Poly drenched by heavy showers

Opening statements heard as Simpson trial gets under way

Safety officials pinpoint trends in bike thefts

Senate denies faculty referendum on calendar

Clinton plan focuses on future, calls for bi-partisan support

In a speech that could determine his hopes for re-election in 1996, President Bill Clinton moved overtly toward the center during his State of the Union Address Tuesday night.

Vying for support from Republicans and Democrats alike, Clinton outlined his plan called the "New Covenant," which pushes for change that focuses on the future.

Likening yesterday's government to a manual typewriter, he said today's government needs to be like a computer.

"We need to cut yesterday's government to solve tomorrow's problems," he said.

As expected, the president also proposed raising the minimum wage.

"You can't make a living on $4.25 an hour," he said.

The Senate on Nov. 29 voted 29-18 against changing to semesters. Felzer initiated the motion for a faculty referendum after the vote.

English professor John Hampsey addressed the Senate's reluctance to debate the referendum issue, claiming the motion was not to support the decision of the Senate but to increase the fairness of the university system by including all involved.

Some senators have argued the Academic Senate vote was not representative of the entire faculty. But those against the referendum claim the Senate did represent the faculty when the vote was made.

On Tuesday, some senators claimed the faculty had no interest in the debate and were tired of it.

Environmental horticulture professor David Hannings argued his department is "tired of the issue and if the motion comes to a vote, the Senate is setting itself up for embarrass-

By Karl Vinnim

By Justine Frederiksen

By Erin Massey

By Michael Fleemon

By Lisa J. Marsh

By Ross C. Schroeder
Brown resumes reign as speaker

By Janice Kari

Sacramento — Democrat Willie Brown was re-elected speaker of the California Assembly early today, ending a 50-day deadlock but beginning a likely long stretch of bitter partisan fighting.

Brown, the speaker since 1986, was elected 40-39 after a bizarre 15-hour session of caucuses, an abortive attempt to elect a maverick GOP speaker and the ouster of Republican Dick Mountjoy.

"The current process by which this speakership has been decided has been a painful one," Brown, D-San Francisco, said after he was sworn in at 1 a.m.

"This house cannot be left leaderless, cannot be left without the capability to do the job it is expected to do," he said.

But a set of rules adopted by a 40-12 vote immediately after House assured that the Assembly he will be leading will be a very different one. The rules shift much of the power once held by the speaker to an evenly divided Rules Committee and set the stage for political fights.

Republicans intensified opposition both Brown's election and the rules and vowed reprisals against Democrats and the one independent who supported them. Republicans had already launched a recall against Independent Paul Horcher of Whittier and had threatened recalls against several Democrats in close races.

"Mr. Brown, the legacy that you will leave for this house, which could have been a positive, positive legacy, the legacy I'm afraid you will leave is a well that is so poisoned that it may be years before the damage is undone," said Assemblyman Ross Johnson, R-Fullerton.

Republicans thought they had wrested the speakership from Democrats when their candidates won 41 of the 80 seats in the Nov. 8 election. But Horcher shocked his colleagues by switching from Republican to Independent when the session convened on Dec. 5 and voting for Brown.

That left the Assembly deadlock 40-40 between Brown and Republican Jim Brulte of Rancho Cucamonga.

Democrats had threatened since Dec. 5 to remove Mountjoy, R-Monrovia. He was elected both to the Assembly and in a special Senate election, but remained in the lower house to support Brulte.

However, Brown and Brulte tentatively agreed on Jan. 4 to a power-sharing agreement that would have put control of the house in an evenly divided Rules Committee—chaired by the two leaders. That agreement put any action against Mountjoy on hold.

The two parties have been negotiating on the details of that agreement for nearly three weeks, but could not agree on the length of any pact or what to call the two leaders.

Republicans, who hope to reach 41 votes and elect a speaker this year through the recalls and special elections, wanted any agreement to last until then. Democrats wanted a two-year agreement. Democrats wanted to call the leaders' "co-speakers" but Republicans did not want Brown called anything that sounds like a speaker.

