Mid-career blues cause offices to face military

BY KAREN GRAVES
Daily Staff Writer

Officers disenchanted with the military are leaving for civilian positions more than ever before. Some officers are leaving the military because of mid-career crises, because of decreases in benefits and low pay levels. Another reason for this crisis is the lack of emotional support given to the military.

Although he had no statistics, Cal Poly ROTC Maj. William Lipke said he believes military officers who experience this mid-career crisis are affected by salaries, the strains of a military position, long hours and long separations from their families. More and more officers are leaving the military during this crisis—usually after eight to 18 years of service, said Lipke. One reason is because the salaries officers receive are not competitive with private industry. 

The consequences of this mid-career crisis for the forces is loss of experienced personnel, said Maj. John Trahey of the Cal Poly ROTC.

Another reason for the crisis is the manner in which the American people treat the military, said Trahey.

"It is not the most popular thing in America to serve your country today," said Trahey, who is leaving the military after 13 years.

The military and all people in uniform are not held in high esteem, he said.

"I have felt at times like being a second-class citizen in my own country because I wear a uniform," said Trahey. The officer said he was more respected in uniform when he was stationed overseas.

This mid-career blues are an emotional burden because the military is performing services for the American people and not being compensated for them, said Trahey. The military needs to work on a better relationship between the military professional and the public.

Reduced defense budgets have made less compensation available to military personnel, said Trahey. The officer said today's defense budget is the smallest since the Korean War in terms of dollar public spending. Combined with inflation and the high costs of personnel expenses for a volunteer force, these factors have produced a loss of benefits.

The main reason for the loss of these benefits or costs, he said, are increased burdens, especially for military personnel at Cal Poly and the University Union, he said. No compensation is provided for noncommissioned officers who must live in high cost areas like San Luis Obispo.

Brown said he did not know why Brown's decision was late. Brown is out of town and could not be reached. ASI Vice President Jeff Land said Brown told him. Blood is to be reinstated.

We're not happy with that at all, said Land.

Land said employee morale was low when Blood was managing the University Union. If she is rehired, ASI will oppose it in court, he said.

Blood said she does not know when she is to return to work. She said her understanding is that Roy Gersten, ASI business affairs manager, is supposed to notify her of such details.

Gersten said he has not received any notice about Blood's reinstatement. He said he has given me no official notice of any such thing, Gersten said.

The commissaries—where military personnel can buy groceries—still offer reduced savings, however.

Ex-UU manager rehired unofficially; ASI objects

Unofficial notice has been given to Martha Blood, former University Union manager fired Feb. 1 that she is to be reinstated as manager, according to several sources.

Blood said Dean of Students Russell Brown told her on May 21 that she was to have her rehired. She said she has not given official written notice yet. Blood unofficially decided came five weeks after the grievance action resulting from the termination of University Union Manager Martha Blood in February was a catalyst in the formation of an employee review policy. Voting members of the committee will include two student senators—one acting as chairman—a member of the University Union Board of Governors, the chairman of the UUBG and the ASI president.

The committee will be responsible to the student senate.

The senate passed resolution #80-23, recommending that student representation on the Trustees Selection Committee be maintained.

The committee reviews applications for university presidents, but leaves the final decision to the Board of Trustees.

Senate debate was interrupted at approximately 6:40 p.m. when an earthquake, later reported by KCBP as measuring 4.9 on the Richter scale, shook the University Union and rattled the large windows in the senate chambers.

Restrooms to be remodeled in June

A second phase of remodeling can begin this summer, handicapped persons will begin June 9.

Restrooms in the Dexter Library, Engineering West, Graphic Arts and the Administration Building are among the 31 to be worked on.

Psychologist to speak at Poly

Dr. Rollo May, a man recognized by many as a leading psychologist and philosopher of the 20th century, will speak at Cal Poly on Wednesday, June 4, at 11 a.m. in Chumash Auditorium.

The topic of May's presentation will be "Freedom in a Technocratic Society."

The talk is free.
Oppose the draft now

If everything goes as President Jimmy Carter plans, all U.S. citizens between 18 and 21 will be required to register for the draft as soon as August. In Sproul Plaza at UC Berkeley, thousands protest against the draft consistently. The fight has not failed with the absence of newspaper coverage of the issue. Most Cal Poly students seem to have "more important things to talk about."

Wake up, people! What is more important than your freedom? Forced conscription is imminent. With the political hotbed in Iran and Afghanistan, the threat becomes even more obvious.

Whether or not war is a threat, the implications of the draft are obvious. There has never been a draft in the United States without a confrontation following it. Now it is the time to consider values and rights. Strong values for liberty must be displayed loudly, both by writing to Congress of opposition to the draft, and by orally expressing feelings about the issue.

