PCB exposure worries ballast replacer

BY RUSS SPENCER

On a typical four-hour shift as a student worker for the campus electric shop, Roger Sinsheimer, a 26-year-old engineering-science major, replaces seven fluorescent light ballasts in the brick dorm bathrooms. The ballasts he is replacing, he claims, are similar to the one in Santa Lucia dorm which leaked a substance later found to be 98 percent PCB. He is concerned that being constantly exposed to ballasts which may contain PCB could be hazardous to his health.

"What I want to know," Sinsheimer recently told the Mustang Daily, "is if I'm not risking my health, why am I doing it for only $4 an hour?" Sinsheimer began working at the electric shop over a year ago. He worked with the ballasts off and on until six weeks ago, when his job duties switched from general electrical maintenance to full-time ballast replacement, he said.

And when it became clear that the ballasts contained PCB, nothing really changed other than we were given various pieces of safety equipment.

According to Environmental Health and Safety Officer Donald Van Acker, the safety clothes were issued at his recommendation. He said he ordered workers to wear face shields, eye glasses, rubber gloves, paper-oriented oversuits and boot covers.

Van Acker said the workers "should be free from health hazard if the clothes are worn properly."

BY SHERRY HEATH

Poly police fear passage of fraternity control bill

A "terrible, terrible burden" would be created for the Cal Poly Police Department if a recently introduced state legislative bill is passed that would extend the authority of that university campus police to include fraternity and sorority housing, said campus police chief Richard Brug.

Last week, Brug, a senior hookswoman for Assemblyman Ross Johnson (R-Anaheim) who introduced the bill, said the legislation is specifically in response to complaints from neighbors that fraternity parties at California State University at Fullerton were getting out of hand.

The bill is designed to get police at CSUF "off their duffs," she said. Both the city police and the campus police in Fresno said they have jurisdiction over the off-campus fraternities, and therefore nothing was being done, she said.

But Brug said that at Cal Poly, such a law would be unnecessary because of the "unique cooperation here." Not only are fraternities generally well-behaved here, but we the campus police have a real excellent rapport with the city police," he said.

He pointed out that the two departments periodically meet to discuss problems concerning fraternities and sororities and that the city police "do a good job now" in handling all complaints.

If this bill is passed, we'll be hurting. We're not staffed adequately to handle having to leave campus to cover fraternity problems," said Brug. "And the state universities don't have the resources to alleviate that shortage in manpower."

Sgt. R.J. Downey of the San Luis Obispo Police Department agreed with Brug and said, "They just couldn't handle it — not with the size of their department now."

As it stands, "if something happens at Cal Poly, the campus police take care of it. If it's in the city, we take care of it" But Brug said that if the bill passed, the two police departments would simply "get together and help each other out with fraternity problems."

Brown said Wednesday that the bill has been referred to the Criminal Justice Committee, and that they are seeking input on the issue.

Feeding the elephants is just one of those things that has to be done—at least when the circus comes to town. San Luis Obispo is the town that Circus Vargas is now in, much to the delight of young and old alike. For more on what's under the big top, see page 5.

"Dead Week" may live by fall

BY KAREN GRAVES

A move to eliminate tests and written assignments from the last week of classes each quarter has been initiated by the student senate.

The "Dead Week" resolution approved by the senate in April was suggested by seniors who had complained that with tests the week before finals, students did not have adequate time to prepare for finals, said ASI President Willie Huff.

The resolution must be approved by the Instruction Committee of the academic senate, the academic council and President Warren Baker before it is finally approved. Huff said, if the resolution goes through these channels in a prompt manner, implementation of the policy could occur by fall quarter.

"Dead Week" means no tests or written assignments should be given within the last week of classes, said Huff.

"Make-up exams and final exams regularly held during the last week of classes would be exempt from such a policy."

If this policy is approved, students who are in a class in which a test is scheduled during the last week of class could refuse to take the test and then appeal to the Fairness Board, said Huff.

