helped to change the Reagan Doctrine, which aided countries in anti-communist resistance movements.

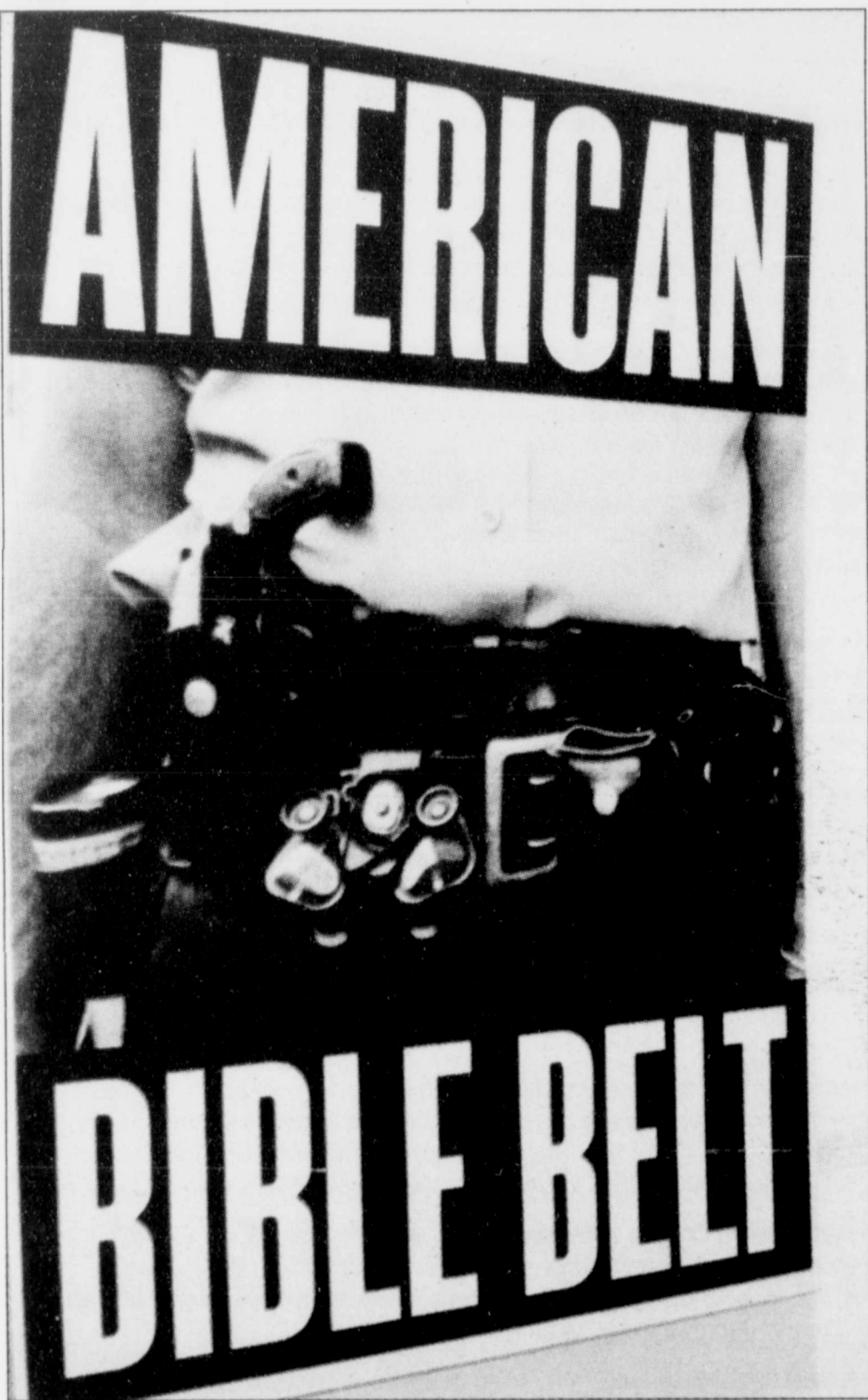


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Dissent as Design

Shannon Boren
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Everyone knows the catchy McDonald's tune featuring the classic slogan "I'm lovin' it." However, few would imagine that by simply changing a word and vertically flipping the iconic golden arches an anti-war slogan could be born.

A red sign with the phrase "I'm bombin' it" beneath a yellow "W" is just one of many featured posters in the "Design of Dissent" exhibit, which opens today in the University Art Gallery.

The show includes several international artists and is comprised primarily of more than 100 posters. It focuses on social and political concerns worldwide in an artistic light.

"It features different issues from a historical standpoint, an educational viewpoint, and also deals with our current situation," said Charmaine Martinez, curator of the exhibit and an art and design professor.

The gallery, located in the Dexter Building, is overwhelming with colorful displays of rebellion and conflict along with the artist's evident desire for social and political change. Most predominant in the display is a strong anti-war sentiment.

A bathtub filled with blood, for instance, is pictured to remind people of the blood bath occurring in Israel, while the bloodshed of Bosnia is symbolized with a simple rusted knife engraved with the country's name.

President Bush is the focus of many posters which question his war tactics, governing ability and overall character. For example, one piece plays off a popular milk campaign, showing him with a black milk mustache and the phrase "Got Oil?"

"The biggest thing for me is that (the show) can possibly be the start of conversation," gallery coordinator Jeff Van Kleeck said. "You can think about these things and have conversations about them instead of just saying, 'This is what you should believe.'"

Though the exhibit does lean more to the left on the political spectrum, its main goal is to inform the public and especially college-aged students of these controversial issues.

"The younger generation is going to define how the future goes more than other demographics, and they are essential to preserving freedom," Martinez said. "There are issues here that people will disagree with — and that's fine — but at least we'll have these discussions."

