Racial element cited by Huff

BY TOM JOHNSON

Temps flared at the ASI student senate meeting Wednesday night when ASI President Willie Huff said the university's efforts to establish an effective affirmative action program on campus have been hampered by "racist and sexist elements which still pervade Cal Poly's environment."

Huff tells senate it's "lazy" blames self

BY MARY McALISTER

ASI President Willie Huff hailed this year's student senate as one of the least active in recent years in his State of the ASI address at Wednesday's student senate meeting.

"This year's senate is the laziest senate in recent years," said Huff.

He has met his goal of a united ASI, he said, but may "either Willie or I would like, but I hate to call it laziness."

He added that this year's senate is rather inexperienced as there are only a handful of senators who also served on the body last year.

"I called Huff's criticism of his position as "legitimate" because, he noted, he tried to maintain the role of moderator during the first quarter. In response to Hoff's remarks, Foretia said he will begin to participate more in senate action.

Huff also said the senate should become active in the administration's affirmative action movement and should help open the eyes of fellow students to the need for an ASI fee increase. Without such an increase, Huff noted, future student governments will be impacted.

The ASI business office submitted figures on the proposed increase, noting that the last increase was in 1965 and that the total ASI budget has increased substantially since then.

John DeAngelis, senator from the School of Architecture and Environmental Design, presented his committee's proposal for an 8 percent increase per year, noting that major ASI programs will need an additional $72,500 to meet their current needs.

The senate postponed further discussion on the matter to next week's meeting when all committee reports will be due.

The senate also postponed further action on proposals dealing with establishing class withdrawal guidelines and a revised add policy, and agreed to deferral until after the next quarter's meeting.

Foretia announced that a senate newsletter has been formulated and will be distributed to various campus locations in the next few weeks.

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SpeECHES HONOR KING

BY MARY CORBIN

"We must forever continue our struggle on the high plane of dignity and discrcetion. We must not allow our creative protest to degenerate into physical violence. Again and again we must rise to the majestic heights of meeting physical force with soul force."

These are several words from Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I have a dream" speech, read aloud by George Robert Carter Jr., president of United Black Students of California Polytechnic State University, at the United Black Students Awareness Council, in Cal Poly's UV Plaza at a celebration by UBSAC.

The celebration was in honor of King's birthday, his non-violent protests, his dedication to peace, his politics and his life.

The gathering also made notice of a petition by UBSAC for making King's birthday a national holiday. Meanwhile, Stevie Wonder was in Washington D.C. for the same cause, said Carter.

With an audience of around 300 people, the commemoration for King began with an opening prayer and then a song titled "People's National Anthem," led by Carter. A variety of speakers followed.

President Warren Baker described his gratitude to King. "I am pleased at what has come about and amazed at what has not yet resolved, since King's death. King was a leader of rights, a church man and educator who merely wanted peaceful action and respect for each other."

Said Dean of Students Dean Brown, "For me, King was a tribute to all people who patiently fight for their rights."

The celebration was wrapped up by Carter in his reading of King's speech, "I have a dream," and then the singing of "Happy Birthday," "Stevie Wonder's" tribute to King, which appeared on Wonder's most recent LP.
No damage in Bay Area quake

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The fourth and strongest earthquake of the new year rocked Northern California before dawn Thursday, knocking a radio station off the air and triggering a brief blackout at a jail. No damage or injuries were reported.

"The lights moved and coffee jiggled," said Joan Hedges, a waitress at a Sambos Restaurant in Salinas. "It flickered the lights off and on."

The 4:48 a.m. temblor was the sharpest of four earthquakes to hit Northern California since Jan. 1.

Centered eight miles east of San Jose, the earthquake was given a magnitude of 5.0 on the Richter scale by the National Earthquake Information Center in Golden, Colo., but was rated only 4.5 by University of California seismologists at Berkeley.

"It was my kind of earthquake," said Jim Berkland, a geologist who lives in San Jose. "It wasn't big enough to do any damage, but big enough to keep everybody interested."

Southern Pacific commuter trains between San Jose and San Francisco were delayed more than two hours while engineers checked tracks for damage. Other Bay area public transportation systems reported normal service.