The resolution probably won't be favored by the administration and the academic senate, said Huff.

"In a quarter system, to limit an instructor's ability by limiting tests and assignments to nine weeks is cutting back on the professor's academic freedom," said the ASI president.

Academic Senate Chairman Tim Kersten believes the idea of the proposed dead week has some merit but the costs and benefits of such a policy would need to be investigated. Such a resolution must be looked at very carefully by each area of the university, said Kersten.

BY JAY KNOCHENHAUER

Special to the Daily

If diamonds are a girl's best friend, then earlier this week John Palmer Meyer was every girl's best friend. A packaging mistake left the 20-year-old Meyer with 23 sparkling diamonds valued at $15,871.

Meyer was expecting to receive a watch he had sent back for repair, "I was very, very surprised," he said describing his initial reaction. "All I could think of was DIAMONDS—AMAZING! My roommates were as excited as I was."

Student Roger Sinsheimer changes a light ballast in a third floor Tenaya Hall women's bathroom.

"Just because people go to college doesn't exempt them from the laws of the local community. The legislature could expand campus police to allow them to respond off-campus but they can't restrict the city police," he said.

But Downey doubts that such a bill could ever become law. He said that "state legislation doesn't have the authority to say that campuses have jurisdiction on that cities don't."

He felt that the bill was simply a result of pressure from the community at Fullerton and said, "It's a great conve- lution, but I think there's no way it could get through all the committees and become law."

Brug said that if the bill was passed, the two police departments would simply "get together and help each other out with fraternity problems."

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House passes Reagan budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan's blueprint to slash federal spending won an easy victory Thursday in the House.

The decisive vote of 253-176 came on a move to substitute a spending plan proposed by Rep. Phil Gramm, D-Texas, and Delbert L. Latta, R-Ohio, for the budget drafted by the Democratic majority on the House Budget Committee.

Reagan, who at first said the Gramm-Latta plan would cut the budget deeper than he had wanted, eventually adopted the plan as his own and embraced it in a speech to a joint session of Congress last week.

A final House vote, to formally approve the budget, was expected by an even larger margin later in the day.

Democrats defected from their party's leadership in droves and joined Republicans to approve the plan. Democrats held a 241-100 majority in the House.

Hours before the House action, Reagan crossed his fingers for good luck and said of the anticipated vote: "wonderful, just wonderful."

Irish mourn Sands' 'Last Post'

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Three masked IRA gunmen fired volleys over the graves of 80,000 mourners who streamed through Belfast Thursday, before the hunger striker was buried among the graves of hundreds of other Irish activists.

A bugler played "The Last Post" as the coffin, draped with a green, white and orange Irish flag with a black beret and gloves on top, was lowered into the earth as an Irish Republican Army cemetery plot.

Sands' 7-year-old son, Gerard, watched along with Sands' sister Marcella Kelly, who stood with her arm around the boy.

As Belfast Catholic areas came to a stand still for the funeral procession in drizzling rain, rioting broke out in the city, where 3,000 people joined in a silent march of mourning.

Rioters hijacked two television crews' cars, one used by CBS-TV and another belonging to a British station, Independent Television. Police said several other vehicles were hijacked and that a police car was fired on.

There were no immediate reports of injuries.

In Belfast, security forces were on alert and deployed around the city, but deliberately kept a low profile.

Troops put up vast canvas screens alongside the sole Protestant housing district, Suffolk-Blacks Road, near the boy.

Protestant housing district, Suffolk-Blacks Road, near the march of mourning.

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Talks to end coal strike resume

WASHINGTON (AP) — Talks aimed at ending a 42-day-old nationwide coal strike resumed Thursday after a three-week hiatus with the president of the United Mine Workers maintaining that coal operators engineered the return to the bargaining table and that the union is not ready to compromise.

B.R. Brown, chief negotiator for the industry's Bituminous Coal Operators Association, refused to answer reporters' questions as he entered the negotiating session at a Washington hotel.

