May showers won't end drought

SACRAMENTO—Those May rains that fell on California a couple of weeks ago have not raised the water level in the Central Valley reservoirs. State officials said Wednesday that the water level has dropped 108,100 acre-feet between April 27 and last Monday. The state Drought Information Center reported that the amounts of water stored is slightly more than half of a year ago, and 45 per cent of the 10-year average.

Indiana's legalized cancer cure

INDIANAPOLIS—The controversial substance Laetrile, sold by some as a miracle drug for cancer and denounced by others who say it cannot be legally manufactured and sold in Indiana, is being tried once again. Drug manufacturers have shunned it because the Carter administration has never asked for it. The Federal Food and Drug Administration and American Cancer Society said Wednesday that Laetrile derived from the pits of apricots, has never been proved effective in treating cancer.

First Take

Watergate Specials

WASHINGTON—The Watergate Special Prosecution Force goes out of business next month, quietly ending its lengthy probe of a scandal that toppled a president and shook the nation. "Though some investigations and prosecutions within our jurisdiction remain, the attorney general and I have agreed that these responsibilities do not require the continued existence of this office," said a two-page announcement forwarded by Prosecutor Charles Ruff. "Accordingly, before the middle of June, we will close the special prosecution force."

WASHINGTON—Richard Nixon said last night that former vice-president Spiro Agnew, who resigned rather than face prosecution in a Maryland kickback scandal, was the victim of a double standard. "Because he was conservative, because he was one who took on the press, he got a rougher treatment than would have been the case had he been one of the liberals' pin-up boys," said Nixon. "When I say the liberal pin-up boys, you know exactly what I mean: those who go down the liberal line and who can see all of the wickedness among conservatives and when it's on their side, well, 'Ha, ha, ha, isn't that just fun and games.'"

Dutch drama continues

LONDON—Ambassador Andrew Young, on his way home from visits to South Africa and South Arabian, arrived at a Breasted school and hijacked train Wednesday for the lives of more than 130 hostages.

The gunmen had threatened to start shooting hostages if the government did not meet their demands—freedom for Charles and the political prisoner like his former vice-president Spiro Agnew. The two men were arrested yesterday in a raid on the prison where they were being held.

"Russians and Swedes racists'"

PHILADELPHIA—A student at the University of Pennsylvania was shot and killed by a security guard who mistook him for a robber. The guard, who was later identified as William Johnson, said he had responded to a call on campus.

South Korea down on withdrawal

SEoul, South Korea—Twenty-four years after the end of the Korean War, the United States has told its South Korean ally it is pulling out the last of its ground troops. Neither President Park Chung-hee nor the political opposition likes it. Park said he didn't welcome the withdrawal, but would accept what he said was an "established" American plan.

Gentry relives tale of Manson clan

by CRAIG REEM

Daily American Editor

(Editors note: This is an excerpt from an interview recently conducted by Craig F. Reem in Curt Gentry's San Francisco home.)

"Helter Skelter" has been on bookshelves and stands since 1972. The story, although still fresh in the minds of the millions of readers who made the book a best seller, has slowly faded from the headlines and taken a prominent place among the other infamous crimes of this century.

But for Curt Gentry, co-author of "Helter Skelter", the starkness of Charles Manson's "family" and the bloody Sharon Tate-LaBianca murders are as personal to him as if he had been one of the victims.

Gentry, 43, who co-authored the book with Vincent Bugliosi—the chief prosecutor in the Manson case—has written 15 books covering such diverse subjects as Superstition Mountains in Arizona ("The Killer Mountains"), a look at California ("The Last Great Days of the Late Great State of California") and the colorful madames of early San Francisco ("The Madames of San Francisco").

After spending four years in researching and writing "Helter Skelter", Gentry has embarked on a new book on the last J Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI for 48 years. Gentry recently completed three years of research on Hoover and is about to begin writing the book. Walking into Gentry's cozy home in San Francisco, one was soon overwhelmed by the voluminous number of books stacked neatly in libraries both upstairs and down.

As the conversation spun around Gentry as a non-fiction writer, on his topics and on Hoover, the notice of The City rumbled outside—a cacaphony of cars, people and air-planes.

But as Gentry stared to talk about Manson, an eerie silence pervaded the scene. The noise outside just seemed to fade away.

"Manson Daily: What made "Helter Skelter" a runaway bestseller?"