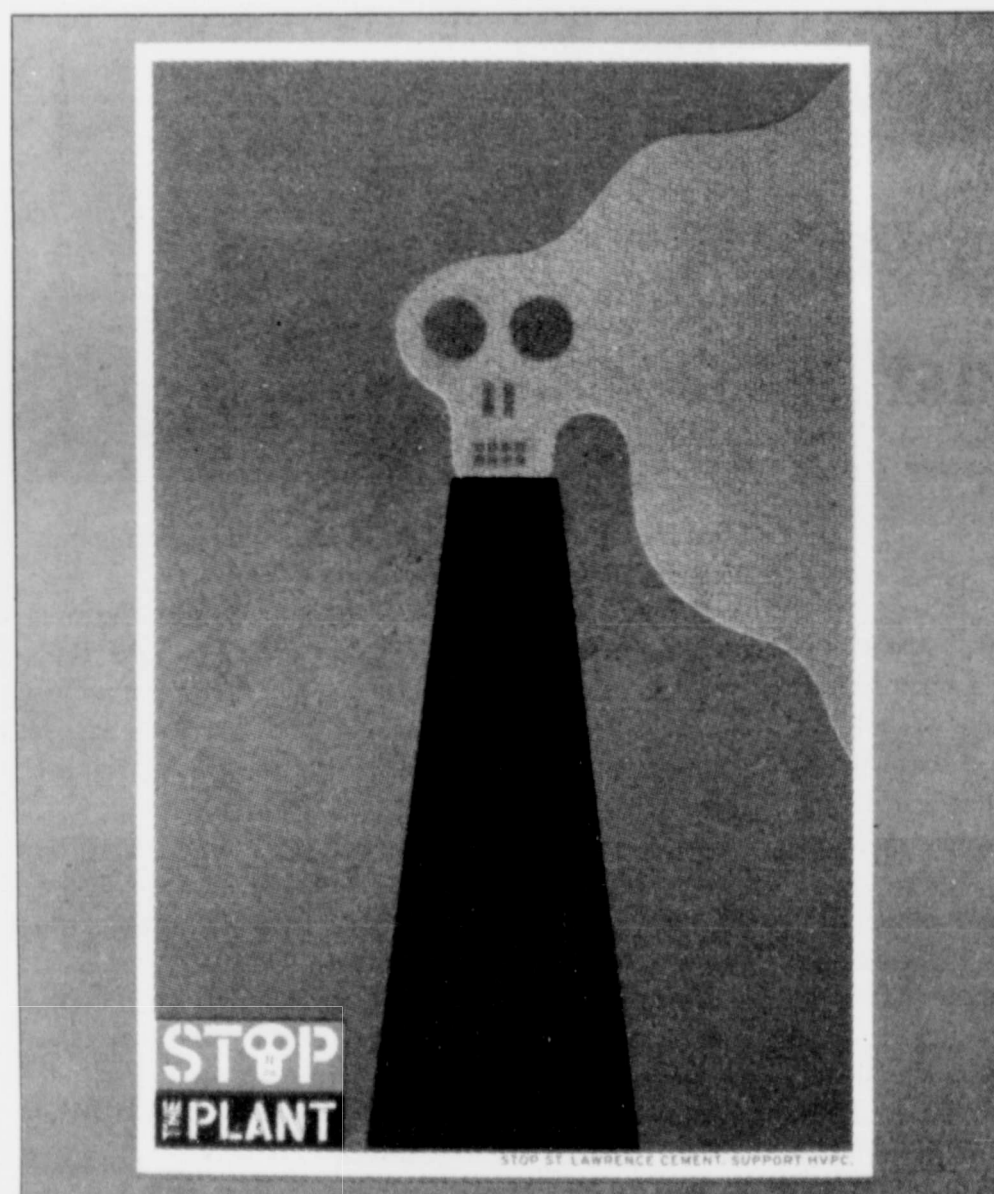
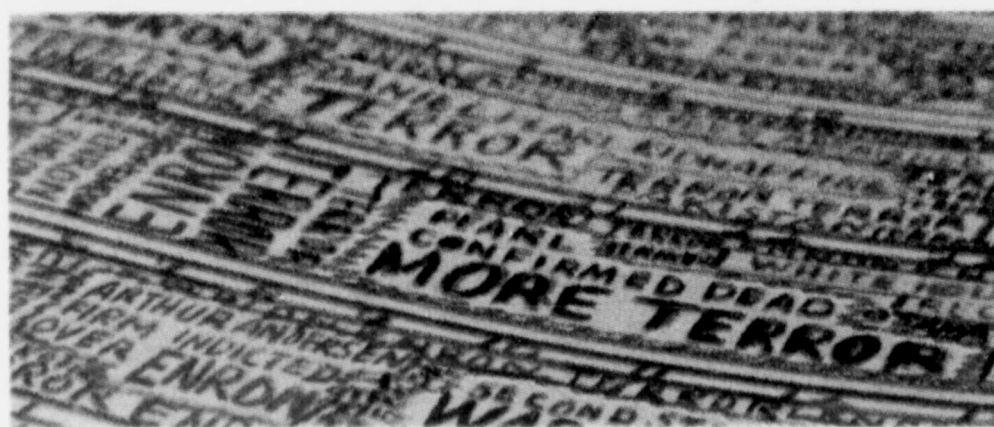
For those less interested in the war debate, there are works that focus on women's rights, government control and an array of other social causes.

Designer, illustrator and author Mirko Ilić created the exhibit based on a book he co-authored titled "The Design of Dissent: Socially and Politically Driven Graphics." He will speak about artists' roles in the communication of political dissent from 5 to 6 p.m. tonight in the Business Building Rotunda (room 213).

Ilić was born in Bosnia and Herzegovina and began his career creating record covers, posters and comics in Europe before moving in 1986 to the United States, where he became art director for the international edition of Time Magazine and The New York Times Op-Ed pages. He currently owns his own company, Mirko Ilić Corp., a graphic design and 3-D graphics and motion picture title studio.

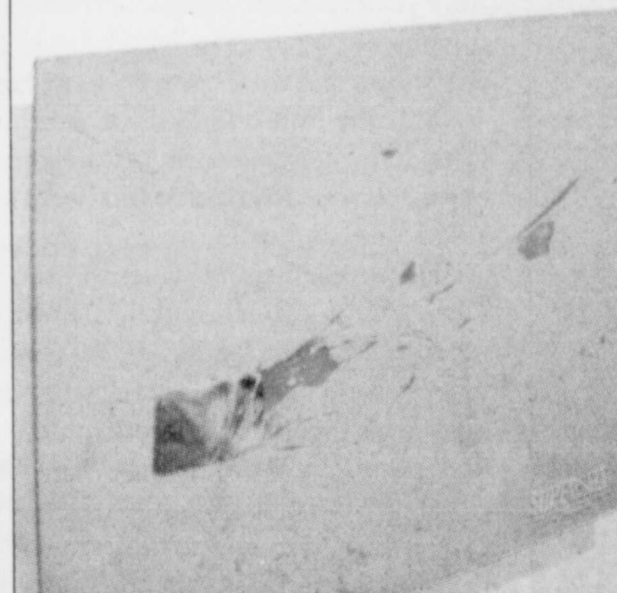
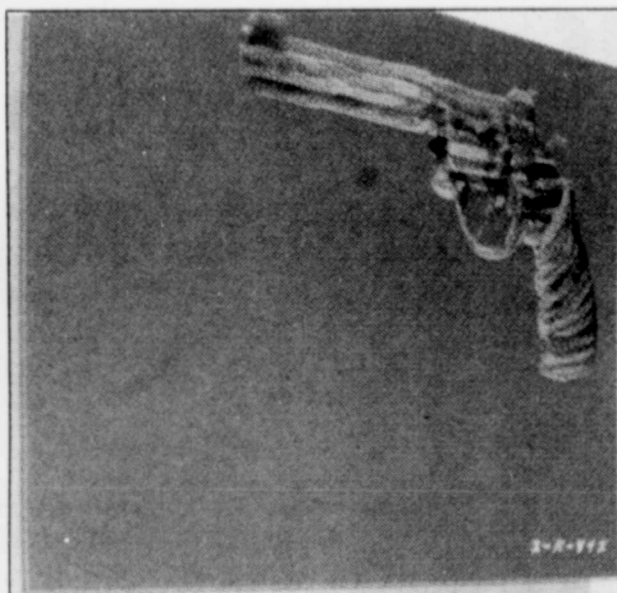
"At Cal Poly, we can get a little bit isolated," Martinez said. "There are probably themes and issues in this show that students are not aware of, but it's important that exposure not be avoided in any society."

The free exhibit will be open tonight from 6 to 8 p.m. and will remain open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, or by special arrangement until Feb. 23.



"Design of Dissent," an exhibit featuring political and social commentary posters by Mirko Ilić opens tonight at the University Art Gallery.