Until President Sam Church, asked, what had brought union negotiators back to the table, said simply:

"The operators.
"Church also asked whether the union has decided to compromise on its demands. He replied, "No, we haven't."

The soft-coal mine owners have been silent since Brown broke off talks April 17.

Israel warns Syria of war risk

BEIRUT: Lebanon (AP) — About 4,000 Syrian troops and tanks were reported to have crossed the Israeli-set "red line" in southern Lebanon Thursday in defiance of the Jewish state's repeated warnings that Syria risked war if it violated the boundary.

The action, if confirmed, would precipitate the Reagan administration with a major escalation of the Mideast crisis.

Lebanese government sources said the Syrians deployed in Sehmar and 'Veitmar on the western flank of Lebanon's eastern Bekaa Valley and in southern Lebanon's Kfar Tilm, just eight miles north of Israel's northernmost border town of Metulla.

The reported advance pushed Syria's forward position in southern Lebanon 12 miles beyond the 25-mile "red line" along the Zaharani River that Israel said Syria agreed to five years ago. Israel has warned Syria it risks war with the Jewish state if Syrian forces cross the line.

There was no comment from Israel or Syria, but Western diplomats in Beirut said if the advance was confirmed it would aggravate the explosive crisis generated by the deployment of Syrian surface-to-air missiles in eastern Lebanon April 28 after Israeli jets shot down two Syrian helicopter gunships.

Reagan welcomes Japan leader

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan, welcoming Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki to a two-day round of White House meetings, called Thursday for harmony between the two nations and thanked Japan for its help in checking Soviet expansionism.

Suzuki responded with a pledge of "solidarity" and "cooperation" in working for a future of global prosperity and peace.

After the welcoming ceremony, under sparkling skies on the South Lawn of the White House, the two leaders entered the Oval Office where they posed for photographs.

As a wave of Japanese photographers approached, Suzuki told Reagan: "You are as well known in Japan as I am."

American officials hoped the summit meetings between the two leaders will lead Japan to take more responsibility for its own defense and to help guard sea lanes from an expanding Soviet navy.

But officially the sessions are called a chance for the two to get acquainted and to "set the framework for future concrete decisions."
Budget submitted to senate

BY MARY McALISTER

A controversial revised budget proposal was introduced to the student senate Wednesday, and the senate also acted on some of the many legislative measures introduced last week.

This was the last week that new business could be introduced on the senate schedule, so several new proposals and a flood of new codes and bylaws that, along with the budget, will occupy most of the agenda for the remainder of the quarter.

Finance Committee Chairman Peter Schuster distributed copies of the revised 1981-82 budget proposal that included adjustments for the added revenue from the fee increase and asked senators to review the figures and also look at the priority listing used by the finance committee to decide funding levels.

The priority list organized all coded organizations into groups under headings such as necessary services, large student participation, a sense of cultural awareness and diversity. Each group was ranked according to financial priorities. Please see page 6

‘Distant farm’ becomes top producer, lecturer says

BY GREGOR ROBIN

New Zealand is now a major trader with the United States and has a governmental stance toward trading with any country, regardless of the country’s political stand, said New Zealand Consul General David L. Gamble Thursday.

The country, once labeled “Britain’s distant farm” trades most of its wool with the Soviet Union and exports more sheep meat than any other country, the Consul General said.

Before World War II New Zealand did 90 percent of its exports and imports with Britain, he said. “Following World War II we developed close trade with the United States,” said Gamble, who works out of Los Angeles. “Now the U.S. is our major trading market. We buy and sell on the best world markets accessible regardless of their world political views.”

Seventy percent of New Zealand’s total export earnings are from agriculture, he said. The two main islands, equaling one-third the size of California, are referred to as the north and south islands.

“Those soils are, in fact, acidic, not fertile, and require extensive fertilizer application,” he said, to a group of less than 50 students and teachers in the Little Theater. “One of the problems we must deal with in trade are the graphical facts of our location. We’re half way around the world from our trade. Britain is 13,000 miles away. New Zealand also faces the problem of protectionism from other countries. It is our single greatest problem in trade.”

