Union leader raps Chavez, praises Poly

by LARRY EDWARDS

Teamsters Union Pres. Frank Fitzsimmons lashed out against rival labor leader Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers in a packed Chumash Auditorium Thursday.

Fitzsimmons' talk began with several minutes of praise for Cal Poly and its students, who "spend more time in the classroom than in campus demonstrations," but evolved into a bitter condemnation of Chavez and his supporters.

Teamsters and the UFW have been involved in a controversial struggle for contracts with farm workers and growers for several years.

In regards to Chavez' talk of a "non-violent activism," Fitzsimmons said the UFW's dedication to violence is "a matter of record.

Fitzsimmons' speech was interrupted several times by hecklers. In one instance it was stopped for over a minute when a man stood up and loudly addressed the crowd in Spanish.

Many in the audience were carrying the red, white and black flag of the UFW.

"This is not my flag," said Fitzsimmons, "my flag is made up of stripes and stars on a blue background," eliciting boos and jeers from the crowd.

Fitzsimmons went on to explain that the Teamsters contracts are superior to those of the UFW "in every respect.

According to the union chief this is why the UFW's membership has gone from "as all-time high of 60,000 down to 5,000, with only two contracts left.

"Workers know that growers have more respect for a professional labor union," Fitzsimmons said, "than a movement masquerading under the banner of a union.

"This is why elections Chavez talks about are conducted by private citizens," and wouldn't be reliable.

"Chavez knows he can't win the support of the farmers," he said.

Agricultural workers are not covered under the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. Fitzsimmons said, but his organization favors legislation to change this.

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Cal Poly's master plan was given unanimous final approval Wednesday by the Board of Trustees. Although actually approved by a committee of the trustees (Campus Planning, Building and Grounds), the action represents the final OK for the master plan.

On Jan. 30 the trustees met and delegated the final approval to the special committee. The master plan provides for a growth of up to 18,000 students here by around 1979-80.

University Pres. Robert E. Kennedy, who attended the Wednesday meeting in San Diego, was confronted by opposition to two of the plan's most controversial items—married student housing and temporary faculty office space.

Kennedy was challenged by trustee Ray Brophy is Poly alumna of the married student housing subject. Brophy questioned the merits of including the housing in the master plan. Poly's head expressed hope the university would be able to keep rental costs within the means of students who now find themselves priced out of the market. He added a specific married housing plan will be developed since trustees approval has been received to use a site adjacent to the Grand Ave. entrance.

The number of units expected in the project would be over 900, according to Kennedy. The other controversial item approved Wednesday was office space for faculty. A total of 11 relocatable office units will be moved to nine different present office sites on campus with an addition 10 units to be added later.

Kennedy said the 15 units will accommodate 10 faculty and other staff members.

In addition, Kennedy pointed out that faculty and staff now located in Tenaya Hall are required to move at the end of the year in order to make room for student housing.

Faculty and staff members were assigned to Tenaya residence hall three years ago when the demand for off-campus student housing fell off. However, with the new demand, federal funds require the hall to be reversed back to student housing.

Kennedy claimed the two most important facility goals were a life science building and a faculty building.

"It will be a few years before we will be straining mightily to obtain the necessary facilities. The effect of the approved master plan on campus growth will depend upon whether or not the buildings on the master plan can be constructed," said Kennedy.

The cost of the life science building is estimated at $4 million. Kennedy said Wednesday he did not think either building would be completed until around 1979.

Other features of the master plan include:

- Construction of a new multipurpose sports arena north of the Highland Drive entrance at the present tennis center site.
- Addition of a performing arts center auditorium adjacent to the Cal Poly Theatre and the Harold P. Davidson Music Center.

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**Dumke rejects student on board**

Student representation belongs to all administrative groups where the decisions made affect the well-being of the students. There is presently no official representation on the Board of Trustees for the state college system. The University of California Board of Regents recently voted to allow a student representative to sit on the board. This student will have an equal vote to any of the other regents. He will be chosen from one of the campuses in the system; a requirement being that he presently holds an office at a university.

Dumke, our board of trustees, which has final vote on major policy decisions on what kind of education we will receive, has student representation clip when they want it. And then, the students are represented by the student body president, who, even if they clearly hold a position, could possibly have a conflict of interest.

Chancellor of the system, Glen Dumke, doesn't feel that a student belongs on the board. However, last week he spoke at Poly and said:

"A student on the board would only muddy the water for all the constituents who need representation."