Power was knocked out for several minutes in Hollister, 30 miles south of San Jose and some lights were out for about two minutes at the San Benito County Jail. Radio station KDON-FM at Salinas was out of service for "a few seconds."

"Everything was shaking down here," said Joe Minster, a waiter at a Denny's Restaurant in San Jose about 40 miles south of San Francisco. "The lights were swaying back and forth, the floor-to-ceiling glass was shaking . . . everybody's coffee spilled out of their cups."

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted Thursday to recommend Senate confirmation of Alexander M. Haig to be secretary of state, despite questions raised by some senators about his role in the Watergate scandal.

Haig, one of the more controversial of President-elect Ronald Reagan's Cabinet choices, is virtually certain to be confirmed by the full Senate next Wednesday, the day after Reagan is inaugurated.

Only Sens. Paul S. Sarbanes, D-Md., and Paul Tsongas, D-Mass., voted against the recommendation. "I just cannot, in good conscience support this nomination," said Sarbanes. Tsongas agreed, but said "God gave this man much. It is up to him to write this upcoming chapter in American history in a way that will honor us all."

Senate Democratic Whip Alan Cranston of California said he expected no filibuster or other delays on the floor, and predicted Haig would be easily confirmed next Wednesday or Thursday.

Cranston said he was originally disposed to vote against the retired general when the hearings started last Friday. "But I will vote to confirm Alexander Haig," he said. "I now believe there is a sufficiency of evidence, based on the entire hearing, that Gen. Haig . . . could be a truly great secretary of state."

Another initial critic, Sen. Claiborne Pell, D-R.I., declared Haig's nomination "the most controversial I've seen in 16 years. He's more warlike than I am . . . but I am relieved by his statements that he would seek to avoid war and particularly abhors the thought of nuclear war."

Correction

In the Jan. 15 Mustang Daily in the sports section, we incorrectly reported that the women's athletic program is part of the NCAA. It is part of the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

Also, in an advertisement in the same edition, we incorrectly stated that a Swimmercise mini-class offered by the ASI Recreation and Trivia Sports Committee was from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The class is offered from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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President denies he called Poly students racists

Huff, in the annual State of the ASI address to the senate, praised President Warren Baker's commitment to improve the state of under-represented groups on campus and to recruit more ethnic minorities, poor white and women to the campus. But he also said the administration's efforts are being hindered by "an environment where I wouldn't be using too strong words if I describe that this environment as still having many racist and sexist elements in it."

Ken Raasch, senator from the School of Business, protested Huff's remarks saying, "I feel it is irresponsible and uncalled for, as an ASI president to make such generalizations about the students at this university."

Raasch stated in an interview Thursday that by the tone of his voice and the manner in which he spoke, Huff was intimidating the students of this campus as racist.

Raasch emphasized that he was well aware that racism exists at Cal Poly just as it does in society as a whole, but he believes Huff abused his power as president by making his views on racism during the state of the ASI address. "It is not general ASI policy that we feel students are racist. When the ASI president says something it is taken as ASI policy. In this case it (Huff's remark) is not ASI policy and I don't want that to be inferred."

Huff denied calling students "racists." "I did not say people, I said element. Elements as like administrative procedures such as admissions policies which focus just on grades and (Scholastic Aptitude Test) scores. Unequal athletic funding is a sexual element. It (the speech) is not saying that people are racist, but that there are racist elements." He stressed that he thinks that about 80 percent of the students on campus are open to racial relations in a positive way and that he personally hasn't experienced racism since he has come to the Poly campus.

Huff brushed off Raasch's remark that he abused the power of the presidency, saying, "I am the executive branch of the government. When I make a State of the ASI address I am speaking for the entire ASI. Ken Raasch is then responsible for what he claims to descript."

Huff added that it would be difficult for someone to deny racist and sexist elements on campus because the administration has stated that it is seeking to strengthen affirmative action at Cal Poly. "I understand they act on a problem if the problem doesn't exist?" he concluded.

