Refining the supertanker issue.

Eastern snowstorms, the Lakers and Jimmy Carter have momentarily diverted attention from the West Coast supertanker port proposal. But the hotly contested issue is sure to buck the tide of public opinion more than once before it is resolved.

Opinion—earlier confined almost exclusively to the vicinities of most-mentioned California sites Long Beach and Avila Beach—is gradually beginning to rumble from as far away as Washington, D.C. and Florida.

Some gradually building rumblings are propelled by the prolonged Arctic-like weather conditions in the mid west and East, and the resulting fuel shortages in those areas.

The combination of the two factors has sent temperatures plummeting far below zero, killed factories and businesses, killed dozens of people and caused government and oil industry officials to again focus on the need for a West Coast supertanker facility.

But more than just the need is being discussed. Local, state and federal officials are concerning themselves with the aspect of time, asking when—rather than where—the first of more than 9.6 billion barrels of Alaskan North Slope oil will begin entering the 48 contiguous states.

Over the last six months, when Standard Oil of Ohio (Sohio) and state agencies had the luxury of time to back over optimal position for the port, Avila Beach and the San Luis Obispo County coast were most frequently mentioned.

But with the now pressing immediacy of need for the oil—coupled with the completion of the Trans-Alaskan pipeline this summer—"when" has become a prime factor and has thrust Long Beach back into the limelight.

With existing oil receiving and refining capabilities, Sohio officials say the Southern California site could be expanded to allow Alaskan oil tankers to begin unloading there as soon as next year.

An Avila Beach site would require virtual ground up construction and would not be operational for about three years.

This aspect of time appears to have closed the door on any immediate possibility of Sohio building the port at or near Avila Beach.

"I seriously doubt that port will be put in here," San Luis Obispo County Councilman T. Keith Gormez said last week. "Two state legislators recently told me we can count out Avila. They feel the pollution objections to Long Beach will be done away with.

"I feel pollution objections have been the primary reason Avila Beach and the Central Coast have been so attractive to Sohio, the California Air Resources Board and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency."

The latter two organisations, in particular, have opposed construction proposals in existing Long Beach Harbor and docking facilities.

They contend the already poor air quality of the surrounding Los Angeles Basin would be unable to safely absorb oil tanker and storage tank emission. The gases have been estimated to equal the exhaust of between four and six million automobiles.

With the apparent rationale, "the cleaner the air, the more you can dump into it," both the ARB and EPA have favored a San Luis Obispo County site—largely because of the area's clean atmosphere.

Robert Carr, San Luis Obispo County deputy air pollution control officer, disagrees with this philosophy.

"We shouldn't have the project forced on us simply because the air where they (presumably Sohio and the ARB) want it is dirtier than ours," Carr said.

"We haven't as yet received any applications for the project, and if they (Sohio) really want it, they would have let us know," Carr said.

"We haven't as yet received any applications for the project," he continued. "It's kind of a gleam in someone's eye. But if the plan would cause receding ambient air quality—I think it would—I would say we would have to deny the application."
Where is the strength in nuclear power?

In his first White House press conference, Pres. Jimmy Carter said Tuesday the United States and the Soviet Union are about equal in nuclear strength. The strength, he said, is strong enough to destroy a large portion, 80 million to 100 million people, of either nation.

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Tax return avalanche

RENO (AP)—The In-
come tax return season is
well under way with over
150,000 returns filed in the
past week and with over
200,000 returns expected
to be filed before April 15.

Twenty-five percent of
returns were filed before
April 1.

The deadline was April 15
for filing personal income
returns in Nevada.

The Internal Revenue
Service in Reno said 150,
000 returns were filed from
March 17 to 19.

The IRS estimated about
130,000 returns had been
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The Reno regional office,
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The super port we need, but nobody wants

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This is the practice of filling empty storage holds with sea water for ballast and forcing the release of petroleum vapors from the compartments.

Schaadt replied "that's a bunch of baloney!"

He explained: "Purging only happens during a change from black' cargo (petroleum products) to bulk white' cargo or for repairs. Purging is a very dangerous practice in port and can and should be done at sea."