I totally disagree with his comment. On one hand Dumke is ad­mitting that students do need representation. But, he is also saying that they shouldn't be represented by a student. It also sounds like he is fearful a student would change things on an otherwise placid group.

Dumke also said having a student on the board would reduce the integrity of the board. I can't see how a student would reduce the integrity of the board unless forcing the trustees to listen to student demands and listen to student insight is somehow undesirable.

The chancellor said the trustees should stand between the institution and the people it represents (the students). But when the trustees decide on all the policies, how can they possibly separate the two? A student could bring policy decisions down to a student level, and could inform the trustees when policies aren't beneficial to the group.

"Their message is typical of what's going on around us today," he said.

Chancellor's quote: "Production of Creme de la Creme, starring Coffee House's top attractions with two special guest stars, will present a one-night performance Friday, Oct. 28, in the Us-Conservatory series sponsored by the Special Events Committee. The show begins at 6 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium."

As special guest stars, the Rocha Sisters, Maggie and Terre, will present their own unique brand of folk-blues music. The New York pair use all original material in their gypsy-composition. Their Cal Poly per­formance marks the end of their first western tour as Columbia recording artists.

The duo have completed a new album, produced by Paul Simon, which will be released in March. They met Simon as students in a song-writing class he instructs at Columbia University. According to Special Events Committee chairperson Fred Krickland, the Rocha Sisters deliver social commentary through their music.

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Unless pressure is brought to bear on the Dept. of Labor, the High School Equivalency Program (HEP) could be forced out of existence, members of HEP warned the Student Affairs Council Wednesday night.

SAC was asked to consider a resolution introduced by Fred Heaton, proxy for Ron Supat recently resigned Architecture and Environmental Design representative, asking SAC to express its opposition to the removal of HEP from this campus.

SAC postponed action on the matter at the insistence of several SAC representatives, who asked for time to take the matter back to their school councils and get council reaction. Teachers, students and ad­ministrative personnel of the federally funded program, which is designed to help the children of migrant farm workers receive a secondary education, urged SAC to help save the program from extermination.

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The program is scheduled to be forced off the campus in June when the University takes over the Air Conditioning Auditorium to provide 84 faculty office spaces.

Bastos Arona, HEP coor­dinator, told SAC that the Dept. of Labor, from which HEP receives its federal funds, had told him that if the program was removed from the campus, it would be terminated.

"Other campus are inter­ested in taking up the program," said Arona "such as Chico, Santa Barbara and Bakerfield, but the Labor Department prevents us from transferring the program."

Dean of Students, Everett Chandler, expressed the Ad­ministration's support of HEP and noted that "We can't un­derstand the Labor Dept.'s position."

Arona acknowledged the support of HEP by President Robert Kennedy and said "we have had very good cooperation from him."
**Poly track contingent at UCSB**

The Mustangs have a chance

The Mustangs will compete in their second outdoor meet this season against the Gauchos. Events and Mustang trackmen competing in them are:

Friday, February 11

- Pole Vault—Ken Haagen, and Scott Lewis
- Long Jump—Rose Grimm, Rich Christopher, and Jerry Hougen
- Triple Jump—Christopher and Grimm

Saturday, February 12

- Shot Put—Rich Larralne, Steve Buss, and Pete Van Maare
- High Jump—Bob Gordon, Jim Roberts, Bill Erbe, and Hougen
- Javelin—Jim Oliver, Steve Buss, Talulah, and Hougen
- Van Maare and Buss

Running events:

- 100 yd. dash—Clancy Edwards, Harold Golden, Jim Pickard, Fred Stumpert, Russ Grimm, and John Pickard
- 220 yd. dash—Edwards, Golden, Pickard, Muncie, and Mike Perret
- 880 yd. dash—Bryan Tracy, and Randy Mead
- Intermediate hurdles—Mead, Maliwic; 6 mile—Jim Schankel, Jim Warren, and Bryan Bryant

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The Mustangs are one of four teams being considered for two post season berth in the tournament next weekend at U.C. Irvine. Besides Poly, conference rivals U.C. Riverside and Cal State Bakersfield have a shot at being chosen. In order for the Mustangs to get a berth they must beat Pomona and Riverside and that will be no easy task.

The Mustangs come into tonight's 5 p.m. til 7 p.m. ranked number two in the nation in defense, allowing their opponents just 61.1 points per game. They are also ranked second nationally in free throw percentage, connecting on 77.6 per cent of their charity tosses.

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