Gentry: I don't know. I've thought about that myself. I like to think that it was well written. I like to think it was an exciting book, an important book. But just as realistically, I would have said it was the timing. The public was ready for this sort of thing, which nobody can predict.

MD: How did the co-authorship between you and Vincent Bugliosi work?"

Gentry: It was basically Vince's story and I wrote it. Though most of the writing, Vince was tied up with the trial and with some political campaigns. We spent about 70 hours together in interviews and he turned over some amounts of material—the trial transcript, which was over six million words. police reports the like I had never seen.

(Cover photo by Craig Reem)

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I own to the universe a "new thing" that happened to me today. Possibly you, too, may enjoy relating similar痊愈 stories. After a session like this everyone feels mischievous and depressed, certain the world is going to end soon, and wondering if it's worth the effort to get out of bed in the morning to face another day. Pessimism is contagious and so is optimism.

Have you ever met someone who makes the dawn even a little brighter and enjoys getting up in the morning to face the challenges of life? Just being with such a person makes your own spirit rise. It's not healthy to the spirit or to be overly pessimistic. Now a little bit of pragmatism is good and helps keep your feet on the ground when your head is in the clouds. What is the greater accomplishment of the world and the greater accomplishment of every day living been done by people who thought they could, not by people who thought they couldn't. So give yourself a chance, don't be defiled before you've even begun life! You may not be as bad off as you think.

Donna Lee McChesney

Editor:

During the course of this, my first year at Cal Poly, having had the opportunity to gain some insights into Cal Poly consciousness via both daily experience and the letters and articles in the Mustang Daily, as well as going through a few changes myself, I felt suddenly compelled to express myself, as so many have done on a variety of topics.

However, even now I am not certain as to what responsibility, if any, you still have. I sensed a need to say something. Now I find I have virtually nothing to say. Perhaps nothing was needed to be said concerning many of the issues (and non-issues) which appeared in the Daily this past year, especially so considering that, often, nothing was apparently being thought. One can only hope that those who said nothing were thinking more than those who did express themselves; one may only desire the possibility that they were thinking less. But, I've said too much.

In conclusion, since much of the ideological conflict of the past year was religious in nature, it seemed fitting that I end this little monologue on a biblical quote, though, just a basic non-sectarian message. I seem to meet a math major, who claimed the existence of God (supreme being, Creator, etc.) is mathematically "God only knows." I should have said that I also have suggested that this be her major project. In fact, while not necessarily mathematically, perhaps this should be everyone's senior project; perhaps it is. Grading: credit-no credit. Attendance: mandatory.

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Tis the season for hay fever
by I. N. SEBRANT
Daly Sate Writer

It's easy to spot them around campus. They sneeze, itchy eyes, red nose, hoarse voice or sneezing for a... 

They have hay fever and this is their season of misery.

Stan Luis Obispo is one of the worst areas in the state for springtime allergy victims, according to Dr. Thomas Collins of the Cal Poly Health Center staff. Collins said the campus all the prerequre for the dreaded hay fever because of the warm winds and the diversity of vegetation grown on campus.

The seasonal illness, which affects many people of a cold that just won't go away, is most of the area's hay fever sufferers from March until June. Collins said.

The doctor estimated that several thousand Poly students are troubled with hay fever. This causes a substantial rise in student visits in the health center each year, he said. There is no cure for the common ailment caused by the body's reaction to pollen, but Collins said there is relief to be found. Anti-histamines and decongestants, both those popularly advertised and those by prescription are marginally effective in aiding most hay fever victims, the doctor explained.

Allergy sufferers are advised to try three drugs first but for an unlucky few, the common medicines are not enough. The health center can also provide some help for these people.

A process of desensitization is often the next step on the road to relief for hay fever sufferers. This process consists of exposure to minute amounts of those offending pollens which one has been determined to be sensitive to by appropriate skin testing. Injections of these pollens are then given at regular intervals, and the dosage is gradually increased. Eventually, most bodies will build up a tolerance to the pollen making the spring season more bearable.

The campus health facility can give the desensitization treatment usually in about three months. But the initial testing and dosages must be administered off campus by private allergists.

Unfortunately, Collins said, there are no board certified allergists in the country, so students must travel a least as far away as Santa Barbara for doctor visits in order to begin desensitization programs.