BRYAN BEHLKE MUSTANG DAILY





Pianist and music department chair W. Terrence Spiller will perform a collection new to him at the Spanos Theatre tonight in a recital to benefit the music department.

COURTESY PHOTO

A smorgasbord of repertoire

Brittney Clyde
MUSTANG DAILY

Accomplished pianist and music department chair W. Terrence Spiller will take to the Spanos Theatre stage at 8 tonight for a benefit recital.

Spiller said this recital in particular is different than those he's done in the past because he "can choose to play whatever (he) wants." Spiller said this year he has a "smorgasbord of repertoire" that includes works by Robert Schumann, Francis Poulenc and Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Choosing which pieces to play can be a somewhat difficult task at times, he said, because he must consider how to achieve a certain musical balance throughout the recital. Not all pieces should be bombastic or — on the other end of the spectrum — too soft and demure.

The program will include Schumann's "Arabesque in C Major," Op. 18, "Fantasy in C Major," Op. 17, and Poulenc's "Les Soirées de Nazelles." Ending the program will be Rachmaninoff's "Liebesleid" and "Liebesfreud," transcriptions of pieces by violinist Fritz Kreisler.

Spiller said he chose these particular pieces because "there needs to be some variety of style and language, and these pieces fit together."

To prepare for the concert, Spiller said he practiced a lot. Interestingly enough, he hasn't performed any of these pieces before and had decided this year he would choose an entirely new collection of pieces to play.

Spiller's main goal for this event is to "enjoy playing the pieces and hopefully have the audience enjoy them as well."

All proceeds from the recital will go toward the Cal Poly Music Department Fund. The recital is sponsored by the Music Department and College of Liberal Arts. Tickets to the recital are \$6 for students and senior citizens and \$10 for the public.

Passafire's musical fusion works nicely

Eli Jabbe
THE DAILY COUGAR (U. HOUSTON)

Georgia band Passafire is influenced by several distinct styles of music that combine to create their sound. The band's album "Submersible," released on Law Records, has elements of reggae and rock, and manages to blend the two styles nicely.

"When writing songs, we wanted to make it reggae music, but also make it sound progressive, because a lot of bands do reggae and rock and mix them, but I feel Passafire is pushing the boundaries of genres," keyboardist Adam Willis said. "It lets people know that you can do a lot with that combination."

The first song on the album, "Divide," exemplifies that combination. Ted Bowne sings in the first verse, "All I really need is just some room to breathe/ Some space to separate what has been conceived/ They say we're making our way, our way to an early grave/ With some dues to pay, and resolution seems so far away."

Interestingly, there is a divide in the styles of this song's production as well. During the verses, the vibe is that of a vintage reggae song, but the chorus features louder drums and guitars than accompany your typical rock song. This song is one that stands out on "Submersible."

Rather than make every song in this style, which would have been repetitive, Passafire changes the formula, such as on "Bell Jar." The elements of reggae are subtler, and for the most part this is almost strictly a rock song featuring memorable quotes. "Keep on telling yourself it's not true/ Keep on telling yourself it's you/ Eyes can be fooled only so long/ With repetition of fiction," Bowen sings.

Passafire wins with this album because it finds different ways to write music in the reggae-rock style instead of producing repetitive numbers. It also features many songs that are conducive to being played live, which suggests they put on a great show.

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"It looks like he has a knee in his neck..."

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Don't be a climate refugee

CRACK!
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"Oohs," "ahhs" and the clicking of digital cameras are common sounds heard along the viewing boardwalk of the 60-meter tall crumbling Perito Moreno glacier in southern Argentina. During the spring and summer months, thousands of adventurers from all over the world travel to Patagonia in southern Chile and Argentina to catch a glimpse of these magnificent living pieces of ice.

A few weeks ago, I had the opportunity to travel to Patagonia and witness firsthand what scientists have been talking about for years. Greenhouse gases, created mainly from the combustion of carbon based fossil fuels, are warming the climate of our planet. This warming is causing glaciers and ice caps to melt at rapid rates.

Now, I understand that glaciers melt in the summer and grow during winter and that most of what I saw was normal seasonal thawing. But according to an experienced local guide in the Torres del Paine National Park in Chile, the melting (and lack of growing) of the "Grey Glacier" in recent years is far from normal. This popular trekking destination is now receding more than 15 meters per year, worrying scientists, locals and travelers.

As distant as the southern tip of South America may seem, Cal Poly students and their families are far from being isolated from the consequences of the melting ice.

Who exactly will be affected by the rising sea levels you ask? Is anyone from San Francisco, Oakland, Union City, San Mateo or Foster City? How about Santa Monica, Newport Beach, Coronado or San Diego? Well, what if I told you that a relatively conservative estimate of just a couple meters of sea level rise will put these cities largely underwater by mid-century. See for it yourself at www.architecture2030.org/current_situation/cutting_edge.html

OK, enough with the scare tactics because, be-

lieve it or not, it's not you or your families that I am worried about. America will likely be fine. We live in a wealthy country that will build levees and barricades to keep us nice and dry when the water rises. (I hope!)

It's the coastal communities in Third World countries that I'm worried about. The impoverished villages already struggling to survive each day will be the ones who feel the real wrath of climate change.

For example, one meter of sea level rise will displace more than 13 million people from the impoverished country of Bangladesh and threaten their rice fields, which are the country's staple food source and cash crop.

In the south Pacific, New Zealand is expected to contain the world's first climate refugees by the middle of the century. With an average height of just a couple of meters, the tiny, poor island of Tuvalu and its 11,000 native people are being forced out of their own land because of rising sea levels from global warming.

While industrialized countries account for about 80 percent of the world's historic carbon dioxide emissions, it is clear that the poorest nations will suffer the most severe consequences of climate change.

Luckily for us, we can still preserve the beautiful glaciers of Patagonia, and give a break to developing nations if we (as the largest polluters in the world) take aggressive action to reduce greenhouse emissions in the next couple of years. With California's presidential primary less than a month away, we have the chance to elect candidates who have bold plans (in both parties) to lead us to a clean, carbon-free future. So go ahead and get registered, get educated, and vote on Feb. 5 so you and your families never become "climate refugees."

Chad is an industrial engineering senior, president of the Empower Poly Coalition and a Mustang Daily columnist.



Chad Worth pointing out a receding glacier while on his recent trip to South America.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Government should defend all citizens equally

Webster's New World Dictionary defines bigotry as "intolerance; prejudice." Discrimination is defined as "a showing of partiality or prejudice in treatment; specif., action or policies directed against the welfare of minority groups." While it is true that bigotry, as a belief system, can't be regulated, I believe that our government has a responsibility to represent and defend equally the rights of all citizens. Passivity and silence has never been effective tools to fight bigotry and prejudice, for either

governments or private citizens. Our government's engagement in the protection and defense of minority groups was never intended to change anyone's belief system, but to protect the rights of minority groups, which is a proper function of government.

Linda Stark

Advancement Services staff

James Koman's column 'disturbingly hateful'

Hi Mustang Daily! I was just wondering what kind of action Cal Poly is taking against you for printing such a blatantly racist article entitled "Why I hate white people." What? No action? Oh OK, good, because I was wondering where I go to submit my "I hate brown people" and my "I hate black people" article.

Surely that's also OK since the Mustang Daily has obviously become a paper for printing racist propaganda and ignorance, right?