Schaadt said Sohio has yet to file project permit application for either project site. The wait is for the public release in the next few months of the California Environmental Impact Report Hearings and the Federal Impact Statement Report.

He said that shortly afterward—most probably during the summer months—Sohio will file permit applications in Long Beach.

About the same time that Sohio files these applications, construction of the Trans-Alaskan from North Slope to Valdez, Alaska will end. No more than six months later oil is scheduled to begin flowing at the rate of up to two million barrels per day.

With the assurance of oil by 1979, oil companies to ship it and a market waiting to buy it, the prospect of having no port to ship it to is beginning to discourage many—particularly the state of Alaska.

In a Jan. 13 telephone interview, Jack Quisenberry, executive assistant to Senator Minority Whip Ted Stevens, said Alaska doesn't care where California puts the port—only that they decide soon.

"We don't have a preference for either Southern California or San Luis Obispo," he said. "The fact that Sen. Stevens' parents live in Long Beach has nothing to do with it. We have no preference."

Quisenberry also said he thinks California lawmakers are concerning themselves too heavily with environmental matters.

"The United States is asking us to take on severe environmental risks, such as with drilling and the pipeline itself. We are doing these things," he said. "And therefore feel it is only fair that other states take their share of the risks. We love our beaches no less than anyone else."

Quisenberry agreed that no matter how soon the port site is decided on, the west coast will be unable to accept the first North Slope oil when it becomes available later this year.

The oil should be shipped through the Panama Canal into Gulf Coas and eastern seaboard ports—a process involving much time and expense, Quisenberry said.

"The easiest and least expensive thing to do is ship the oil to Japan, where it could be traded for Arab oil they hold in the Middle East."

This in turn could be easily shipped to our east coast ports," he explained.

A major hurdle to be cleared with this plan involves the original public law granting construction of the Trans-Alaskan pipeline. One of its clauses states that oil from the pipeline is not to be transported to foreign ports under any circumstances.

"This could be changed by a simple act of Congress though," Quisenberry said. "And we expect Congress to be asked this spring or so."

Quisenberry said Stevens has not been asked to compromise the proposal.

"Anything is possible," he added.

As the number of possible sites grows, so will the probability of a meaningful final decision being made.

At Senate Interior Committee hearings in December, committee members laid displeasingly at California's objections to any Long Beach port site, citing the long distance of its pipeline and the many additional delays of the final shipments from Valdez.

If these objections continue, and if the AEC approves Sohio's summer port applications in Long Beach, federal interest is another possibility.

Betsy Moler, senior editor of the Oil Price Information Service of Chicago, recently said, "It is a federal decision as to what the port site is, but the committee is aware that no rational person is going to place a pipeline so long and expensive when oil laws change in time."
**Nominations for Academy Awards**

Los Angeles (AP) - Peter Finch, who died Jan. 14 of a heart attack, was nominated Thursday for an Oscar as best actor for his performance as the messianic TV anchor man in "Network."

"Network," captured 10 nominations in the 49th awards of the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences, tying with "The President's Men" for the most nominations with eight. Followed by "Bound for Glory" and "Rocky," which were named for best picture, along with "Network," "Rocky" and "Taxi Driver."

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SAE Toyota to be in grueling Parker Dam race

by NOEL A. DAVI
Special to the Daily
The Society of Automotive Engineers will be entering a Toyota pickup truck in the Parker Dam 400 off-road race this weekend, Feb. 12 and 13.

Jim Axsell, SAE chairman, and club member Rob Bolt are scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's and club member Rob Bolt is scheduled to pilot Polyo's

The Parker Dam 400 originates in Parker, Arizona. The course covers 540 miles of California and Arizona desert. Most of the roads are missing secondary roads which run from smooth sandy surfaces to treacherous rocky terrain. Drivers are given 15 hours to complete the course. Speed varies from five to 100 miles per hour, depending on road conditions.

Richard Kemblik, associate professor in Engineering Technology and advisor to the club, described the race as a "tough, grueling test of man and machine." He added, "you need a good navigator too, or you can get lost and keep going for days."