Gamble said all the northern countries have a high system of price support and have taken unfair steps to protect their markets.

“I hope I’ve practically got you crying here,” the Consul General said in mock self pity. “We can’t depend on abnormal mechanisms to trade. Surpluses by big industrial countries have been dumped on other countries, hurting our trade.”

New Zealand is on the world rankings in trade with exports of wool, (No. 4 in the world), dairy products, (No. 3 in the world), and sheep meat, (No. 1 in the world), he said.

In the last 30 years New Zealand’s economy has had some major shifts, he said. They have developed a major steel industry based on sand. “Iron in sand has become the basis of the steel market there,” the Consul General said. “We export steel to the United States.”

New Zealand and establishing residency is something very difficult to do, he said. A person must have relations there, or be of some type of positive assistance to the country. New Zealand also recognizes humanitarian needs of other countries. They took in many Vietnamese when they were exiled.

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IRON IN SAND HAS BECOME THE BASIS OF THE STEEL MARKET THERE. THE CONSUL GENERAL SAID. "WE EXPORT STEEL TO THE UNITED STATES."
Pantomime is serious discipline, clown says

BY KARIN RICH

Daisy, the Mime believes there is a clown inside everyone. So does San Luis Obispo resident Fran Dukehart, who created the character of Daisy six years ago. According to Dukehart, who considers herself an actress, she invented Daisy the Mime from one of "the different faces within me." She thinks there are different personalities within all of us," said Dukehart.

Since her creation, Dukehart said Daisy has performed at schools, hospitals, birthday parties and with the Central Coast Children's Theatre. Most recently she was hired by Circus Vargas — which pulled its trucks into Madonna Plaza Thursday morning — to be its advance clown, and to do publicity for the show while it's in town.

Daisy is a friendly figure, appearing in white face and dressed in holey clothes. Daisy has a floppy hat with a daisy — the flower — to top off the character. Dukehart said she tries to keep Daisy agaples and neuter so she can play to as many people as possible. Putting on the makeup and costume takes Dukehart about 30 minutes, plus she said she needs quiet time alone to prepare herself mentally.

Dukehart explained Daisy's personality as outgoing, but shy. "She's always trying to pull someone's leg — she's a joker."

Through this character, Dukehart said she tries to touch people "to let that clown inside come out and play." While Dukehart has been living in the Bay Area six years ago, she began studying the art of pantomime.

"Mime is a strong discipline," said Dukehart. "It's a physical art form, and we welcome the chance to promote this music among students and others by having it played in the traditional style." The Mustang Boosters Club, the Cal Poly Alumni Association, the Bash Street Regulars and the San Luis Obispo Chamber of Commerce are helping to organize the event.

Two Dixie jazz days planned

Seventy-five jazz musicians playing 22 hours of jazz in four different locations is enough to produce a "Dixie Dane." And that's what the Cal Poly music department and ASI Special Events are planning for Saturday and Sunday May 9 and 10.

Besides Cal Poly's two jazz bands, the line up includes the High Sierras Jazz Band, Pink Street Five, South Frisco Jazz Band, Port City Jazz Band, The Jazin' Babies, Great Pacific Jazz Band, Golden State Jazz Band, the Nightblooming Jazzer, The Gramercy Six, and the local and popular Desolation Jazz Ensemble & Miss Kit Repair Battalion.

The "Dixie Dane" system works like this: students buy an admission badge for $8 and wear it for admission to all of the jazz spots. Badges are available at the University Union ticket office. The bands will rotate among the Snack Bar, Chumash Auditorium, the Discovery Motor Inn and The Monday Club across the street. On the same key, listeners will be shuttled through the four spots on a bus so everyone has a chance to hear every band. The bands will play continuously from 10 a.m. Saturday to 12:30 a.m., picking up again Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. All of the bands that will be performing are from California and many of them are made up of people who were full-time professional musicians for greats like Tommy Dorsey and Glenn Miller.