Mustang Daily, you should be ashamed of yourself for printing such a disturbingly hateful article. One item mentioned that struck a personal cord was the denial of recognizing heritage. Nationally, I am an American. Heritage-wise, I am Irish and Italian and damn proud of both. By James Koman's logic, no one should be able to describe themselves as Mexican or Argentinian, African-American or Kenyan. What kind of reputation do you want, Mustang Daily? Because articles like this make people lose all faith in you.

Kyle Rosso

History freshman



I want my time back as well. Way to spout off random reasons why you hate an entire "race" of people over some bad experiences. You had no new ideas or valid arguments, just dribble. This article is an example of why I can't stand stupid people.

— Josh

Response to "Why I hate white people"

I found nothing in this "article" funny. I sincerely hope that trash like this is not published in the future.

— Doug

Response to "Why I hate white people"

Welcome to the real world, kids. My children (and a lot of my money) have gone to CP for the last eight years. My son sent me an e-mail with this column and I am just numb. While there are worse ways to learn about racism, I can't see why the staff and editors at the Mustang Daily let this rubbish go to print. If this doesn't make you sick to your stomach, you weren't raised right, no matter what color you are.

— Dave

Response to "Why I hate white people"

Last time I checked, most white people were of European descent, maybe I missed the "White" country while I was ditching geography eating McDonald's. I WILL be sure to remember your full name later in life, you WILL regret putting your name on this crap article later child.

— Dave

Response to "Why I hate white people"

This is a disgrace to the humor column. Bring back "Mike's Guide to Life!"

— Tom

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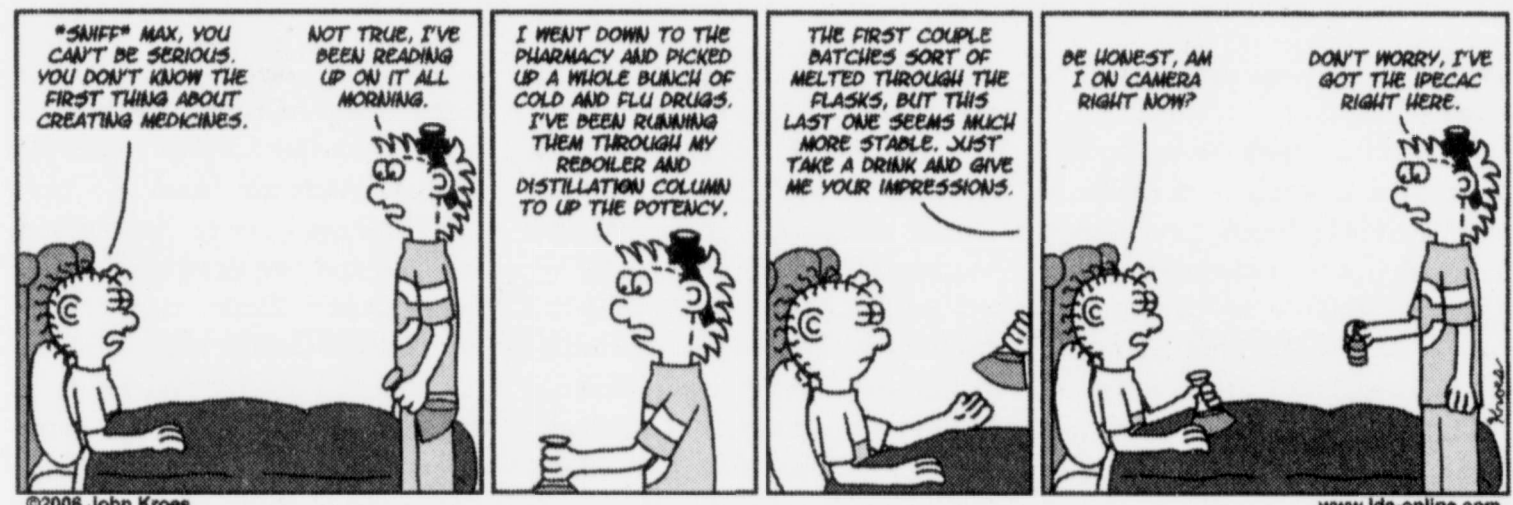
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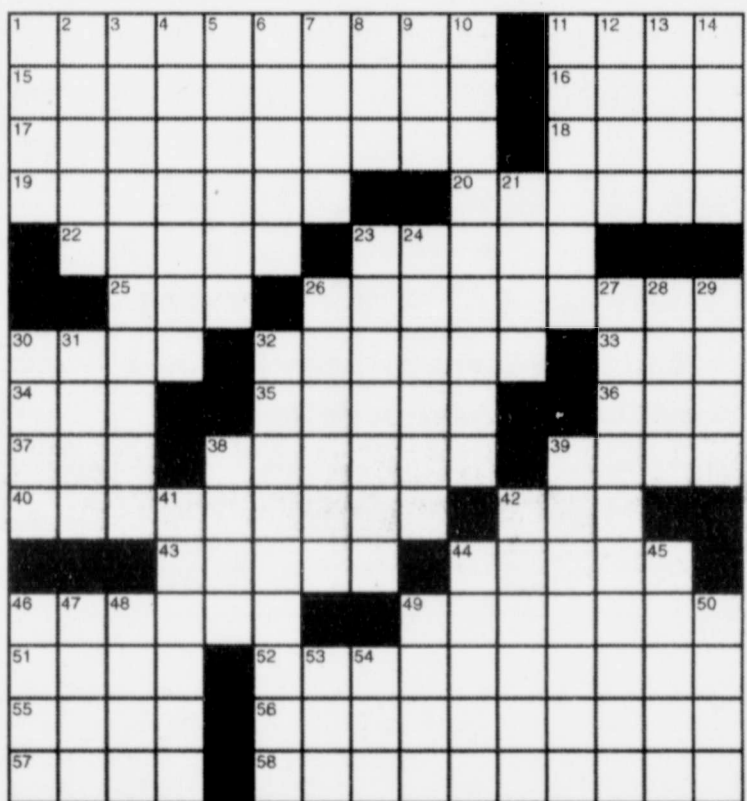
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- Across**
- 1 Show signs of improvement
 - 11 Second in a series
 - 15 Indication of stress
 - 16 1,575-mile river known to some locals as the Zhayyq
 - 17 "Well, duh!"
 - 18 Hitch
 - 19 Supra
 - 20 Syrup of ____
 - 22 Caustic
 - 23 Sci-fi author McIntyre
 - 25 Bad ____ German resort
 - 26 With eyes open
 - 30 Mr. Levy of 1920s Broadway fame
 - 32 Holders of big pads
 - 33 Marker
 - 34 W.S.J. subjects
 - 35 "It's ____!" ("You're on!")
 - 36 Alt. spelling
 - 37 Slam
 - 38 Dictionary data
 - 39 Minimal change
 - 40 Cloth workers?
 - 42 Big-league
 - 43 Sculptor Oldenburg
 - 44 Dive
 - 46 Game craze of the late 1980s and '90s
 - 49 Direct
 - 51 Island nicknamed the Gathering Place
 - 52 Jump the gun
 - 55 Senior moment?
 - 56 One who's happy when things look black
 - 57 Blunt
 - 58 Undergo a change of habit?
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 - 5 Queues
 - 6 Name on a bottle of Beyond Paradise
 - 7 Sch. staffer
 - 8 French pronoun
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 - 14 Pianist Templeton
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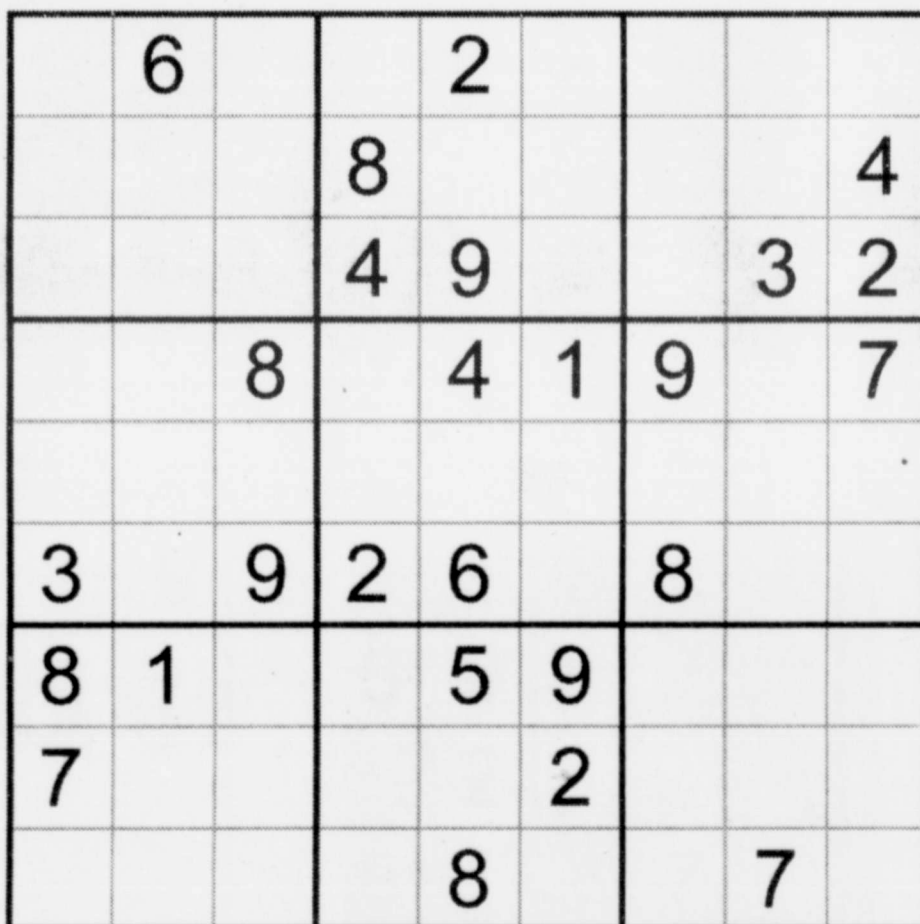
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Philip Rivers leads Bolts against Colts