Some Democrats during the last two weeks also approached Assemblyman Bernard Echleimer, R-Chino, about becoming a compromise speaker candidate. Rich­ ter said he would not be a can­ didate if he had no GOP backers.

FLOODING: Bulk of county's road closures are in rural areas

Flood crossing or is about to occur, while a flood 'warning' means flooding is already occurring, while a flood 'watch' means the potential for flooding exists.

Richard Marshall, an engineer with the San Luis Obispo County Engineering Department, said "at least 30 roads are closed, but most of these are rural roads which have low water crossings and flood regularly during storms," he said, "just expect it when it rains."

Many roads were flooded within the city limits of San Luis Obispo, he said, including Foothill Boulevard at Los Osos Valley Road.

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Floods also were reported in the Tassajara Creek area burned in August during the Highway fire. The highway was closed Wednesday between Atascadero and Morro Bay due to a "widespread potential for flooding exists."

Sargeant said the "satellite pictures show more rain just off the coast, so we'll probably be extending the warning."
CLINTON: President promises to protect poor

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Striking back at terrorists, President Clinton today ordered the freezing of U.S. assets of 12 groups linked to 20 years of bloody attacks on Americans and Israelis, including the slaughter of 241 Marines and other American servicemen in 1983.

The order is expected to be followed by a broad-gauged initiative against terrorists and narcotics smugglers, including the establishment of special courts to check on suspected terrorists on their entry to the country for quick deportation.

Outrage at the suicide slaying of 19 Israelis Sunday by an Islamic Jihad faction, based in Syria, spurred Clinton's action. Last Friday in a Harvard University speech, Secretary of State Warren Christopher promised new laws and procedures to combat terrorism, international narcotics traffickers and immigration fraud.

Among the groups targeted was Hezbollah, also known as the Party of God, suspected in the suicide track bombing of the U.S. Embassy and Marine barracks in Beirut, Lebanon, in 1983 and the embassy annex in 1984.

Another was the Abu Nidal Organization, which the State Department accuses of carrying out more than 90 terrorist attacks in 10 countries since 1974, killing or injuring some 900 people. Major attacks included those on the Vienna and Rome airports in 1985.

The Republican response was

THEFTS: Public Safety offers bike security tips

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Ray Berrett
Public Safety Investigator

The areas most often targeted by thieves are Via Carta and the area surrounding the Mustang statue. Most thefts occur between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m., Berrett said.

“Bikes left out on the weekends are almost guaranteed to be stolen or stripped,” Berrett said. “Many times if the bike is not gone, all the expensive parts will be stolen. I've seen bikes left with nothing. I've seen bikes left with the front tire and the frame.”

“T here are a few suggestions, according to authorities, that can help prevent bikes from being stolen. First, students should not lock their bikes with a bike-cable or Master Lock.

“Many bikes, if locked properly, have been stolen with U-bars attached,” Berrett said.

Authorities also suggest that bikers secure the lock to the frame, as well as the wheels.

“Whatever is attached is what you'll be left with,” Schroeder said. “Some people even remove the front tire and lock up the rear wheel and the frame.”

Schroeder recommended locking both the frame and front wheel because thieves will find a bike with the front tire secured, steal it and find another tire to ride away with.

Berrett stressed that “cables are absolutely worthless. Ninety-percent of the bikes stolen this year were secured with cables.”

Authorities recommend that a U-bar be used instead to secure the bike.

“There's very few bikes, if locked properly, have been stolen with U-bars attached,” Berrett said.

“The temporary plastic fencing is not adequate,” Berrett said. “Someone will just cut the plastic and ride away with the bike.”

It is also recommended that students do not leave their bike in the same area for an extended period of time. “If it's left somewhere, say behind the residence halls, for too long, someone will take it,” Schroeder said. “Thieves can walk by it several times and take it at their own convenience.”

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“Nothing is fail-safe,” Schroeder said. “If someone wants your bike they'll get it. But if you take a little extra time and care, you can make it more difficult for thieves to take, and possibly deter them.”

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I remember being frustrated because I'd forgotten to buy mushrooms for the beef stroganoff. There was no way I could have known that I should be thankful for such a minor inconvenience.