Music Club advisor George Beatie sees Dixie Dane as "an opportunity for people to hear real, authentic Dixieland style music. It's truly an American art form, and we welcome the chance to promote this music among students and others by having it played in the traditional style."

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“This newest Camelot is a place of mystery and necromancy—magical occurrences seem almost commonplace.”

BY KATHRYN MCKENZIE

Never fear, romantics and legend-lovers. The days of knights shining armor, mystical sorcerers and beauteous queens are not over—those days come to life once more in the film “Excalibur.”

This current offering at the Fremont Theatre re-counts the tales of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table in loving, cinematically exquisite detail, down to the jeweled-goblets sitting on the king’s banquet table.

The film follows Arthur’s life which is more myth than reality—it is not even certain that he ever existed outside of legend from magical birth to dramatic death.

This newest Camelot is a place of mystery and necromancy—magical occurrences seem almost commonplace, like the sword Excalibur rising out of a lake.

Director John Boorman has fleshed out the myth and made most of it real, although many of the lesser characters never get beyond the two-dimensional stage. Nigel Terry as Arthur handles all parts of his role with aplomb, as he ages from callow youth to a wise but world-wary ruler during the movie’s two hours and 20 minutes.

The visual effects of the movie are stunning in themselves. From the scenery to the sets to the special effects, nothing seems out of place—it is a seamless, completely captivating display of color, light and movement. Not only that, it does what every good movie should do—it makes the viewer feel as though he or she is there, part of the crowd in the courtyard, watching the knights joust amid the green hills.

Dominating the scene as no other character does is the sorcerer Merlin, played by Nicol Williamson. His part calls for the grandest and most sweeping dramatics in the film, and he delivers.

His role hinges on one of the themes of the movie: that the days of Arthur were the last days of great magic. Merlin knows that his days are almost over even when the film starts. Arthur’s time was the last gasp of the supernatural before the advent of Christianity in Britain. This is the one thing that Morgana (Helen Mirren) cannot realize, and it ultimately leads to her downfall as a sorceress. Miren, also, plays her part to the hilt, and as successfully. In fact, in every facet of the movie, Boorman pulls out all the stops to orchestrate the spectacle. In fact, some of the excess comes perilously close to self-parody (note Sir Lancelot, played by Nicholas Clay, in his shining armor and upon a white horse) but somehow, by the film’s end, it doesn’t seem to matter.

It is a totally self-indulgent, escapist, romantic movie, and for those of us who like to escape into movies, it’s perfect. At three bucks a head, it’s one of the better movies done in town, and anyone who has a yearning for those olden days shouldn’t pass it up.

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BY CYNTHIA BARAKATT

Exotic African animals, brightly colored tents and costumes, and a gypsy-like existence of moving from town to town create a sense of magic and enchantment that fill the air when a circus comes to town.

San Luis Obispo is no exception. The magic drew young and old to the Madonna Plaza parking lot Thursday to visit the animals and watch the activity as Circus Vargas raised the big top for this weekend’s performance.

Along with the regular circus workers who travel with the show, several temporary employees, "townies," are hired to help raise the tent, man the phones and sell tickets.

"I wish it wouldn’t be so fast," said Cal Poly student Shelly Robertson, who has been working for four weeks as a secretary in the general manager’s office.

Robertson is one of nine Cal Poly students hired to work in the promotion office, according to general manager Kim Hocker.

Setting up the main tent for the show takes five to eight hours, striking it takes only four.

"It’s hard work," said third-year art major Rick Charette, who helped raise the tent Thursday before the opening performance.

Charette said he would never travel and work with a circus, noting that the regular crew had been up all night after finishing a performance in Santa Barbara and coming to San Luis Obispo and beginning to set up right away.

