Poly guns for title shot

BY RALPH THOMAS
Staff Writer

Few of us believe in Santa Claus and even fewer in the sack of free goodies he supposedly carries about. We've pain-
fully surrendered our images of little elves building toys and magic reindeer pulling a sleigh through the sky.
No, Santa may not be for real. Just the tired dreamer still hugging from street posts are all that exist. More than a week before Thanksgiving gobs of decorations are erected—reminding most of us to check our balances.

With the realization that Santa won't be handing out free gifts we all must decide how to distribute our precious pennies. Trudging through the motions of Christmas shopping and keeping the yuletide spirit polished is no easy task. It's a time of celebration overloaded with decisions, decisions and more deci-
sions.
The Christmas spirit at Cal Poly is not what one would call "bubbling"—but it is a little bit early to get all sad about it. Some groups on campus, however, are getting excited and are extremely in-
volved in the buying and selling spirit of the season.
The El Corral Bookstore has been con-
verted into a knick-knack gift shop—stren with decorations and clut-
tered with goods. Most of the gifts are of the sort one might take home to Mom and Dad.

But the bookstore isn't monopolizing the business
The University Union Craft Center is holding its own in competition with the bookstore. They're safe of handmade

severe in engineering, computer science and business fields, the committee will examine the possibilities for faculty recruit-
ment in all fields and depart-
ments of the University.
Kersten said faculty recruit-
tment is important to both faculty and students. "Problems with recruitment and retention are among the most serious the university faces," said Kersten.
He said that if the university should have to lower its stan-
dards for hiring faculty, ac-
creditation of the university could be in jeopardy. "This would hurt students because a degree from a nonaccredited university does not hold as much weight as a degree from an accredited university on the job market," he said.
Kersten said that although salaries are the main problem of attracting faculty, the commit-
tee will look into the entire work-

environment of Cal Poly faculty including the availability of research facilities, the work load expected of faculty and the availability of faculty for outside consultation in their fields. Kersten stressed that the com-
mittee's only purpose is to look for possible approaches to recruiting faculty, and will in no way be involved in negotiations or bargaining.
Faculty members of the com-
mittee will be Professor Joe Weatherby of political science, Professor George Lewis, mathematics and mechanical engineering Professor Lee Osteeey, said Kersten. Ac-
cording to Hazel Jones, Vice-

President for Academic Affairs, the dean serving on the commit-
tee will be Dean Coe of the school of Business, Dean Valpey of Computing and Technology and Dean Langworthy of Science and Math. A chairman of the com-
mittee has still to be selected, said Kersten.
Kersten said he expects the committee to meet and begin work in January.

BY CYNTHIA BARAKATT
Staff Writer

A series of discussions between Cal Poly President War-
ren Baker and the chairman of the campus academic senate has resulted in the formation of a committee to study possibilities for recruiting and retaining qualified faculty at Cal Poly.
Academic senate chairman Tim Kersten announced the for-
mation of the committee to the Cal Poly academic senate at its meeting Tuesday after a series of discussions on faculty recruit-
ment with President Warren Baker culminated in the plans for the committee.
Kersten said the committee of three faculty members and three deans has been appointed to deal with the problem of attracting and retaining qualified faculty from competing business and in-
dustry fields, where salaries are higher than faculty salaries. Although this problem is most

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BY VERN AHREND
Sports Editor

The third time around may prove to be the lucky one for the Cal Poly Mustang football team.
The Mustangs, put their na-
tional championship hopes

BY MARY KIRWAN
Staff Writer

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advised to encourage presidents of their respective student sen-
ates to pass Resolution 81-03, which Speci-
sifies incoming freshmen must take at least nine free elective units, which is already a part of the Poly curriculum.

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By Dave Brackney
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Poles might request Soviet aid

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — A member of the Polish Central Committee raised for the first time today to possibility of a Polish request for Soviet assistance in the Polish crisis.

Jozef Klasa, head of the Central Committee department for relations with the media, said at a news conference that the Polish leadership would ask for Soviet assistance if authority "slipped into the hands of anti-socialist elements." He said a call for assistance would be made only if "socialism became endangered."

"I think such endangering would occur only when authority would slip from the hands of democracy into the hands of anti-socialist elements," said Klasa. "Then the Polish communists would have the right and duty to ask for assistance from the Soviet Union and other countries."