I drove most of the way to the store faster than I should have, beating myself for the hundredths of a second to failing to think ahead. Then, just two tantalizing blocks away from the market, it happened.

The accelerator pedal surrendered to my right foot and hit the floor.

But it wasn't the exciting kind of "hit the floor" where I began to accelerate out of control and had to start honking furiously at this lazy dog ahead of me. Instead, it was a rather dull "hit the floor," where all acceleration ceased, forcing me to go onto a disabled 1973 Volkswagen Bug to the side of the road.

I remained calm. The accelerator cable had probably disconnected from the gas pedal. It had been fritzy. It had broken a while ago and was a 30-second job to fix.

I reached down past the gas pedal to grab the slack end of the cable. I found it, but in a condition that greatly surprised me. It was only an inch long.

Upon closer examination I saw that one end was frayed where it had been severed from the main cable.

I was no longer calm.

"How am I going to get the car home now?" I thought. "Is there anything I can do to fix this?" And, of course, "What about the mushrooms?"

I made a few attempts to crimp a coat hanger to the remaining length of cable. But, my efforts were futile. I had already rudely admitted defeat and called home for my uncle to come pick me up.

On my way back to the car I tried desperately to think of another way to reconnect the throttle. I was on my way to a meeting and I needed a solution. I was not going to let that problem beat me.

My face brightened considerably about halfway back when I realized that I didn't need the cable at all. I could bypass it entirely with the idea I had.

I excitedly searched behind my back seat for the solution to my dilemma — my soccer shoes.

I took out each lace and tied them together. This ten-foot-long shoelace would be going to the new accelerator "cable."

Since the path of the original cable was blocked with its remnant, I decided to run the shoelace around the outside of the car.

I lifted the engine hood in the back of the car and tied one end of the extended shoelace to the spring-loaded hammer that opens the throttle. I then took the shoelace around the front side of the car, opened the door, rolled down the window, and got in.

This was my plan: I would drive the car home by pulling on a shoelace that ran the length of the car ending up tied to the throttle hammer in the back.

The moment of truth. I thought, had come. I pulled firmly on the lace, but it did not move.

I was devastated because I immediately realized my oversight. The shoelace was pulling sideways on the hammer instead of along its axis of movement, which was straight ahead.

There had to be something I could think of to prove that my two years spent as a mechanical engineering major were not in vain!

After a moment's consideration I had a solution. The shoelace would pull back on the hammer if I ran it once around the bumper, and then up the side of the car.

I quickly got back into the driver's seat and pulled the lace. It moved!

Next came the real test. I turned the key in the ignition while pulling the shoelace and...the engine responded!

I shifted into first gear and slowly let out the clutch while pulling on the shoelace. The car moved slowly forward then began to pick up speed!

As I shifted through the gears I yielded triumphantly several times; the kind of yells only possible in the confines of one's personal car or deep in the wilderness. My shoelaces worked! It was like something you'd see in an episode of MacGuyver.

My uncle passed me about halfway back to the house. I waved as best I could while keeping a firm grasp on the shoelaces. He had his hands full.

The next day I borrowed a car, drove to an auto parts store and purchased a new accelerator cable. I installed the new cable that afternoon.

The best part: my shoelaces emerged unscathed from the incident and are still in use today.

When I reflect back on that experience, I marvel at how the urgency of my need motivated me to think of a way to overcome it — proof that if the necessity of a situation is great enough, human ingenuity can overcome nearly anything.

Garrett M. Mettler is a journalism junior who really likes strawberry cream cheese.

LETTERS

New technology is progress

By Garrett M. Mettler

"Technology is a false prophet," Jan. 19

Like Mr. Ireland, my first computer was a Commodore 64. I, too, played many video games and wrote a few programs. I was enthralled. I saw a world of possibilities. It was not my friends or television that said I needed a computer to survive. It was me, myself. I really enjoyed the technology, and the computer needed me, as a canvas needs a painter.

So I listened to Mr. Ireland's "false prophet" and found it to speak truth. This "false prophet" gave me many powers that my ancestors never even dreamt of — the ability to keep in touch with friends many states away at no cost.