Circus Vargas will hold performances Friday at 4:30 and 8 p.m., Saturday at noon, 3:30 and 7 p.m., and Sunday at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Everyone pitches in to get the big top up when the circus comes, not even the elephants get a rest.

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Somebody said he was never given any type of foot covering. He added that the paper overrode "naturally" to hobbles as soon as you stood up in them. "You just can't keep a foot with those gloves on," he said.

Somebody said his supervisors have been trying to convince shop workers that the concern over PCB "is a bunch of malarkey."

The propaganda that is being put out by our supervisors is working to the extent that the students are finding the stories "not believable," he said.

Larry Wright, Simmons’s direct supervisor, denies the allegation that he downplays the importance of the protective gear. "If anything, it’s just the opposite," he said.

He said, though, that he feels "the biggest threat is changing a ballast just falling off the shelf." He said recent tests showing no PCB at all in the leakage from both the sample ballasts proves that not all ballasts are dangerous. The supervisor also said the negative results of blood tests done by the campus health center at the time were discussed and work was further proofed that working with the ballast is not necessarily dangerous.

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**Error lands student diamond opportunity**

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**Prof gives cold war book warm review**

BY KIM BOGAUD

Robert Hunt, a member of the English faculty, has given an extremely personal and honest account of the events surrounding Jane Sanders book, Cold War on the Campus: Academic Freedom in the University of Washington, 1946-64, during the fourth lecture of the "Books at Night: Noon" series on Tuesday.

Hunt went to the University of Washington in 1946, was personally involved in the Communist-hunting era which consisted of attacks on staff and faculty suspected of being communists, and was given a chance to share in the experience.

In his review, Hunt reflected on his personal experiences during the conflict. "I’m a Christian," he said, "and while not a member of the Communist Party, I did fight with the idea of it."

Sanders did a thorough job of sensitive historical work, of giving historical accounts of the events at the University of Washington — the 1952-53 investigations and the 1962-63 investigations and the background and aftermath of the events that were opened.

Hunt said Sanders defines academic freedom by the right of teachers and faculty to work in an atmosphere where there is a lack of inhibiting restrictions. At the University of Washington, however, pressure came that infringed on this freedom, he said.

Hunt said Sanders referred to the events, and if the university, Charles Fisher, was "the hero of the book." The townpeople did not like the radical people Fisher was inviting to the island.

Well-known scholars across the country came to the defense of these professors. Despite the efforts, Hunt said, "the atmosphere remained strong.

There was a ‘deadenning atmosphere on campus’ and fringes took place at other universities. Hunt explained that "this was a terrifying time in recent history."

In conclusion, Hunt asked the captured academics. "Well-known scholars across the great majority being accused. All faculty were ‘biased,’ said, ‘why pick on Marxists?’

The board unanimously adopted a resolution dealing with student voting rights in the academic senate, he said.

**Senate tablets tuition proposal**

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The senate will review the proposal and will either accept it or amend it and then send it for final approval to President Baker. The board also acted on some of the resolutions introduced in last week’s legislative field.

The board unanimously adopted a resolution dealing with student voting rights in the academic senate, he said.

While recognizing the faculty’s right to collective bargaining, the resolution expresses the power in academic decisions. It also opposes the idea of a faculty-only senate.

The board postponed action on a resolution opposing the CECD system, pending further information from the California State University Student’s Association.

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The 28th of May will be a dark day for all citizens of the Central Coast. On that date, in Anaheim, oil companies will make bids on 115 tracts of land off the coasts of San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties, from Point Conception to and including Morro Bay.

Unless legal action prevents it, we'll soon have oil platforms lining the shore, destroying and polluting such spots as Montano de Oro, Pirates Cove, Avila Beach, Shell Beach and anywhere else you care to name.

The big winners of this "let's make a buck, the environment be damned" approach to solving our energy woes are the federal government and the oil companies. Most of the tracts will be sold if the offered royalty system of 16.6 percent on the oil companies' take will be sold for a royalty of 33 percent and another 38 have a sliding royalty scale.