Posters for charity selling near you-you

By Angela Vengel

Proceeds from a poster sale at Cal Poly will help the Special Olympics of San Luis Obispo. Sponsoring the Boo Boo Foundation, the "First Annual Music Poster and Memorabilia Sale," started December 4 and will go on today from ten to three o'clock in the Mustang Lounge.

"Our goal is to raise $1,000 through this sale," said Ed Taylor, director of Boo Boo Foundation and co-owner of Boo Boo Records. "The sale was organized in coordination with the Council for Exceptional Children of Cal Poly."

Taylor estimated that by 11:30 yesterday morning that anywhere from 400 to 600 people had been to the sale. Poster prices range from 25 cents to $35.

26 die in New York hotel fire

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — An electrical fire flashed through the conference rooms of a suburban inn Thursday, killing 25 people and injuring 40. Authorities said the area where the fire spread was not equipped with sprinklers.

"It appears it flashed up suddenly and these people didn't have a chance," said Purchase Fire Chief Robert Makowski at the scene of the fire at Stouffer's Inn.

"The bigger the group, the more expensive the poster. It also depends on the artwork," said Taylor.

One of the more expensive posters was a large card-board heart poster. The front of the poster was the cover of their Dreamboat Annie album and on the back was two covers of Hearts Magazine.

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Bodies of four Americans found

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — The bodies of three missing American nuns and a Roman Catholic social worker were found near a highway Thursday afternoon, searchers reported.

They said the bodies were identified by a justice of the peace in the area near the town of Santiago Nonualco, about 30 miles south of the capital. Further details were not immediately available.

Four suffocate in coal mine

PITTSBURG (AP) — Four teenage cousins suffocated while exploring in a long-abandoned coal mine before a birthday party for one of them when they were overcome by carbon dioxide trapped by a freakish change of temperature, officials said Thursday.

Officials, who declined to identify the youths until relatives were notified, said the bodies would not be brought to the surface through a caved-in opening before mid-afternoon.

The four, aged 16, 17, 18 and 19 were found in a cave off the Nortonville Mine, near the Black Diamond Mines Regional Preserve, about 5 miles east of San Francisco in what used to be the state's largest coal mining region. The mine is located on private property owned by the Southport Land Co. of San Francisco, officials said.

The two pairs of brothers drove their customized blue van to within a mile of the mine Wednesday afternoon, then hiked to a tiny concrete entrance, according to Sgt. Norm Lapera of the East Bay Regional Park district police.
Use 'stress management' to budget time better

BY BEVERLY BRINT-NALL

Staff Writer

It all piles up—the term paper, the unread chapters, and the four finals in one day. The pressure builds, and stress takes control of the body.

"Stress means you are not handling the situation well," said Jim Aiken, acting director of Cal Poly's Counseling Center. Students under stress know what they have to accomplish, yet they look for something other than studying to help them, said Aiken.

"We do need stress for motivation. It is stress that gets us up in the morning," he said.

Stress needs creative management. A person should analyze and know his or her proper stress level. Resources such as physical energy, emotions, social abilities, intellectual abilities and spiritual commitments should be analyzable. Present stressors should be examined. Values should be noted, and a creative way to get what one wants should be looked for, said Aiken.

Strategies for coping with stress include re-organizing time and energy to handle stressors more effectively, managing the environment by controlling relations with people and surroundings, change of attitude, and body building to increase stamina against stress, he said.

"Poly is a stressful environment. It is the first time away from parents for many students. Students must decide on a career. Relationships are formed. For the first time they are running their own lives." The answer to stress is to build up resilience. A balanced diet, exercise and relaxation are all good actions to control stress, said Aiken.

Every day students should list six important things they should do that day—such as writing a paper, grocery shopping, talking to a friend, and studying. Students should rank the list and then set a time schedule as to when they will do it, Aiken said.

"It is pretty effective," Aiken said.

Students should also learn how to relax. If students eat dinner while watching television, "we get the stereo blaring and are talking to a friend. This is not relaxing," Aiken said.

"Don't do anything, adopt a passive attitude. Everyone should relax for a half hour every day." Live a "problem-process sort of way," deal with each problem as it comes, and learn to anticipate them, Aiken said.

For finals, make a study schedule and stick to it. Allow time for relaxation, he has proven that it is more beneficial to study for 45 minutes and take a quick break, than to study for four hours straight, he said.