Axsell and Bolt will be competing against other private and commercial vehicles—some from as far away as Houston—in the mini-pickup class.

The 1972 Toyota was donated to the club in 1974 by the Toyota Company of America. The truck had a fiberglass camper shell and had been used as a show vehicle. The club acquired the truck with an approximate 4,000 miles on the odometer.

All body modifications were designed and completed by members of the club. Most of the modifications concern safety—the suspension was rebuilt, the frame completely rewelded, a full roll cage and safety harnesses were added.

The engine must be a standard displacement, four-cylinder engine, according to the model year of the truck. Balancing and tuning of the engine are allowed, but the 1960 cubic centimeter displacement cannot be increased.

The Toyota has run in three races so far. In 1974 and 1975, it ran in the Baja 500, a grueling grind that originated in Ensenada. Both times, the truck ran for over 100 miles, before it was sidelined with steering problems.

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Sports Briefs

Football '77 Challenge

Rugby

Sports Information Director Wayne Shaw announced yesterday that the Cal Poly Mustangs have scheduled a game with Division II football powerhouse Portland State.

The Mustangs are slated to travel to Portland Sept. 10 to challenge one of the top rated teams. Portland was ranked first in passing and total offense for the last two years.

Cal Poly's rugby side will try to make it over the 50 mark tomorrow when they host Occidental on the campus field at 1:00.

The Mustangs are 14-0 in this four with a victory over USC and a forfeit over UCLA, and there's no lack of hicks in the hands of the East Co. Rugby Club and UC Santa Barbara.

Baseball

Cal Poly's baseball team will host San Francisco State University today and tomorrow at Poly Field.

Today's game will start at 1:00 p.m. Saturday's game, a doubleheader, will begin at noon.

Basketball

The Mustangs' basketball season will begin with a win for UCI and a 100 to 55 win over Cal Poly. Cal Poly is capable of raising the sufficient money to complete the project.
Mustangs to entertain Roadrunners, Anteaters

by SCOTT CRAVEN

Bakersfield hosted Cal Poly Sunday before an estimated 5,000-colleague crowd.

Coach Warren Jackson and Greg Wheeler are ranked in the top five.

Wheeler feels his record is indicative of the tough conference and the Roadrunners' talent.

"That record proves that we can be just as good any other on a given day," said Wheeler. "They've won a couple in the last two games. The conference race is tough.

With the CCAA schedule winding down Wheeler sees every conference game as crucial.

"It's a key game. After this we'll have to beat Irvine on Saturday. That will determine if we win the conference.

I'm not worried about Irvine. We've lost a couple of games, but we can win if we just play our game.

We anticipate a carbon copy of the type of game we had in Bakersfield last week. We think we can win if we play out game with ball control and good defense.

Wheeler not only sees CCAA games as crucial, but also non-conference games. "All games are important to our overall record," he said.

"That will determine if we can win our conference.

We will get into any post-season play we can. The Anteaters visit Cal Poly no engage in a non-conference game, but Wheeler is not looking too far ahead.

"I'm not worried about Irvine. First we have to beat Bakersfield. Irvine is a good club and we'll have to do better than we did in Bakersfield to improve our record.

Tonight the Mustangs host Bakersfield at 8 o'clock. Saturday night against Irvine will be "Game Night" with any student couple allowed in for one dollar.
A weekend for 54 happy hours

by WENDY HILL

Dally Ball Writer

So, you're that sophisticated college-type, about to make a turn at Valentine's Day? Well, I say you're wrong.

Do you know what I see? I see that little kid still stuck away somewhere inside you. The one who'd burst with joy upon discovering those grabby white envelopes, containing board cards of red-edged with white lace and little white candy hearts inscribed with "kiss me quick," slipped into your desk during recess. Yet you are still that person, the one who flushed with excitement over "I love you" and "Valentine, be mine." Now that you've been discovered, be assured that you're not alone. Just about everybody loves administrative secrets or otherwise. Show that steady guy or gal (or maybe someone you've come to know better) a good time during this Valentine's weekend. Remember, under that tough veneer lie a real romantic, ready to dance.

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