Bernie Wilson
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SAN DIEGO — One starting quarterback on Sunday will be leading the defending Super Bowl champions. He was MVP of that game, as well as a two-time NFL MVP earlier this decade.

The other guy? He just got his first playoff win.

Welcome to Philip Rivers' world. He'll lead the San Diego Chargers into Sunday's divisional-round play-off game against Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts, relishing the underdog role.

It's one thing to throw 292 yards and the go-ahead touchdown in a 17-6 win over the sixth-seeded Tennessee Titans.

Now he's going to be compared with Manning, and he's going to be tested by safety Bob Sanders, the NFL Defensive Player of the Year.

"Barring something crazy, we're going to be the underdogs from here on out as far as that goes,"

Rivers said.

That's fine with Rivers, the Chargers' second-year starter.

"Any team can win it all and any team can get beat as we found out here last year as the one seed. The Colts were in our position last year now as the three seed. Pittsburgh, a couple years ago they were the six seed. I think at this point, why not us? We're going to go with that frame of mind. We're going to go in confident but obviously knowing the challenge that's ahead of us."

Rivers has never lacked confidence since coming into the league as the fourth overall pick, and he carried

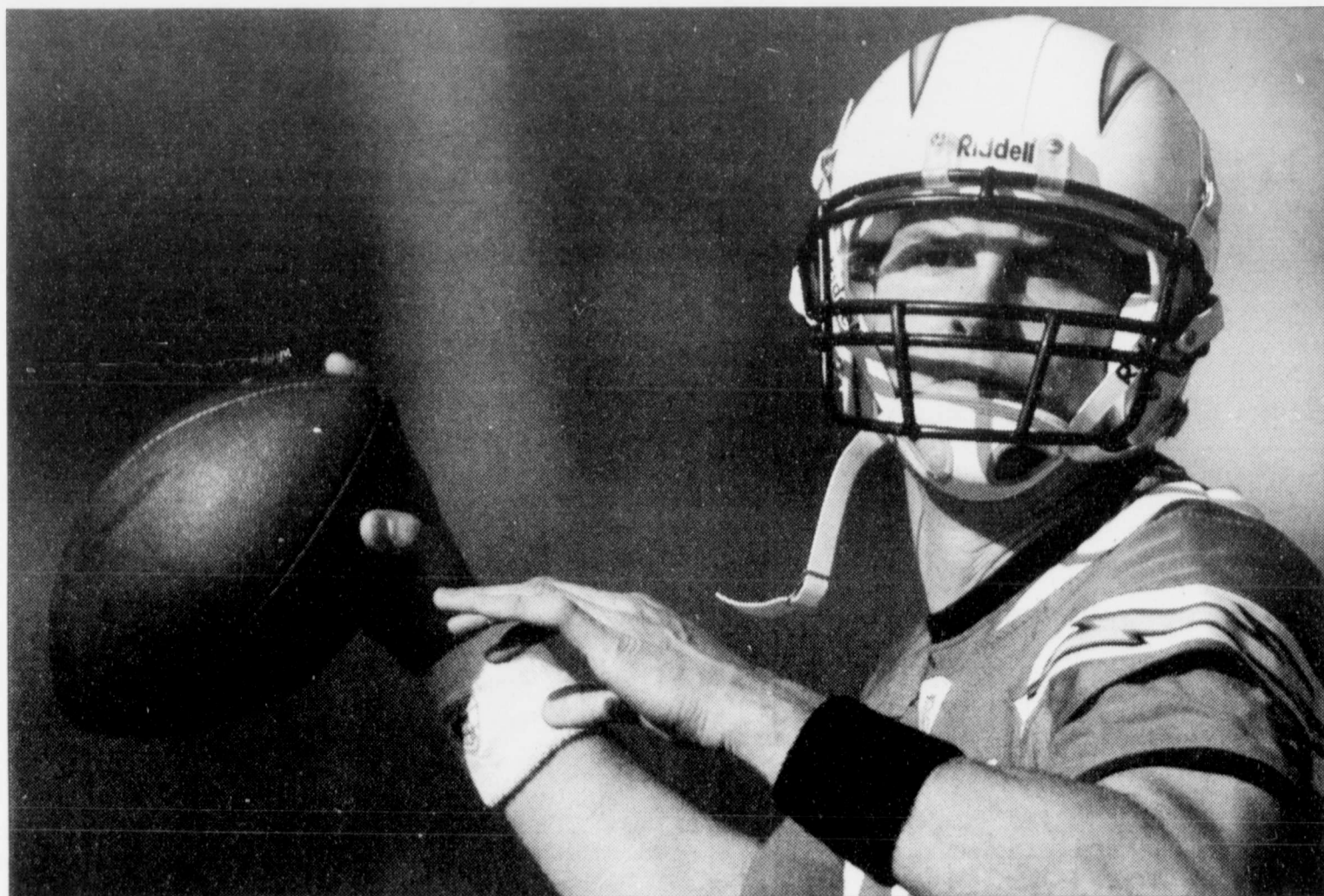
a big load in the wild-card win.