Don't go on diets during finals and eat a balanced diet with a normal calorie intake. Stay away from sugars because their quick energy up is followed by a depressing down. Coffee and tea are fine, but should not be drunk in excess because it can cause in-ritability and loss of efficiency, Aiken said.

"Coping with stress won't work without practice. Relax at other times when you are not in a stressful situation."
Poly graduates turns coin hobby into cold, hard cash

BY JIM MALONE
Ag Editor

For Hannes Tulving Jr., the premature end of his college career at Cal Poly meant the beginning of a very lucrative career buying and selling rare coins. The 25-year-old entrepreneur came to Cal Poly on a basketball scholarship in 1974. The 6-4 forward and center had his minor in education -- the pre-requisite major was required by the school of education. The only other major Tulving could pursue was business, and he chose to major in business. The present curriculum of his major was not only adequate but the Department of Business Administration is working with his father, Hannes Tulving Sr., at the family's gas station in West Covina, which has put the technical programs in a difficult situation. "It's hard to see how any upper division courses in management can easily accommodate the new requirement. "The curriculum is so tight, even dropping three units would be very difficult. I doubt it would be accredited," said Wilson.

"Our curriculum is so specific, that dropping all electives, said Wilson. Most likely they will entail a curriculum clean-up, where each major course will be scrutinized and those determined bogus will be swept.

"If I were a student, I'd be outraged if I was here for four years and was not able to take any electives. Nine units of electives is only three free electives and that's not very many in a four year period," he said.

Some major classes, if necessary, can be cut without damaging programs or robbing students of a good education, Wilson said. "We don't have the only good architecture, agriculture and engineering. Please see page 9"

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tiny mom finds joy in cooking

By Lisa Asato
Staff Writer

There are times when people wonder if they could be more productive. What is a good example? Maybe Nana. Nana's Mexican Restaurant, tucked behind Journey's Inn on South Broad Street. It's probably the busiest, most non-descript building in all of San Luis Obispo. Its owner, however, is probably one of the most extraordinary people in the entire county.

Consuelo Ruiz, better known as Nana, has been running her little cafe for the past ten years, with the help of her retired husband, John. She cooks and manages Nana's six days a week, seven hours a day. At 77, she says she's never felt better.

The original Nana's was located on south Higuera in a small, dilapidated building, where the poor, transient, or hungry were often fed for free. After working long and hard for many hours, Nana decided to close her restaurant and retire. As soon as she did, she became tormentted with migrain headaches and aches and pains she had never before experiencend. After a year and a half of retirement, her husband found her the restaurant at 2121 Broad, and her headaches and other problems immediately dissapeared.

Looking at this tiny, spry lady with short, dark hair spilling out of a hairnet, one would think her life to be carefree and simple. On the contrary, Nana is very disturbed about things she has seen in the past and in the present.

"I work very hard and get very tired so I go to sleep at night and not think. I don't like what's going on all the time," she explained.

She is still plagued by nightmarish memories of the violent and bloody Mexican Revolution. She claims she saw something she will never forget. Today she is bothered by young kids on drugs, and aborutions.

"I'm very old fashioned," she added.

Despite these worries, she is easily persuaded into reminiscing about what San Luis Obispo was like when she first arrived with her family in 1922. Her father had been a government worker in Mexico. After the revolution, he fil­ed and came to the United States. The only work he could find was that of working in the fields for a seed company.

"I'll always admire my father. He didn't know how to work with his hands, but he learned, and he never complained." She smiles and her dark eyes brighten as she recalls walking with her sister to early morning mass as a child.

Nana got started in the restaurant business because of her love for cooking. Her baby is forty years old now, she ex­ plains, and when the last of her six children left home, there was no fun left in cooking. Food doesn't taste good when you cook for just two people," she said.

Now she says all her customers are her children.
Christmas crafts on sale in UU

BY DREW TRUJILLO
Special to the Daily

The Christmas Craft Sale in the University Union reveals the dichotomy of the Christmas spirit,—"brotherly love and making a profit."

The annual sale gives students an opportunity to purchase handmade Christmas gifts as opposed to the mass sale of identical gifts in department stores.

At first glance, the merchandise parallels the San Francisco street artist whose crafts pour forth with individualism plunging deep into the heart of the form and ignoring the business aspects.

A few of the artists said they were selling strictly for the money to buy Christmas gifts for their friends. Last year's sale grossed over $9,000 with $1,800 going to the Craft Center.