Washington expects $2 million to $3 million for each tract. The oil companies, of course, get the oil — not enough to even try to justify the damage that will be done to this area's land, sea and air; not enough to make our energy picture the slightest bit brighter; not enough to loosen even slightly our dependence on the Middle East. But enough, apparently, to make a profit.

The area to be leased, the Santa Maria Basin, is only the southernmost of five basins up for grabs as part of Lease Sale 53. Interior Secretary Watt will decide in late May or June the fate of the northern basins.

Much has been done to protest this disasterous proposal: petitions and letter-writing campaigns involving hundreds of thousands of Californians; personal appeals and official protests from Brown, the state Council of Government, the boards of supervisors of many of the counties involved, numerous environmental groups, many Sacramento legislators and almost the entire California Congressional delegation.

Watt has ignored them all. The only recourse left, short of violence, is legal action. Recently, a twin legal attack was mounted in an Anaheim federal court, which was filed on behalf of Gov. Brown and five state agencies; the other by the Natural Resources Defence Council for many environmental groups. Six local organizations have joined the suit.

The possible drilling would attack the northern 34 of the 115 tracts — the area from Shell Beach to Morro Bay — because of their high environmental sensitivity. They contend that Watt illegally ignored Brown's recommendation on the lease sale as required by federal law, that the drilling will threaten the southern sea otter and gray whale — both protected by federal law — and that the environmental damage from such drilling in the Interior Department admits will occur far outweigh any benefits to the nation.

It is lamentable the suit doesn't include the entire basin; equally unfortunate is that while the city of Santa Barbara and the boards of supervisors for the seven northern counties affected by the sale have already agreed to join the state's lawsuit, our board of supervisors are content to do nothing but discuss it. With this kind of indifference, no wonder Watt feels able to ride roughshod over us.

There are things you can do. Phone your supervisor and tell him to get off his duff; attend the Board of Supervisors meeting in the courthouse annex on May 11 at 9 a.m. and let them know your feelings. Better yet, donate money to the legal fight against one of the most ignorant harbingers of destruction this country has had to face — Watt. You can do this in this most enjoyable way: attend the protest rally/concert set for May 24 at El Chorro Park across from Cuesta College. Local groups — Friends of the Earth, the Robots, Tink and others will play. Tickets, $5 in advance, will soon go on sale at Boo Bop Records, Cheap Thrills, Cuesta College and possibly at Poly. All proceeds will go to the NRDC to finance its lawsuit on behalf of environmental groups. Those wishing to help with cleaning and security at the concert should call Jerry Belair at 541-0279. Our coast, our health, our environment depend on you.

Editor: Hey, Atascadero, Paso Robles, Arroyo Grande and Grover City, do you know how your elected officials feel about offshore oil drilling? Atascadero, Councilman Stover and Paso Robles Councilman Monroe, at the recent Council of Governments (COG) meeting, voted against joining the state of California in its lawsuit to block the Interior Department's infamous James G. Watt from drilling in the northern portion of the Santa Maria Basin. Joining the opposition were Supervisors Mankins and Diefenderfer. The other eight members commendably carried on the tradition.

What were their reasons? Councilman Stover and Monroe chose not to discuss theirs. Supervisor Diefenderfer said that it is in the "national interest" to sell off our coast to the oil companies. What will our national interests demand next time? Supervisor Mankins said that people have a tendency to become "overly concerned" with endangered species. Does that over-indolent tendency include concerns about air, fishing, tourism, clean beaches and healthy animal life?

Who is it that these public officials represent? Whose views and concerns are they supporting? If you would like to remind your officials of who it was that put them in office (by your votes, not campaign contributions) give them a call. Oh yeah, on Monday, May 11, the Board will vote on whether to join the State's lawsuit. If you would like to observe Supervisors Mankins and Diefenderfer protect our national interests, drop in. That will be an animating experience. Where will you not be able to see the strings? Jerry Belair