The Titans loaded up against LaDainian Tomlinson and forced Rivers to beat them. He did.

"His confidence is going to be higher," Tomlinson said. "The momentum of going into this playoff game is going to be a big thing for us. We are coming off a fresh win last week. Keeping that momentum of playing football and not

Barring something crazy, we're going to be the underdogs from here on out...

— Philip Rivers
Chargers quarterback



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San Diego quarterback Philip Rivers passed for 292 yards in the Chargers' 17-6 win over Tennessee on Sunday.

taking any time off, that's going to help us.

"Obviously they have the advantage in experience. I certainly don't see Philip being shaken up at all. That's not his style to show any lack of confidence. It's because he's the son of a coach. That goes back to his roots. That's just the way he is. His dad did a great job of just keeping him focused. Even when things aren't going well, he's always been able to keep confident. That's huge for a quarterback."

It's been an up-and-down season for Rivers. He's played well at times, but he's also struggled.

He was booed at home several times during the season by fans

whose expectations were sky-high after a 14-2 finish in 2006.

Playing well against the Titans certainly helped, but coach Norv Turner said it wasn't as if Rivers had been doing horribly.

"If I had doubts, or if Philip had doubts or if any of his teammates had doubts then that performance would be good for all of us," Turner said. "I don't have any doubts about Philip and our players don't have any doubts and I know he doesn't have any doubts. He's had parts of games like that throughout the entire year. He's had games like that throughout this year and that wasn't a surprise to me."

In losing their two previ-

ous playoff games, the Chargers weren't able to control their emotions. They did a much better job of that against the Titans.

"I think too, once the ball gets snapped and you get going, it's the same game," Rivers said. "Nothing really changes. I do think we handled the preparation going in. I think from an emotional standpoint we handled that a lot better on Sunday. I think now once you get one under your belt and you see that hey it is a game just like the first 16 were, I think it'll help our approach again this week. We know the task is tough but I think we'll have the right mind-set going in."

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er in the Football Championship Subdivision, was part of the Philadelphia Eagles practice squad for the final five weeks of the regular season.

Prior to that, the leading tackler at the 2007 East-West Shrine All-Star Game played in the preseason for the Oakland Raiders before being one of their last cuts heading into the regular season.

He will officially join Indianapolis in April.

Two other former Mustangs, defensive back Courtney Brown, now with the Dallas Cowboys, and wide receiver Kasim Osgood, currently a special-teams ace with the San Diego Chargers, will join their teams in the playoffs this weekend.

Brown, whose Cowboys kick off at home against the New York Giants at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, had five tackles in their last three regular-season outings.

After the Cowboys' 28-23 win over the Washington Redskins on Nov. 18, Cowboys star wide receiver Terrell Owens gave a game ball to Brown for his special-teams stop of Antwan Randle El on a punt return with less than a minute to play.

On the West Coast, meanwhile, Osgood, who set Cal Poly single-game records with 17 catches for 376 yards in a 43-41 loss to Northern Iowa on Nov. 4, 2000, made 11 tackles this season for San Diego, which plays at Indianapolis at 10 a.m. Sunday.

He was named in December to his second straight AFC Pro Bowl squad, with which he will participate as a special teams specialist in Honolulu at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 10.

Volleyball team picks up two prep stars

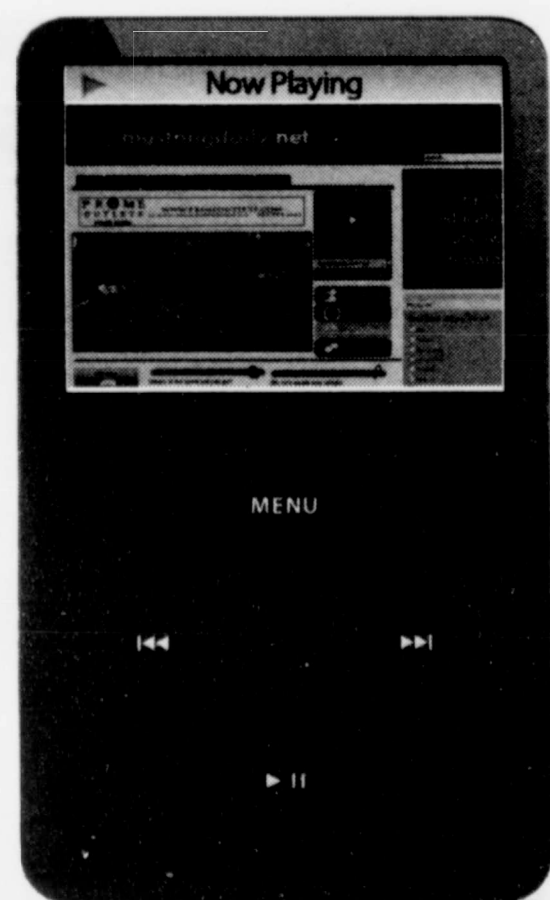
The Cal Poly volleyball team has added to the future of its looming lineup.

Caitlin Smith, a 6-foot-1 outside hitter from Brea Olinda High in Brea, and Anicia Santos, a 6-foot-1 middle blocker from Summit High in Frisco, Colo., have signed national letters of intent to play for Cal Poly, Mustangs head coach Jon Stevenson recently announced.

Smith, a four-year starter at the prep level, was an All-Century League First Team selection in 2007.

Santos, respectively, was recently selected to play for the USA Youth National Team on its tour of Eastern Europe.

Five starters should return for the Mustangs next season, as should their top six kill leaders.



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Tennis

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everybody a chance to start," Bream added.

In spite of all the fall success, Blalock feels the Mustangs can better their overall performance.

"We're going to jump up many levels," Blalock said, adding that she would like to maintain a high level of consistency in order to contribute to the team's goal of winning a Big West Conference championship.

Blalock and Wong could indeed improve upon their "outstanding" falls, Bream said.

"As far as what they can improve, I think consistency day-to-day, continuing to improve first-serve percentage, their aggressiveness at the net and the ability to get return serves in play in a strong spot, point after point," he said.

In the fall, Blalock and Wong boasted a number of impressive wins on their way to a 9-3 mark.

At the Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American Championships spanning from Sept. 30 to Oct. 7, the pairing made it to the third

round of qualifying competition. In the tournament's pre-qualifying round they edged its top seed, Georgia Tech, featuring 23rd-ranked singles player Kristen Flower, 8-6.

In the second round of qualifying play, Blalock and Wong came up with an 8-3 rout of then-No. 14 Texas Christian's Anna Sydorska and Macall Harkins.

The round's No. 1 seed, USC's Amanda Fink and Gabrielle Niculescu, held off the Mustangs two-some, 8-6.