When the draft received heavy news coverage several months ago, I asked my stepfather and a family friend knowing what they know now, they would go into the service again.

The friend had served in Korea. Answered immediately.

"No. Not on your life! There is no way I would go in the service if I knew what I know now."

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Legal

By Dave Curti

"Yes, very, but George is an adventurer who enjoys deep peril in other peoples' treks. Others do not dare..."

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was on the side of 45 Cal Poly botanists who
collected Yosemite last weekend and left before
driving. A Saturday morning, first the alternator
bus delayed their departure. Snow flurries, which
traveled "botanizing" since the group's arrival Thu-
May 23, threatened road closures.
S.V.L. Holland and Dave Keil, who taught the
botany class, mentioned the possibility of having to
an extra day in the valley. What they couldn't
was that by the next day, other campers would be
by rock slides from two earthquakes occurring
of spending an extra day in Yosemite quickly
when the bus was jump-started, and though it
owing on the roads out of the valley, chains were
required.
xidents had been studying montane vegetation as
part of the class requirements. Upper left, Holland ex-
plains the difference between cones of common pines.
Bottom right, Keil shows Pam Murawski how to
recognition of red fir. An example of gradation in vegetation
— due to soil and elevation differences — is shown next to
the Bridalveil Fall, at right.

Photos by Professor Dave Keil
Adoption or death

Stray pets fill county facility

BY MARY KIRWAN
San Luis Obispo Tribune

Mike Biaggini was on his way to work last week at the Department of Animal Regulation, and saw someone drop a dog off in front of the facility. The abandoned dog followed the owner's car onto the highway, where the animal was hit and severely injured.

The dog was rushed to the veterinarian, and put to sleep. The owner has since been charged with abandonment—a misdemeanor punishable by a $500 fine; six months in jail or both.

"I guess the owner couldn't wait until we opened at 9 o'clock so he dumped the animal right in front of the facility. That animal never had a chance to be adopted because the owner did that," said Biaggini, senior deputy of San Luis Obispo County's Department of Animal Regulation.

The number of abandonments and animals turned over to county shelters is increasing as the summer months draw closer.

According to Melissa McCormick, state humane officer and director, the majority of animals abandoned or given up for adoption come from county residents who go on summer vacation.

"The problem is people don't want to pay to board them. The dog might have been in pain on their own and the price is the reason they don't want to pay to board them," McCormick said.

Also, only 3 to 4 percent of the animals given to the humane society are spayed or neutered, McCormick said.

"We get a lot of cases where people will bring in a bitch (female dog) and a whole litter of puppies. That's really stupid," he added.

McCormick said students contribute to the abandonment rate mainly because few places allow pets and they cannot financially afford the animal.

"What students need to remember is if they find a house now that allows pets, they have to realize that animal will live with them for 15 years. It's just because they can have a pet that day doesn't mean they can be able to find housing that allows pets later," McCormick said.

Biaggini said an average of 26 stray dogs (abandoned or in violation of leash law) are picked up monthly at Cal Poly.

About 80 percent are reclaimed by the owners and the other 20 percent are either adopted or destroyed with an injection of sodium pentobarbital.

From July 1, 1979 to March 1980, the county Department of Animal Regulation sheltered 6,146 animals. Nine hundred and seventy-nine were claimed by their owners, 475 were adopted, and 4,559 were destroyed because of "being unwanted, uncared for and the fact that people won't take the time to have their animals spayed or neutered," Biaggini said.

The Department of Animal Regulation has seven officers who patrol the entire county seven days a week, 24 hours a day. They have an average of three to four trucks patrolling daily, each bringing in 10 or more stray animals.

"We pick dogs up so they don't go out and get hit by a car or cause an accident, so they aren't wandering around starving to death and contracting disease." Dogs are a nuisance, Biaggini said, because "they contract rabies, they can bite people because they get scared, and they dump over trash cans, looking for food and upset a lot of people.

San Luis Obispo County has the greatest number of bite incidents in the state. In the past nine months, the Department of Animal Regulation investigated 1,158 bite cases. But publicity has eliminated the rabies problem with dogs Biaggini said. This county hasn't had a case of canine rabies since 1967. Our problem is with skunks. A loose dog will naturally attack a skunk and there you have your problem.

Twenty pets were destroyed last year for having contact with rabid animals and another 20 were quarantined. Under state law a dog owner is liable for anything his animal does. If he gets injured on the street, you are liable to pick that animal up and take him to the vet," Biaggini said.

Last year the Department of Animal Regulation picked up 210 injured animals and found 574 dead animals that "people let wander free and were hit and killed by cars."