The campus physician also pointed out that getting the proper pollens into the shot prescription is often a long and difficult process. However, most of those who get the shots regularly experience 70 to 80 per cent effectiveness.

As a last resort to bring relief, corticosteroids - are prescribed on campus for severe hay fever victims. These drugs suppress the usual response of the body to foreign substances that produce unwanted reactions. Guarimet is only used when all else fails because of the severe side effects. Collins explained. Of course, the ultimate hay fever cure is to move away from the allergy area, this Collins said has been seriously considered by several Poly allergy sufferers.

Collins advises students who suspect they may have hay fever to consult allergy physicians as early as possible when students come to Poly to come in the Triage clinic at the health center. Most hay fever victims can be substantially helped there, he said.

The doctor also suggests students give the medications prescribed, or those purchased over the counter, a fair trial before switching to a different type of drug.

He reminds students with health cards that they can get their drugs significantly reduced rates at the health center.

Spent a summer digging ruins

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Writing wedding contracts

by ELENA-MARIE ROSTER
Daily Associate Editor

According to California law, when a couple marries all property owned becomes the property of both.

Yet the house Mary's twin don't own. John and Jerry and Jane keep their incomes completely separate. The only thing they share costs on is the needs of their two children.

These contracts side stepped California laws by way of a marriage ceremony. In California, if a couple is married by a couple before the wedding ceremony, agreements beyond marriage laws can be legal and binding.

The advantage of a contract is farwaring. Working out this kind of agreement before can help a couple decide whether they really agree with each other's lifestyle and values.

Once the new living situation is discussed thoroughly and written on paper, there is no question as to what is expected from a marriage.

Aside from ownership, contracts can include agreements on marital affairs, living arrangements, children and their care, religion, shared work, separation and the changing of names.

The idea of marriage contracts is coming into vogue more and more as a result of women's liberation, but because of the divorce rate, some men and women—after being financially divorced in a divorce—a marriage contract can protect their interests.

The idea is new. The Victorian philosopher William Godwin and his wife Mary Wollstonecraft, the founder of feminism, condemned England by keeping the idea of marriage to prevent its divorce. Godwin's marriage was not a legal marriage.

They signed a marriage which respected the individual and opposed the prevailing idea that a married couple is one person, and that one person is the man. Marriage laws vary from state to state. It is possible that $500 in costs could be thrown out of the idea if there is one provision that doesn't stand with the law.

Married students feel the pinch

by J. N. SBRANTI
Daily Staff Writer

When married students come to Walter Lambert, off campus housing director, seeking advice about where to live, he said the first thing he does is hand them a brochure.

Due to the high cost of rents and the lack of facilities available, Lambert said married students, particularly those with children, have an extremely difficult time finding adequate housing especially in San Luis Obispo.

Until 1980, housing was available for married couples no campus in the form of trailers and one and two bedroom units. However, the facilities were removed when they became run down and obsolete.

Now, married students' best bet for housing is to be found outside San Luis Obispo in cities like Atascadero, Paso Robles, Los Osos, Lambert said.

This is because the rents are lower and there are more suitable homes and apartments available, explained the director.

Those who do rent outside of San Luis Obispo often do so on a month to month basis as they search for housing nearer campus. Lambert said.

More married students have hopes of staying in the neighborhood of $150 to $200 a month for rent, unfortunately, Lambert said they run into between $600 and $800 a month for rent when they look for housing in San Luis Obispo.

The problems with choosing a mate

by JAMES SWEENEY
Daily Staff Writer

Somewhere in the world is the perfect person for you. But how do you know when you've found The One? Before you answer, let's consider some facts.

Whether you're 19 or 199, the chances of finding The One are slim. According to an article in the New York Times, only 1 in 1000 marriages lead to divorce.

And chances are good that you'll meet The One before you turn 25. According to the same article, only 1 in 25 people will find The One before they turn 25.

So how do you choose a mate? It's not easy. But here are some tips:

1. Get to know each other.
2. Be honest.
3. Communicate.
4. Be patient.
5. Be yourself.

And remember, there's no perfect person. We all have our flaws. The key is to find someone you can work with.

Commentary

by ELENA-MARIE ROSTER
Daily Associate Editor

The numerous beautiful wedding bands, engagement rings, teardrop earrings, and diamond-encrusted tiaras in the window of the local jewelry store are tempting to many. But what about the cost?