The craftsmen sell wares ranging from pottery to wreaths and cactus to photography, ranging in price from $1 to over $50.

For some this is their first time at selling their craft to the public. Jill Pampeyan, a sophomore natural resources management student, displayed her stained glass items that range from small Christmas ornaments to plant hangers.

In her eyes, this sale is more than money in the pocket. Her stained glass is made in spare time and the work would still go on even if there was not a Christmas craft sale.

Still other craftsmen worked an idea into a reality. "I had some dried flowers and I made a wreath for some friends of mine like the ones I saw in a store. I guess the idea clicked and here I am at the sale," said ornamental horticulture student Susan Breckenridge.

Of course the majority at the sale have the intention of bringing back ideals of the classical Christmas spirit. A potter at the Center said she realizes the budget that a student is on is tight, and her prices are marked low to cater to their need.

Pride of Pacific stages recital

The Cal Poly Mustang Marching Band will recreate the musical highlights from this year's football halftime season tonight in Chumash Auditorium when the "Pride of the Pacific" assemblies for Band-O-Rama 1980.

The indoor concert, which begins at 8 p.m., will also feature this year's first performances by the university's symphony and studio bands.

The total entertainment for the evening," said Band Director William Johnson, "is what I consider spectacular."

Tickets to the concert are on sale at the University Union Ticket Office, at Premier Music Co. and from individual band members. The cost is $3 for general admission and $1.50 for students.

Johnson said $1,900 will have to be raised from the concert in order to pay for equipment, supplies and travel expenses.

The band director said the number of performing musicians, the variety of music and a collection of special features make Band-O-Rama an entertainment bargain.

"I don't think anybody has had the opportunity to pay $1.50 or $3 to see a 160-member marching band, an 80-member symphonic band and a 25-member studio band all in one concert," said Johnson.

Other musical hits performed by the marching band include such Dixieland favorites as "South Rampart Street Parade" and "Waiting for the Robert E. Lee." The band will also present television theme songs from "Dallas," "M*A*S*H," "WKRP in Cincinnati" and "Lou Grant."

Other musical hits performed by the marching band include "Fame," "All Over the World" from the motion picture "Xanadu," Neil Diamond's "September Morn" and "Daybreak" by Barry Manilow.
Al’s good-bye rained out

The farewell performance of Weird Al Yankovic, who gained fame by his satirical parodies of popular rock songs and his comedy show on KCPR, was cancelled Thursday morning because of rain. "The real bummer is that it’s not even raining anymore," Yankovic said as he looked down at the University Union plaza from a balcony, the clouds beginning to clear.

The show was scheduled at the 11 a.m. university hour and was to feature Yankovic and a local rock band performing the "Weird Al renditions." The performance was cancelled early in the morning when rain drenched the plaza.

“We decided not to electrocute ourselves," one band member said. Yankovic said the band spontaneously named the "Al Yankovic Orchestra," practiced for the show most of the quarter and was to include "My Balogna," "Another One Rides the Bus," and "My Baby Likes Burping." It was to be Yankovic’s last performance at Cal Poly, where he was the disco jockey of a Saturday night show on KCPR and has made Coffee House performances off and on for three years. Yankovic will graduate at the end of Fall quarter from the School of Architecture.

Yankovic said the first thing he must do is assess the future in musical career.

Auditions for winter play open

"Dial ‘M for Murder," the suspenseful play by Frederick Knott, will be the Cal Poly Theatre’s Winter quarter production. Directed on film by Alfred Hitchcock, the mystery was first performed in 1952, and is a detective story in which the ‘perfect’ crime is solved.

For Winter quarter production.

Auditions for the production will be on Wednesday and Thursday, January 7 and 8, 1981, from 7-11 p.m. in Room 212 of the H.P. Davidson Music Center. The director and set designer Murray Smith, is looking for nine people who can work in a close ensemble while developing their characters. "Timing and precision in speech and movement will be the main focus of our rehearsals," Smith said. Four of the men and one woman will be required to speak with a British accent; the other character is an American.

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The education department appears headed toward stronger unification because of efforts by the new acting head to improve curriculum and communications.

Dr. John B. Connely was appointed acting head of the Education Department in July, following the retirement of Dr. Walter Schroeder.

The former coordinator of the Liberal Studies and International Programs views curriculum responsibilities as one of his priorities.