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students get a glimpse of prisoners' lives

BY ANGELA VENEL

Daily Staff Writer

May 15, 1979

Cal Poly students and a professor went on a tour of San Quentin Prison. Professor John Gulver and Joe Munoz, part-time social workers, along with some of their students, toured the state's Men's Colony. Four inmates were their escorts, all of whom were really like us. I asked them to see the looks on the inmates' faces," said one tour member.

In the group entered, the prison doors were locked behind a group count was taken and the group was asked to leave all purses, wallets, and knives behind.

The group was then told that if for some reason one of them didn't return the hostages was explain d to us," said one of the prisoners.

The tour began in the prison's plaza. The prison is divided into four equal sections, each with a dining hall, prison ward, and large recreation area.

Surrounding the landscaped plaza is the industrial section, classrooms and churches. A guard tower is in the center, cement buildings and brick walls could be seen in all directions.

"This prison is the only one of its kind in California, and possibly anywhere. Its design is very unique and func tional," said one prison official.

In one corner of the plaza, men lined up to trade behind their laundry. Some inmates were wearing lawn, others were only allowed to put them just cleaned against our clothes and watched the tours pass them.

"The men enjoy seeing people from the outside. A lot of them don't get many visitors. They don't see many women," said Mike.

"God bless," said one inmate to the group as they passed through a prison church, which was modestly furnished and looked like any other church.

Religious services of all types are held in the prison. The inmates have a choice of attending any one, although it is not required, according to Mike.

The tour entered the industrial center, where inmates work making underwear and shoes. The factory atmosphere of the section made it loud, noisy, and dreary. Men can choose to take a job in the industrial center.

Some inmates stopped their work and watched intently as the tour passed through. Some smiled, others glared, and a few just glanced up without stopping their work. Salaries range from twelve to twenty cents an hour.

"The inmates prepare all of the meals here. They even bake their own bread and cookies and things," said Mike. As the group passed through the culinary building. The pleasing smell of spaghetti sauce was in the air as the inmates worked busily preparing the evening meal.

Unless he has a medical release, everyone of the 2,400 inmates has some job to do or classes to take. They can work toward their high school diploma, an A.A. degree, or learn a trade.

"When I finally accepted the fact that I would be in this place for a while, I decided to make the best of it and get an education," said Leroy, another escort. The average level of education completed by inmates entering the prison is the fifth grade.

When the group walked through one recreation area, resembling that of an elementary school, inmates were playing baseball, lifting weights and sunbathing. Many stopped to watch the procession.

A tour member might have seen anything from envy to curiosity to fear on the inmates' faces.

"Not everyone in here is a bad person. You have to realize that many of us never intended to commit a crime," said Mike. "I know I've made mistakes but I'm not a loser."

The escorted tour stressed the fact that the CMC is nothing like San Quentin, or Folsom, or Soledad. There are few if any racial problems there, according to them.

Approximately 60 percent of the inmates are serving time for robbery charges.

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Many of the inmates are afraid to face the outside. That's one of the biggest problems for the guys in here. We're cut off from the outside world," said Mike. "Some guys just can't handle it out there."

Approximately 50 percent of the inmates at the CMC return, according to a prison official.

Looking at the prison from the outside one sees walls, fences, lights and guard towers. Once inside one sees men that breath, cry, laugh, love and hate, just like anyone else.

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Poly women debunk soccer myth

BY GUILLERMO BROCK
Dally Stall Writer

Those who say that soccer is a man's sport would probably drop their jaws in amazement if they were to pass by the softball field below the gym on a weekday between 4 and 6 p.m.

For the past two months, a group of 15 women has been gathering during those hours to play and learn the finer points of the sport. Judy King, an 18-year-old computer science major, said the team is already a force to be reckoned with. "Our passing, playmaking and team hustle are our strongest departments right now," King said.

The young team has already tested the sweet flavor of victory. Westmont college was the first victim and they received a 5-0 roasting. Westmont's home field advantage went for naught as the Poly women infiltrated their rearguard with aplomb.

The women's team also drew 1-1 with Occidental College in a tournament held in Santa Barbara. The team enlisted the aid of several competent coaches and members of the men's soccer team. Doug Shaw, Steve Strahl, Scott Stone and Brad Conrad discuss strategies and tactics, as well as dispense advice on training and ball skills. Of course a coach's advice is not always appreciated and, on one such occasion, King noted, Shaw and Strahl were unceremoniously showered with mud.

Revenge was achieved at the next practice session, Shaw said.

Shaw said he was impressed with the overall level of skill the women possess, which is no small compliment coming from the highly-talented Cal Poly midfield player. King, for example, played soccer for four years at her San Jose high school. Shaw praised the group, saying, "They are easy to coach because they have so much hustle and enthusiasm."

The team's short range goals, said King, include destroying the UC Davis defense in an away game this weekend and perhaps setting a new North American scoring record.