Budget cuts may hurt Poly

This task force will reduce the "unspecified" reduction to a more specific level and allocate the $4.4 million to the various state campuses. Vice President for Academic Affairs Hazel J. Jones is then responsible for stating how the reduction of the various state campuses. "It is inevitable that some positions will be cut when they start allocating that 84.4 million to the different campuses," added Ramirez.

According to Ramirez, tuition or closure of several of the smaller state campuses would probably arise again as issues in the task force discussions. He stated that under the California Education Code, the Trustees have the authority to charge up to $25 per year in tuition. Ramirez explained that both of these alternatives had been considered previously as possible ways of dealing with Proposition 13.

"I don't know how serious the situation has got before tuition or closure occurs," said Ramirez, who added that he did not expect to see tuition or closure implemented for 1981-82.

"Governor Brown has cut just about all that you can cut out of the system and there's only so much revenue we can raise," said Ramirez.

Proposition 13 failed to take into account the programmed structure of the state budget, said Ramirez. "Some programs as like the welfare programs are mandated by law, and their funding can't be touched," he added.

According to Ramirez, this has caused the state schools to carry the brunt of the Proposition 13 cut-backs; cuts which may have seriously maimed the statewide school system.

"Ultimately it (Proposition 13) is going to have to be modified," he added.

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BY JENNY COYLE
Reviewer to the Daily

The chalkboard that hangs outside McClintocks Saloon on Higuera used to boast country-western music by a trio of guitar pickers—all horseshoers by trade.

For lack of a real name, the group was slated under the identity of lead singer and organizer Monte Mills, and when the Lucky Horseshoe Band got started, every Thursday and Saturday night people would line up outside the bar just to hear the band play.

"I was quite a menagerie back then of whoever I could collect up to play with," Mills reflects. "Some nights we'd have a fiddler, others someone would sit in on a harmonica. But time came we needed a name. That's when reality set in and we needed a name. It's quite a menagerie back then of whoever I could collect up to play with.

Six years and three albums later, the group has grown to six players. A drummer, fiddler and harmonica player have been added to the original bass, lead and rhythm guitar positions.

Monte Mills and the Lucky Horseshoe Band play everything from country to rockabilly, with a few weddings and barbecue engagements added in the summer months.

Mills, who plays rhythm guitar for the band—which may be the most popular country music group in the county—says they've played for just about every organization around that could hire them.

Yet the sign still swings at the end of Mill's long dirt driveway offering horseshoeing services for local horseowners. The leather boots and other cowboy paraphernalia within his home indicate that he still holds dear his rural life background.

Mills was raised in Olathe, Colorado, population 900. He picked up his horseshoeing skills at the age of 13 when he couldn't afford a shoe for his own horse.

By the age of 16 he had his own small shoeing business, and even while working on his degree in biology at Fort Lewis College, Mills shod horses on the weekends.

Mills made his way to San Luis Obispo when a horseshoeing friend of his told him he could take over the business he had going here.

"Besides that," adds Mills, "I liked to rope calves in those days, and they had that going on out at Madonna Inn every Wednesday back then."

His musical talents were discovered in 1976 when Mills was shooting for a prestigious horsemen's club, the Rancho Vistadores. On one of the club's seven-day rides, he entertained in the evenings by playing his guitar and singing at the campfire.

A studio musician, Dusty Broads, commented on Mills' popularity and encouraged him to cut an album. Although Mills had no training in singing ("I learned to do that by listening to the radio when I'd drive places"), he took a trip to Los Angeles and cut "Monte Mills Sings Old Favorites." When friends and neighbors in San Luis Obispo heard the album, they wanted to hear him play live. That's how he ended up at McClintocks Saloon.

Monte Mills (above) and the Lucky Horseshoe band will perform at the Vet's Hall 9 p.m. Saturday night in an appig stomp sponsored by NAMA.

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The other five band members all hold "real jobs" as varied as the instruments they play.

Lead guitarist Peter Morgan, a Cal Poly graduate with a degree in graphic arts, has a job in Salinas, but Mills says he's grateful for the fact that Morgan makes trips south to play with the band.

Then there's Allan Dick, the fiddler, who is a stockbroker in Santa Maria. Mills refers to him as "a real sharp guy."