"We want to offer students the best courses available," said Connely. This means evaluating, developing and renewing existing courses.

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Connely is concerned with meeting the needs of students as well as the community. He is especial­ly concerned with the department's special education option since no universities have sufficient graduates to meet the needs of the field.

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Connely is concerned with meeting the needs of students as well as the community. He is especial­ly concerned with the department's special education option since no universities have sufficient graduates to meet the needs of the field.

Dr. John Connely, acting head of the education dept., reflects upon what changes will be made to improve the department's curriculum.

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The Division II championship game will be played at the Zia Bowl in Albuquerque N. M. on Dec. 13. The other semifinal game scheduled this Saturday is between top-ranked Eastern Illinois and North Alabama.

This team is only the third one in Cal Poly's history that has made a post-season appearance came in 1972 when Cal Poly was invited to participate in the Camellia Bowl in Sacramento. So the team now to game to North Dakota, 36-21.

The second team to make it to the playoffs was the injury-riddled 1978 squad. The names and faces of that squad form the foundations of this year's squad. The Mustangs were shut out in the quarterfinal round at Winston-Salem State, 17-0.

Last week, the third team in history reached the postseason limelight. Cal Poly was healthy this time as it blanket Jackson State at home, 15-0.

The wet weather of late could be a blessing in disguise for Cal Poly. If Mustang Stadium turns into a mud bowl, the soggy conditions could take a lot of the wind out of the San­ ta Clara offense. The Broncos have a good running game but they have been surviving on the passing of quarterback Dave Allen.

The Mustangs, on the other hand, have been con­ centrating on the run late. Cal Poly quarterback Craig Johnston has been averaging 27.9 pass attempts per game during the regular season but he usually went up to last week against Jackson State 13 times.

"Both teams have improved considerably since we played earlier in the year," said Cal Poly coach Harper. "We are certainly more familiar with Santa Clara than we were with Jackson State." There will be no sur­ prises for either team after Saturday afternoon. There is no turning back and nothing to save themselves for. This is it and the third

Poly debuts in tourney

The Cal Poly Women's volleyball team will make its first appearance next Thursday morning in the AIAW National Championships, at UC Santa Barbara.

Cal Poly earned the honor by gaining a wild card berth for finishing sixth in the Western Regionals. The Mustangs are seeded tenth in the tournament and is in pool with Northwestern, No. 2 seeded University of the Pacific, No. 7 seed Univer­ sity of Washington and Kentucky.

Poly opens the national tournament play against Northwestern at 9 a.m. and UGP at 3 p.m. on Thursday. will be schedul­ ed to battle Washington at 9 a.m. and Kentucky at 3 p.m. of Friday.

"We are going to the na­ tionals because I think that we have earned it," Wilton said. "Doggone it, Cal Poly deserves to go. We finished sixth in the toughest region in the na­ tion. Despite the sixth in the regionals, Wilton had mixed feelings about his team's performance. Poly played two strong games and had two other lackluster performances.

"We are still young and the cream of the crop was the regionals which was a whole new experience for us," he said. "Our errors were maximized by the fact of the added pressure of the regionals."

Don't blame us. Just don't ask. 
Poly athletes Jackson, Martin anchor football scoring machine

BY TOM KINGSLING

Staff Writer

Thirty-four precious seconds remain as the ball is hiked to Mustang quarterback Craig Johnston.

"The Mustangs are in a struggle to hold off Boise State, 20-20, and they desperately need a victory for a playoff birth.

Wide receiver Robbie Martin is streaking down the sidelines and catches Johnston's pass in usual spectacular fashion.

A few plays later, running back Louis Jackson smashes his way to the end zone for the winning touchdown.

Then comes the winning field goal. The capacity crowd in Mustang Stadium explodes with emotion.

How different would the outcome have been if the Mustang football machine not been equipped with the offensive weapons of Jackson and Martin?

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We all suffer

The most familiar remaining scars of the Vietnam War are the veterans—some mangled, both mentally and physically. But thousands of miles away lies the land of Vietnam; a scarred, deserted land which will take years to recover.

The enemy was scattered throughout close-canopied forests, mangrove swamps and vast rice fields. The American government chose to exterminate its enemies by two major tactics—defoliation and bombing.

Each year during the war about three million bombs were dropped on the landscape, leaving great craters 20-30 feet deep and 30-40 feet across. Filled with rank water most of the time, the craters serve as excellent breeding grounds for malarial mosquitoes.