Judy King, a key member of the women's soccer team, bullets a pass to a fellow teammate.

Jabbar gets MVP nod

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, the towering center of the champion Los Angeles Lakers, today was named the National Basketball Association's Most Valuable Player for the 1979-80 season.

The 7-foot-2 Abdul-Jabbar, who ranked among the league leaders scoring, rebounding, free-throw percentage and blocked shots, won MVP honor for the sixth time in his 11-year career.

Three other award winners were also announced, and all three were members of the Boston Celtics.
BY KAREN ELDOW

Sports

A Pew Poly team faces a daunting challenge in finding replacements for leading players. Athletic director Dorryn Miller has ordered the team to start from scratch in recruiting new players for this year's team.

Miller has been working on the team's recruiting efforts for the past few months, and has been making good progress so far. The team is currently ranked 13th in the nation, and is expected to improve in the upcoming season.

Miller has been working closely with the team's coaching staff to ensure that the team has the best possible players. The team has already signed several promising players, and is expected to sign more in the coming weeks.

The team is also working on improving its facilities, and has been given a $1 million grant to help with this goal. The grant will be used to upgrade the team's facilities, and will help the team to become one of the top teams in the nation.

Miller has been working closely with the team's administration to ensure that the team has the best possible facilities. The administration has been very supportive of the team, and has provided the team with the necessary resources to achieve its goals.

Miller has been a long-time supporter of the team, and has been working on its behalf for many years. He is a strong believer in the team's potential, and is confident that the team will be successful in the upcoming season.

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Finance slows Jarvis

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Howard Jarvis’ campaign for Proposition 9 has run into financial trouble and has had to seek free television and radio time under a public access law, a campaign spokesman said today.

Harvey Engelder said 25 television stations and 45 radio stations would be showing one pro-Proposition 9 commercial for every three paid-opposition ads in the last five days before the June election.

Jarvis refused to discuss the subject at a Capitol news conference, saying only that public employees unions who oppose his measure can “blackmail” members for contributions just because they work for him.

Proposition 9 would cut state income tax rates in half. Public opinion polls show the measure trailing substantially, but Jarvis renewed his prediction that it would pass with a 55 percent vote.

He conceded that he had been wrong in asserting throughout the campaign that the state had a $60 billion surplus, a figure that came from a state treasurer’s report on the size of a state investment fund.

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Senate.

would be effectively prevented from casting a vote by a federal judge who ruled that Carter had attached repeal to the debt limit bill, Carter said. The administration has appealed that decision.

The House dealt President Carter’s embattled 30-cent-a-gallon gasoline fee another setback Thursday, paving the way for Congress to attach a measure calling for repeal of the fee to a bill when it returns to Washington.

The IO-cent-a-gallon fee that Carter signed into law April 23 would pass with a 55 percent vote. Fee opponents hoped that by linking repeal to the debt limit bill, Carter would be effectively prevented from casting a threatened veto. A similar effort is underway in the Senate.

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China accepts arms trade

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a historic move, the Carter administration Thursday cleared the way for the first sales of military-related equipment and technology to the communist government of China.

Defense Secretary Harold Brown made the announcement after extensive talks with Chinese Vice Premier Geng Biao. Brown said the U.S. government had approved export license applications for a wide range of equipment such as air defense radar, helicopters and communications gear, and the sale of computers.

Brown and Geng stressed that the actions are significant in what they described as a “step-by-step relationship” between the two superpowers, which once were enemies on the Korean battlefield.

Brown emphasized the moves did not represent the beginnings of a formal alliance between the countries, although he said “the People’s Republic of China and the United States are friends.”

He noted the landmark approvals do not involve the sale of weapons or arms. Other defense officials, speaking anonymously, said such sales are not under consideration.

There was an atmosphere of warmth and cordiality as the two defense leaders faced reporters after about two hours of wind-up talks climaxing Geng’s visit to Washington.

Korean troops seal off city

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korean troops have sealed off a second southern city where anti-government demonstrations were reported continuing Thursday despite the presence of soldiers.

The U.S. Embassy warned Americans to stay out of the area. In announcements Thursday on Armed Forces Radio, the embassy asked all U.S. civilians, their number estimated “in the thousands,” to register by phone, mail or in person with the embassy.

Volcano considered for park

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Forest Service and the National Park Service are actively considering moves toward making the volcano-devastated Mount St. Helens area a national park, an NPS source told The Associated Press today.

“It would be the best use for the area, considering the devastation and destruction,” said the source, noting it would take an act of Congress to set aside the volcano as an NPS preserve.

Park service officials and old publications describe striking similarities between Mount St. Helens and Lassen Volcanic National Park in California.

Gasoline fee stalls in House

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