The drums are handled by a local, Bob Huddle, who is also an English teacher at San Luis Obispo High School. The band leader says Huddle is an on-the-ball guy and well-liked by students.

Lee Rickford, on bass guitar, owns a machine shop in Morro Bay with his... Please see page 5
father. "He must be the steadiest bass player a group could ask for," says Mills. "I'm happy to have him."

“Old Times” has more meanings the more you think about it. First of all, it refers to the old times certain characters in the movie had. And then, also, it hints that this movie is meant to be in the style of the old screwball comedies. Lastly, it brings Goldie Hawn and Chevy Chase together again for (the producers hope) the same chemistry that sparked their first hit, “Foul Play.”

In the bewildering array of movies that opened last Christmas, “Seems Like Old Times” is definitely worth a peek at, especially for all Chevy Chase and Goldie Hawn fans.

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"We do a lot of jazz and swing-style leads, but if we're going to try rock 'n' roll, it's more than likely to be the early '50s stuff. We're not too progressive," he says.

Mills' goal is to play music that's easy to dance to, and that's easy to flirt to. The band encourages flirting by suggesting guys and girls to dance a little closer or hold on a little tighter.

"It's all part of the atmosphere," he says. "It's fun, exciting, and good action — all to the flavor of country wholesomeness."

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Police: inconsistent success in new LP

BY JIM MAYER
Review Editor

The Police are a trio of musicians that add up to an entire force of lowered punk, but pop rockers. As demonstrated in their newest release on A&M Records, "Zenyatta Mondatta," the Police possess the talent and creativity to make the three-man band successful in the tradition of Cream and Grand Funk Railroad.

When the band—Stewart Copeland on drums, Andy Summers on lead guitar and Sting on bass—wants to, it can manipulate the instruments and voices into the full noise produced by much larger groups.

"Don't Stand So Close to Me," the first cut on the album, is a good example of this complex, innovative style.

Besides describing a schoolgirl's infatuation on her teacher, the lyrics brought to life by sharp, critically-forc'd harmonies, become a catalyst for fixing the limited number of instruments. The band tries to repeat this successful recipe in "De Do Do Do, De Do De Da," but while the lyrics work musically, they fail dramatically as words delivering a message.

The Police have broken new ground by incorporating harmony, a previously extinct device in punk rock. While the harmonies are not precise, they do produce a unique sound that has become a trait of the band since its 1979 hit, " Roxanne."

In "Zenyatta Mondatta," the Police has also taken a decisive step toward the reggae style, characterized by odd rhythm beats, guitar and percussion. The Jamaican-style based song is a leftover from the earlier days of England's Rolling Stones and Eric Clapton, but new for punk.

Unfortunately, this latest release doesn't maintain the same quality throughout its 10 cuts.

The instruments and voices don't come together in the same inventive way. In fact, in two instruments cohesion is lost when the vocals are abandoned. The result is three talented—but individual—musicians.

Trivia buff to meet in the College Bowl

BY MARY CORBIN
Staff Writer

College Bowl, the very sport of the mind, where students compete to answer questions in a similar fashion to that of TV quiz shows, will take place on campus Sunday Jan. 18.

If you're one of those persons feeling the pressure of overworked brain cells from too much studying, try a more exciting use of the mind with the thrill of competition.

College Bowl in the 1960s question-and-answer game in which teams of four face off against each other to score the most points. It is played on hundreds of campuses across the country, where the first competition takes place among students attending the same school. The winning group from each campus is then chosen to represent their school in intercollegiate and championship play, said Karen Krehbiel, chairman of the Recreation and Tour-naments Committee.

The final playoffs in College Bowl if a team continues to win, is national competition. The team that wins the national crown represents the United States in College Bowl's World Championship.

Each game between two groups consists of a 20-minute round of broad questioning dealing with current events, history, science and trivia questions.

Any four students who think they have the wit, well-rounded knowledge and sharpness to compete on an intellectual basis can qualify for the College Bowl. "It is best to form a group of persons who are quite varied on different special interests," said Krehbiel.

Last year teams in the Nationals competed for over $16,000 provided by College Bowl and The Reader's Digest. Cal State-Fresno took the National Championship, along with $3,500 in scholarship money, according to College Bowl information guide.