The defoliation program was intended to rid Vietnam of its lush vegetation in order to see the enemy better, destroy its cover and how our club can fit in. Afterward, increased visibility.

Great swaths were bulldozed alongside roads so the enemy could not ambush military caravans. Most of these strips were scraped down to the infertile subsoil, which is now barren and subject to erosion. At least one million acres were cleared by 1969, according to information released by the Army.

The unprecedented mass use of herbicides began in 1961. About six million acres were sprayed by 1969, according to the Department of Defense. Most forest spraying was done with derivatives from 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T such as agents blue and orange.

The herbicidal attacks worked with murderous efficiency.

Trees dropped their leaves after about three weeks and remained bare for several months. Sunlight was able to reach the forest floor—a visit its burning rays would not normally make—and herbicidal grasses and shrubby bamboo were encouraged to grow. When a defoliation occurs, few trees survive. Barren landscapes cover at least one million acres of land in Vietnam. About 8 billion board feet of timber have been destroyed, along with various other forest products.

At least one-fourth of Vietnam's mangrove swamps have been sprayed and killed, because the plant life in these swamps does not regenerate. Even the herbicides are not supposed to harm animals, fish, fowl and forest creatures are affected. The web of life has been destroyed.

How are the Vietnamese supposed to eke out an existence on this ruined landscape? It has not been easy. In our attempt to save a nation politically, we destroyed it ecologically.

The chemicals are still sprayed, the bombs are being manufactured right now for destruction some day. Let's learn from the example of Vietnam and quit destroying life on earth because with that kind of action, we destroy ourselves.

Thanks, Willie

Editor: In response to the editorial of December 2nd, "Conservation Must," let me first say that I agree with the title: There is a need for conservation and minimization of waste. However, there are a number of points I disagree with, and I feel a need to comment.

First of all, while I am not an avid fan of Ronald Reagan, your use of the phrase "bible-mindled" and the adjectives "laughable" and "tragic" in the first two paragraphs convey no information, and are simply emotional appeals.

Second, I think that your statement in the third paragraph that conservation is the "only short-term answer" might make more sense if we interpret it as meaning only a short term answer. Hoarding, dwindling energy supplies is as much less effective, in the long run, than providing incentives to develop and redevelop new and old resources.

Third, while I do not dispute your statement that the United States uses a higher percentage of world energy than its percentage of world population, there is more to this than meets the eye. For example, many countries are dependent on the U.S. for their food. Mechanized agriculture and a highly developed transportation system consume a good deal of energy, and allow us to produce and export large amounts of food.

Fourth, your statement that there is no way to meet our future needs except through "renewable" energy resources is simply untrue. Solar power, satellites and fusion power are just two examples of possible energy sources that can be developed. In addition, many of our present sources are not exhausted as fast as they might be if they were profitable to develop them.

Fifth, the arguments presented for a mandatory federal conservation program ignore the possibility of unemployment as a result of dictated reductions in energy use. In addition, you state that "it would buy us time for the development of renewable resource technologies." Who is to develop these technologies, and what will they use for capital? Private industry, with the profits generated by realistic free market prices? Or government, through still greater taxation? Anyone who believes that government makes more efficient use of money than private industry in ignoring the record: Example: The Department of Energy, which has produced nothing of real value to the people, has a budget larger than the after-tax profits of all the major U.S. oil companies combined.

Sixth, your criticism of the upcoming administration as counting on "big bucks" and a "misguided sense of individual freedom" than "earth and society" is nonsense. I would like to know your definition of a "misguided sense of individual freedom." This phrase can only be interpreted to mean anything an individual wishes to do that the editors of the Mustang Daily do not wish him to do. Society, if I understand you, means the common people. If so, you must realize that we all depend on business and free enterprise to meet our needs. If you ever regulate the economy, you reduce the ability of the market to respond to the people's needs. Free market prices reflect physical conditions; shortages are reflected by high prices. High prices give incentive to increase production. Increased production alleviates the shortage. If your goals are not to meet people's needs and desires, but to preserve resource areas in their wild state for the aesthetic enjoyment of a minority, government-forced conservation is an excellent method to achieve your goal.

In closing, let me say that I believe all our energy problems will be solved when and if government allows the market to operate as it should. Conservation? Yes—conservation by individuals who see that it is in their interest to conserve.