Blalock (7-2), who enters the campaign as the region's No. 15 singles player, concluded her individual fall season by losing 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 at the Cal Poly Open on Nov. 18 to Brazil's Ana Clara, then No. 46 in the world amongst junior singles players, and 418th overall.

Wong (6-3) comes into the spring as the 30th-ranked singles player in the region.

Cal Poly's Shannon Brady and Amy Markhoff (2-1), meanwhile, enter the season ranked 13th in the region in doubles.

After their opening matches, the Mustangs will travel to Pepperdine for a 1 p.m. start Jan. 20.

Pistons click on all cylinders in possible Finals preview

Elizabeth White
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — Rasheed Wallace had 23 points and 15 rebounds and the Detroit Pistons bounced back from a loss the previous night to beat the San Antonio Spurs 90-80 on Thursday.

Richard Hamilton scored 18 points for Detroit, and Tayshaun Prince added 17 to help the Pistons hand the Spurs their third home loss of the season and second in a row.

Tim Duncan had 24 points and 15 rebounds for San Antonio, and Tony Parker added 12 points as he struggled from the field, going 4-of-13.

Detroit snapped a two-game losing streak that followed an 11-game winning streak.

The Pistons lost 102-86 in Dallas on Wednesday night.

The marquee matchup between the defending champion Spurs, currently second in the West, and the 2004 champion Pistons, second in the East, looked more like a dud for most of the night.

Not only were the Spurs having trouble creating offense, partly because they couldn't hold onto the ball and committed 15 turnovers, they weren't getting stops, either.

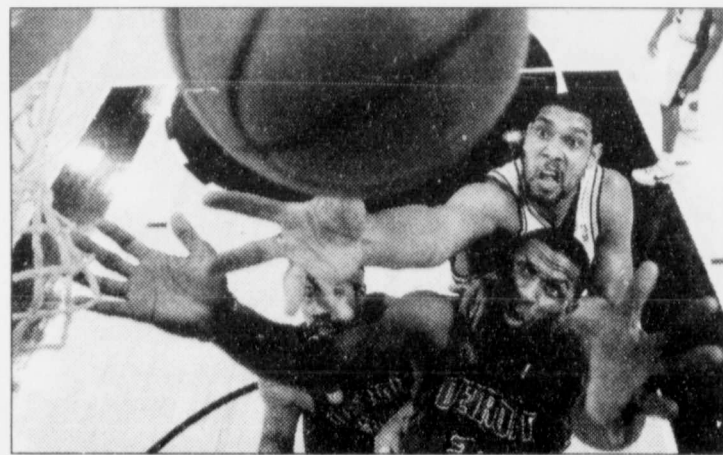
The Pistons had their way with San Antonio nearly every trip down the court. Whether cutting to the basket or hitting long jumpers and a couple of 3s, Detroit built its lead to as many as 20 points. The Pistons kept the lead for good after going ahead 16-15 with 3:30 left in the first quarter off of Hamilton's fast-break layup.

The Spurs were within nine with a quarter to play after closing in during the third, but Detroit built the lead back up to 14.

Lindsey Hunter's fast-break layup, before which he looked back to see that he was all alone and could slow it down on the way to the basket, gave Detroit a 78-64 lead with 6:08 to play.

Parker's 3-point play brought San Antonio within nine, and a free throw from Manu Ginobili as Antonio McDyess fouled out made it 82-74 with 2:30 to go.

But Chauncey Billups hit an easy, and key, layup off



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San Antonio's Tim Duncan, top, vies for the ball with Detroit's Antonio McDyess Thursday night.

a pass from Hamilton to put Detroit up again by 10. Wallace hit another easy layup with 1:30 to go to give Detroit an 88-76 lead and put the game away.

After that, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich took out most of his starters.

Detroit went on a 16-0 run over 3:30 to close the first quarter, and by the end of the period had scored twice as many points as the Spurs and were up 30-15.

The Pistons stayed ahead by the same margin by the end of the second as they held a commanding 54-39 halftime lead over the struggling Spurs, who scored consecutive baskets just once during the second quarter and were outrebounded 18-14 in the half.

By the time 2:41 was left on the clock in the third, the Spurs cut their deficit to single digits for the first time since late in the opening period after being down by as many as 20 earlier.

Duncan further reduced the margin, to 63-56, with his dunk off a pass from Manu Ginobili.

Indeed it was Duncan, the only San Antonio in the double digits by the time three quarters were gone, who kept the Spurs alive. He had 10 points in the third.

By contrast, Detroit was leveling a balanced attack on the home team. Hamilton, Wallace and Prince combined for 46 points for Detroit heading into the fourth quarter, when Detroit started out with a 67-58 advantage.

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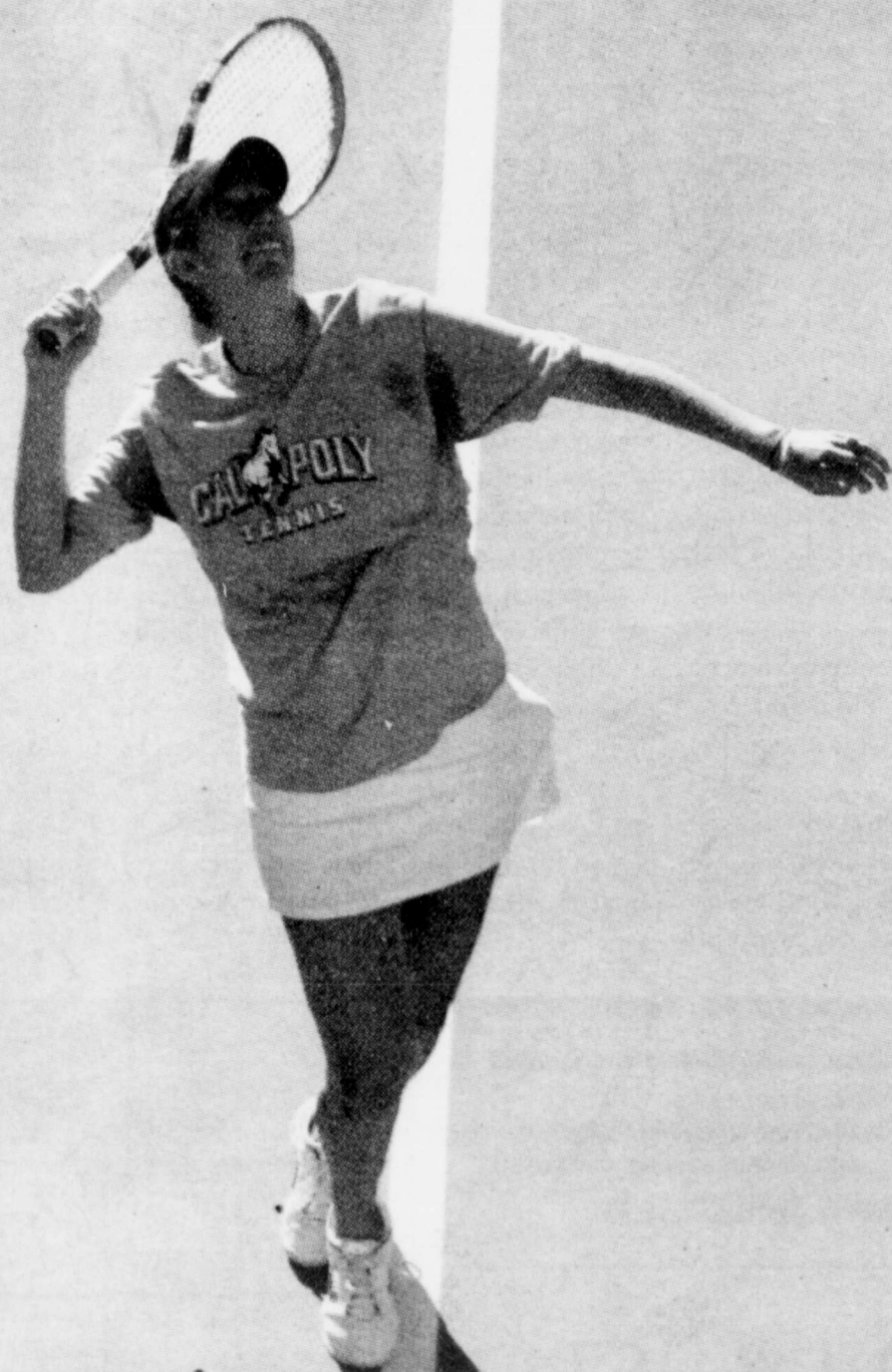
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Talented tennis tandem leads Poly into spring season