Wedding bands can range from $500 to $10,000, depending on the style and materials used. The average cost of a wedding band is around $500. Engagement rings can range anywhere from $500 to $10,000, and the average cost of an engagement ring is around $2,500.

So, what's the cost of wedding bands and engagement rings? It depends on your budget and your taste. But keep in mind that these are just suggestions, and you can always choose something that fits your style and budget.
A bachelor party with class

KEVIN F. FALLS
Daily American Editor

There can be more to throwing a bachelor party than just showing some "down and dirty" side of the host. There is a sensitive side to the bachelor party that can be brought out.

It is true that bachelor parties are held to have a good time, but they are also a time to celebrate the idea that the bachelor is about to be tied down. It is a time to remember that life is going to change, and if the bachelor has any sense, he will enjoy the last party as a single man.

There is a student at Poly who didn't even know what a bachelor party was before he had a chance to throw one. He had planned to throw a "vintage" stag party for a friend who was about to get married. The friend was about to tie the knot, but his roommate had already thrown a party for him.

The friend was not pleased with the party, and decided to throw another one for himself. He invited all of his friends to come to a "fairy tale" party, complete with a seven-course meal and a live band. The guests were expected to dress in formal attire, and the party was to go on until the groom was married.

The friend was about to leave the party with his roommate, who was "just a hair" of getting drunk. The friend was able to make the Friar's Roast at about 7 a.m., and before he knew it, the party was over.

There was some thought in finding a connection for him movies. Not the kind for the whole family. But all admitted that it was to be an exciting experience, and they had a good time. They were at their best.

Another couple wanted a simple, natural look, with an eye on practicality. For instance, the bride may want a semi-formal outfit that can be worn after the ceremony. Arrangements can be made for the wedding service—The Friar's Roast was the most popular, and most of the money the handles are of a religious nature.

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Vince had trust in me and how I handled it. I was able to write the book with a certain freedom. He later went over it chapter by chapter and corrected errors and misperceptions, especially legal points I wasn't familiar with.

MD: Why did it take so long to research and write the book?

Gentry: One reason was that they [the Manson family] didn’t want killing people.

There were a lot of other events, like my being put on Manson's death list.

When I started on the book, Bugliosi was already on the list. Vince would have been vulnerable if people had known that I was working on the book. He would have been vulnerable through me. So it was very quiet for a long time. I couldn't go around talking to people about what I was doing.

By the time I finished the book, the majority of the people of the family were in Northern California prisons and all the people that were still out, like Squeaky and Sandy, had moved up to Northern California to be near them on visitors' days. I was never sure if they would recognize me because I had talked to them extensively.

MD: Manson had an incredible list of local, state and federal offenses. Yes, he always seemed to get probation. Does this tie in with some type of power to get people to do what he asks, or is it the lax attitude of our criminal system?

Gentry: I think both. Manson was a remarkable con man. Obviously that helped him at certain times. As far as his being released, the last time he was released [in 1977], Manson begged them—literally got down on his knees—and cried and said he would never be able to adjust to the world. They let him go.

MD: Now with our criminal system, isn't Manson eligible for parole in 1978?

Gentry: Let me qualify that. He is eligible to apply for parole. Manson—in the foreseeable future—will never be released.

MD: Manson said he would kill Bugliosi. As a con man...

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Gentry: I don't think so. I was very surprised somehow that it didn't happen. I also think Manson aberration—no matter how high or low his times as a leader.

I am interested in any kind of group, the Barker followers or any where the people you personify had contact, are, had contact or have no contact.

Gentry: At looking at us Manson followers and believing in his personal powers and doing things, it's possible that he could probably have harmed you personally but someone hardercore follower in the feel of it.

Gentry: I don't think so. I have a hard time understanding when you're talking about the book and having to do it as long as I've been in the system of thing could happen that people could care too much, be twisted and sick.

MD: You have dealt with a lot of people could kill—and do it angrily.

What, if anything, has been told you about Manson?

Gentry: I like to think that was writing about everything.
Top ten finish is tracksters' goal

Poly cowwd the mill count in Big Ten. It's metric equivalent would be about 89 miles. Poly's place finish last year. However, Poly has been a top Hamlet to get finishes. The last 12 years, Utah have been listed for top ten spot only two times when it tied 11th and 12th when they tied 1968. Poly has taken 13th finishes in 1966, 68, 69, and third in 64, 65, 66, and 75.