"It is mainly a very educational experience," said Krehbiel. The last day to fill out applications is Friday, Jan. 16 at the UU ticket office.

The following are two sample questions and answers chosen from the College Bowl packets sent to each campus.

"Its range is more than an octave—are objections to its adoption—emphasized its base in a single event but made official in 1931. What is it? The Star Spanabled Banner.

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Poly seeks league win

The Cal Poly women's basketball team has dug itself into a deep hole and coach Marilyn McNeil quite frankly, does not know what to do about it. The Mustangs host their first Southern Collegiate Athletic Association (SCAA) home game of the year against Northridge tonight in the Main Gym at 8 p.m.

The Mustangs take to the floor against the Matadors with the hope of salvaging some respect out of a 4-11 season. Poly has lost 10 of its last 11 games, including an eight-game skid before Christmas. Poly is 0-2 in the SCAA after losing to University of San Diego, 57-50, and to the University of Redlands, 76-68, and to the University of San Diego, 57-50.

With 13 games still on the schedule, Poly can still piece together a winning season but it will not be easy.

Northridge has not been having one of its banner seasons either as it is also off to an 0-2 start in the conference. Northridge lost to Cal State Los Angeles, 86-80, and to Cal Poly Pomona, 97-53.

The Matadors are led by Tracey Burns, who had a 23-point and 14 rebound performance against Cal State Los Angeles, and Patricia De La Riva. Burns is averaging 10.1 points per game. The Mustangs will counter with Laura Bushung and Colleen Finney, Bushung has been averaging 20.0 points per game and Finney has been at an 11.8 clip. Kristen Kopp tops the rebounders with 5.1 per game.

Poly hopes to improve its non-conference record this weekend also as it hosts the University of Pacific on Sunday at 6 p.m.

Sports

Gymnasts open year on road

The Cal Poly women's gymnastics team opens its season on the road this weekend as it takes on Cal Poly Pomona and U.C. Davis.

Pomona is the defending west regional champion and finished No. 11 at the AIAW Division II championships last season. Davis finished second at the Division III Nationals last season.

Coach Andy Proctor expects a strong showing from new recruit Pam Dickie in the all-around events. "Like any gymnastics meet, the balance beam will be the key event," Proctor said. "If something goes wrong on the beam, it is difficult to make up points in the other three events."

Gay Students Union

Jan. 19 Off Campus Social 7:30pm
Jan. 20 Human Rights Rally
Jan. 21 Guest Speaker 6:30pm

Swimmers hosts Davis

BY RON HUTCHERSON

FACING U.C. Davis, the No. 4-ranked Division II swim team in the nation, may not be exciting to too many teams this year, but it is a meet Cal Poly men's swim coach Mark Johnson is looking forward to. Poly hosts Davis Saturday at 10 a.m.

Johnson said he felt Cal Poly could upset Davis by winning the stroke events, those other than freestyle. The reason for this strategy is that Davis is led by Vern Rogers, who finished in the top five in both the 50 and 100 freestyle events at last nationals.

The Mustangs have a good chance against Cal Poly as it has had 12 straight road losses for Poly as it has had 32 straight road losses. Poly hopes to improve its non-conference record this weekend also as it hosts the University of Pacific on Sunday at 6 p.m.

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Ronald Reagan, 1968

Next Tuesday, Ronald Reagan will be sworn in as the 40th president of the United States. It’s important for us as students to think about the implications of the coming Reagan administration. Besides the fact that you voted or didn’t vote for him, like or dislike him, or whatever; we must consider the economic realities that Reagan’s policies may bring.

If the past is any indication of future events, then expect cuts in federal monies for education. Reagan has never been supportive of higher education and students. This is evident in his remarks about them as they are the way he laid out the state budget as the governor of California. Therefore, why should it be any different when he assumes the office of the presidency?

Add to this the problem of inflation and the state of the American economy. Reagan and his transition team have already admitted that the whole thing is a lot more complicated than they’d originally thought. Inflation will surely be a problem in the future education budget, further, and future funding cuts could prove disastrous for universities and colleges.