Wong, Blalock try to pick up where they left off in fall



Donovan Aird
MUSTANG DAILY

They sparred with some of the best competition the country — and in one case, the world — had to offer in the fall, and now, the Cal Poly women's tennis team will look to build upon that success, starting at home.

The Mustangs, led by the sophomore duo of Brittany Blalock and Steffi Wong, host Santa Clara at 10 a.m. and then UC Santa Cruz at 2 p.m. Sunday at Mustang Courts in their first action of the spring season.

"It's not something you do a lot during the regular season," Cal Poly head coach Hugh Bream said of scheduling the doubleheader. "It's normally something you do a lot of in the fall and tournaments where you might be playing two doubles matches and two singles matches the same day, as many as three or four days in a row."

Santa Clara in particular, Bream said, poses an introductory challenge for the Mustangs, whose top doubles team, Blalock and Wong, is currently No. 3 in the Northwest Region, ahead of Cal's and Stanford's best doubles combinations.

A season ago, the meeting between Santa Clara and Cal Poly came under a rain delay and didn't finish.

"We're expecting both (Santa Clara and UC Santa Cruz) to come out and play us tough," Bream said. "Santa Clara we've always had really close matches with, and it's a great rivalry."

The Banana Slugs, a nationally ranked Division III team, should provide "an opportunity for some players to play two singles and two doubles the same day, and for

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GRAIG MANTLE MUSTANG DAILY

Sophomore Brittany Blalock lobs the ball before serving at the Cal Poly Open on Nov. 18.

MUSTANG Roundup

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Men's basketball team's rally comes up short

The Mustangs' bid to win their second straight Big West Conference game didn't materialize at Cal State Fullerton Thursday night, as they fell 78-64 at Titan Gym.

After leading 37-33 at the half, the Titans reeled off an 18-2 run to give themselves a 55-35 advantage with about 13 minutes left.

Cal Poly, though, cut the lead to 69-64 on a Shawn Lewis 3-pointer with 2:35 left, but on the ensuing trip down the court, the Titans answered with a trey of their own, and the Mustangs got no closer.

Matt Hanson scored a game-high 22 points on 10-of-15 shooting and pulled down six rebounds for Cal Poly (6-9, 1-2 Big West Conference).

Titus Shelton added 10 points in the loss.

Josh Akognon led the Titans (10-4, 3-0 BWC) with 21 points. Twelve of them came in the opening half.

Cal Poly will try to get back in the win column at UC Irvine at 7 p.m. Saturday.

Wrestlers looks to hand Sun Devils first loss of season

Cal Poly hasn't beaten Arizona State in three seasons, but will get another shot at Mott Gym tonight.

Leading the Mustangs (3-3, 2-1 Pac-10) into the conference dual meet are Chad Mendes (16-0), ranked third in the country at 141 pounds, and Chase Pami, slotted tenth at 157.

The Sun Devils (8-0, 2-0 Pac-10), meanwhile, carry a trio of top-25 grapplers into the 7 p.m. contest.

Senior Pat Pitsch, ranked No. 10 at 165 is the most highly touted of the three, followed by freshman Brent Chiswell, No. 16 at 184, and freshman Anthony Robles, 19th at 125.

Pitsch, Mustangs assistant coach Sammie Henson said, will be "a hard task for Ryan Williams."

Robles, who wrestles with one leg, can seem like a heavier force, Henson said.

"He's unbelievable," Henson added. "He's more like a 175-pounder. When he gets on top of you and gets a hold of you, you're in trouble."

In the second half of a two-match, conference home stand, the Mustangs will host No. 25 Boise State (2-0) at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Freshman Adam Hall, No. 12 at 149, and Tyler Sherfey, No. 12 at 157, lead the Broncos.

Shotwell catches on with Colts, other former Mustangs make mark in NFL playoffs

Leading up to the most recent NFL Draft, the Indianapolis Colts were reportedly one of the teams to show the most interest in Kyle Shotwell.

As of Wednesday, the former Cal Poly linebacker got a chance to take the field with the Colts, after he signed a free-agent contract with the defending Super Bowl champion.

Shotwell, who won the Buck Buchanan Award as the best defender, see Round up, page 10

women's basketball

Cal Poly remains undefeated in Big West while winning its third straight game

Dustin Stone
MUSTANG DAILY

In its closest game of the season, the Cal Poly women's basketball team took down Cal State Fullerton 55-54 at Mott Gym, remaining undefeated in the Big West Conference.

The win marks only the second time the Mustangs have started 3-0 in the conference, with the last time being the 2005-06 season.

The Mustangs' charge was led by junior forward Lisa McBride, whose 10 points and career-high 14 rebounds added up to her first collegiate double-double, an accomplishment she had previously missed by only one rebound three times this season.

On the way to her milestone, she made 5 of her 10 shots, dished out two assists and made one steal.

Prior to the game, Titans head coach Maryalyce Jeremiah told the Mustang Daily her plan was to slow the game down to take Cal Poly out of its element, which, as it

turned out, was easier said than done.

Every time Cal State Fullerton (2-11, 1-1 Big West Conference) looked like it could effectively slow the pace of the Mustangs (6-9, 3-0 BWC) down, they broke loose.

Toni Thomas, the conference's leading scorer, made 5 of 10 shots from the floor for 20 points.

She also pulled down seven rebounds in the losing effort.

No one else could net double figures, though, for the Titans, who were outrebounded 48-39.

A stout defensive effort by the Mustangs held them to just 31-percent shooting from the floor overall, and 25 percent from beyond the 3-point line.

Lauren Chow, who came into the contest as the fourth-leading scorer in the conference with 14 points a game, was nullified, held to just six points on 1-of-9 shooting.

On the night, Cal Poly survived just a 33.9-percent shooting performance overall.

The Mustangs will shoot for their fourth victory in a row at 4 p.m. Saturday when they host UC Irvine.



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Cal Poly's Kristina Santiago shoots over Cal State Fullerton's Alison Bennett Thursday night. The Mustangs won 55-54.