Seven Mustangs qualifiers will compete in six events, spearheaded by quarter-mile Tony Lezard. Lloyd is entered in three events, the 400 meters and both the 440 and 1600 meter relays. The senior has already logged 44.4 over 400 meters, which is the fastest Division 11 time in the nation. It also earned him the California Collegiate Athletic Association championship in that event.

"He's got an excellent chance to become the school's first ever national quarter-mile champ," said Miller.

Poly has not turned out a national champ since Clancy Edwards took the 100 and 220 dashes in 1975. The last performance turned in by a Mustang quarter miler has been Bob Newton's second place finish in 1968.

Lloyd was recently honored with the Jim Dana Memorial Award which is given annually to the Most Valuable Track Athlete. Danis was a two-time All American in 1964-65 as an intermediate hurdler.

The MVP will be running up with Mike Bartlett, Jeff Weigel and Bert Williams to form the 1600-meter relay team. The outfit has one of the best times in the nation among Division 11 teams.

Poly covered the mile course in 3:16.8. The metric equivalent would be about two seconds faster which would rank the Mustangs in the same class as Adelphi and Kentucky State, two powerhouse in the relay. They ran 5:56.3 and 5:56.5 respectively in the Penn relays in April.

The Poly intermediate hurdlers will run a clock in the finals. Bartlett and Williams, who currently hold the third and fourth fastest 440 intermediate-hurdle times in the nation, will try to chalk up points for the Mustangs. The stiff competition in NCAA champ Tom Turner of L.A. State and Kentucky State's Randolph Williams.

Turner has timed 49.08 with Williams of Kentucky landing a 49.7 clocking. Poly's Bartlett and Williams have his the top in 51.2 and 51.3 respectively.

Williams scored the Mustang's only eight points in last year's meet when he finished second in the intermedias.

Jim Warrick will be Poly's representative in the 10,000 meters. He figures to challenge for one of the top six spots.

Lloyd and Williams will be coming back to the track to join Hurley Long and Frankie Singer in the 400 meter relays. Long, who is also entered in the 400, will run the lead leg for the team that scored a best time of 10.20 this season.

Poly tracksters who place among the top four in the championships at Fargo and meet the other Division 1 qualifying standards will go to the NCAA Division 1 finals at Champaign, Ill. June 2-4.
Horsemen in cutting contest

DOROTHY NEWELL
Daily News Writer

The horse and rider enter the arena and face a small group of cattle. With little or no guidance from the rider, the horse carefully rounds the group of animals and gently separates one from the rest.

This is the sport of cutting, to be demonstrated at three different cutting shows this weekend. The first show will be Saturday, May 28 at the Wayne Vaughn Ranch, one mile southeast of the San Luis Obispo Airport on Davenport Rd. Sunday, May 29, Cal Poly will sponsor the show to be held in the Bell Unit Arena. Alex Madonna will sponsor the May 30 show at the Madonna Inn.

Cutting is a sport requiring a tremendous amount of skill and patience. It is an entertaining event enjoyed worldwide and involves more money than any other non-racing equestrian sport.

Through instinct and intensive training the horse is able to perform a series of quick, sharp turns or cuts around an animal, causing it away from its group. The horse must then restrain the animal, keeping it in a designated area by itself.

After the horse has succeeded in keeping the animal in one place for a short time, the horseman gives a signal to the mount to allow the animal to join the group and the process begins again.

A well-trained horse should be able to perform this skill in less than a minute. The ride must be quick, precise and careful.

Horses are judged on their ability to control another animal and the horseman is judged on his riding skill. Other factors come into consideration such as the time involved and the rider's ability to refrain from forcing his horse into a decision.

A certain amount of points are awarded to the horse and rider for the skill they demonstrate, each point representing one dollar. The four top contenders in each competition are allowed to collect the money they have earned throughout the competition.

Competitors come from all over the western United States to perform in this event, including several from Cal Poly. A $200 purse is awarded to each of the four winners in the open class. The four winners of the non-professional class will receive $150.

These competitions and the judges are approved by the Pacific Coast Cutting Horse Association and the National Cutting Horse Association. These competitions are the championships for each of the organizations.

The shows will begin at 9 a.m. Admission is free.