Already we can see the effects of inflation on Cal Poly; registration fees are going up every year; some departments, such as mechanical engineering, don’t have the funds to keep qualified instructors; and there’s talk of charging tuition—soon.

Students have to deal with this, besides having the cost of living skyrocket. Remember last year, when a half-gallon of milk cost 96 cents? It’s now hovering around $1.03. Can we as students afford any more budget cuts? Of course, it’s not the kind of problem that has an easy solution. Inflation seems to be here to stay, and Reagan can’t be un-elected. But it’s important to be aware of it.

It’s just a little something to ponder while you’re watching Reagan’s $8 million inauguration on Tuesday.

The guilt is ours

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Editor
As a fellow student of Robert Lee, I feel he is entitled to an answer to his "Look, and Don’t Touch," or rather his variation of having to check out his desired periodicals, and then being forced to return them when he finishes his scanning or reading them.

Several years ago, students at Cal Poly did not steal, magaze or misplace current periodicals. Several years ago, the Cal Poly Library was not as organized as it is today. Several years ago, there were fewer people working in the periodical section. These facts have all changed and now Mr. Lee, all our student brothers and sisters must face the New World of Order. Yesterday this nation could afford the latitude of the "Racist Reader" of some students, but cannot now.

If, in fact, the present periodicals die an ignominious death of not being sought out and read, then the crime rests not on the Library’s shoulders. The crime rests on the quivering shoulders of those who refuse to pursue the truth in education through the expression of effort on all students. They must search out the answer.

Perhaps Mr. Lee is the very busy and overly important student that has been rewarded for the overly important "I" syndrome, perhaps it’s better that he stay that way; for myself, the library is a great aid and shall remain as fine a center of learning as I, myself am willing to work for.

Charles S. Seaver

Mustang Daily

BY MARY McCALISTER

Affirmative Action programs are viewed as the panacea for society’s racial ills, but they are little more than a placebo which eases politicians’ minds while sugar-coating the true disease. The programs are correctly heralded as positive steps toward racial integration, but cannot be deemed a solution to the racial problems that besige the United States.

While the overt racism that plagued the country in the 19th and early 20th centuries has essentially disappeared, there still remains a subtle, more dangerous form of racism which can only be cured by changing the basic attitudes and behaviors of the American public.

This prejudice often goes undetected until it manifests itself in unfair hiring practices and discriminatory housing laws or explodes into racial riots such as occurred recently in Miami.

While Affirmative Action programs will help eliminate unfair hiring practices, they fail to reach the root of the problem which lies in the ghettos and barrios of our larger cities and in the housing projects of nearly every American community.

No Affirmative Action program, no matter how well organized and conducted, will reach the people who must need it unless it is accompanied by a program to re-educate the American public.

Such a program should be aimed at re-defining the role of minorities in this country and at re-shaping attitudes that have built up over several generations of racism.

Thus, rather than praising Affirmative Action programs as the cure for racial problems, we must see them as merely a drop in the bucket which must be filled to the brim with the milk of human kindness toward all people.

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End racism through education

BY TERESA HAMILTON

Cal Poly’s method of appointing department heads is ineffective at best, and leans toward an authoritarian structure.

At other CSUC campuses, faculty select the chairperson who chooses a department head to represent the faculty.

Cal Poly faculty, however, are not as closely involved in the selection process. Instead, faculty members review the candidates and must submit at least three nominees to the President. The president then appoints the university administrator himself.

Not only does this system leave President Warren Baker with too much authoritarian power, but it removes the appointment process away from those who can best select the proper department head—the faculty themselves.

An administrative system which tends to exclude faculty participation was frowned upon by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges when it examined Cal Poly for accreditation purposes in 1990.

WASC noted in its report: "The historic perception of an authoritarian centralized administration and a passive faculty senate that can only offer advice continues to characterize the structure and operation of Cal Poly SLO.

This may be seen in the appointing power of the president, the informal arrangements for faculty participation in the selection of department heads and members of standing committees of the university, as well as in the selection and removal of administrators at all levels.

If Cal Poly administrators are truly interested in the welfare of the students, then this old system of departmental appointments through the judgment of the President should be abolished.

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