There has always been a need for communication. We did not "invent this need because the technology was available." We simply replaced those who ran miles on foot or sailed across deep blue water with a few short lines of code. This is one of many positive effects of progress.

My friend's father recently became a telemarketer, so I spent some time communicating via the new technology. I learned how easy it is to use, and that not all progress is evil.

Mr. Ireland's "false prophecy" is a result of technology, a burden that is useless on the human scale?"
Air from another jet hit fatal USAir flight

By Jeffrey Bair

PITTSBURGH — As experts testified about rudders and cables at a hearing today, relatives of people who died in the crash of USAir Flight 427 pleaded for officials to remember their needs.

About 10 members of the Flight 427 Air Disaster Support League, a group formed after the Sept. 8 accident, said at a news conference that they want the National Transportation Safety Board or the Federal Aviation Administration to appoint a family representative to act as a liaison between relatives, airlines and agencies following crashes.

"It's an attempt to give pur­pose and meaning to the death of a loved one," said Janine Katonah, whose husband, Joel Thompson, died in the crash.

A few relatives said USAir tele­phone number they were given to call on the night of the crash was busy for hours. They said they didn't receive confirma­tion that family members were on the flight until about 3 a.m., eight hours after the accident that killed all 132 people aboard near Pittsburgh International Airport.

They also complained that they weren't given access to their relatives' belongings and weren't told how much unidentified remains were buried in a cemetery near the crash site. A family advocate would help sur­vivors obtain vital information early, they said.

Katonah said the relatives had spoken to NTSB chairman James Hall about their request and that he said he would con­sid­er it.

The NTSB began hearings Monday on the possible cause of the crash.

As the hearing resumed this morning, David Ribaudo, a Boeing Commercial Airplane Group sys­tem specialist, testified there was no evidence that the plane's rudder cables were faulty.

The rudder has been a focus of the investigation for months. USAir has warned pilots of Boeing 737 planes to watch out for spontaneous rudder move­ments during flight.

The first day of the hearing included release of a dramatic transcript of the cockpit voice recording and testimony about 4-foot-wide rotating columns of air near Flight 427. Jets leave two columns of spiraling air or vortices behind them as they fly; the ones near Flight 427 were created by a Delta jet that was in the area.

Researchers found that the Delta flight's vortices would have contacted Flight 427 at around the time the plane began to fall, said James Kerrigan, a senior aerodynamics engineer at Seat­tle-based Boeing.

Both Kerrigan and a veteran pilot discounted the vortices' role in the crash, saying pilots routinely handle such tur­bu­lence.

"By no means did it roll the plane over. It was some catastrophic event that did it," said Tom Kremser, a senior ex­ecutive with the Air Line Pilots Association and a USAir pilot.

The safety board on Monday released hundreds of documents, including a 23-page transcript of cockpit noises in the plane's last half hour. A record of pilots' com­ments with air-traffic con­trollers was released last month.

Two thumps and some electri­cal clicking is heard moments before the crash. The thumps and clicks are as yet unex­plained.

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Clinton freezes assets of suspected terrorist groups

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

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Los Angeles County manager fired

By E. Scott Reckard
Associated Press

SANTA ANA — Orange County supervisors fired Ernie Schneider as administrative officer because he had been suspected of attacks on U.S. assets belonging to 12 groups linked to years of fund-raising and murder in the Middle East.

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Clinton's directive took effect at midnight.

Rocketdyne fined by OSHA for 1994 deadly blast

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Los Angeles State safety authorities have fined Rockwell International's Rocketdyne Division $200,000 for violations leading to a July 26 explosion that killed 22 people.

The blast last summer at a rocket engine test site near here touched off a 15-acre brush fire. Killed were Otto R. Heitney, 53, and Larry A. Pugh, 51, who had been preparing chemicals at an isolated site in the Santa Susana Mountains.

A third man was injured.

Although it is impossible to make a definite determination of the specific cause of the explosion, our investigators concluded that certain mandated precautions were not taken which could have contributed to the accident, said Jon Howard, chief of the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

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BASEBALL: New coach takes over a program that has been hit hard with NCAA sanctions for past rule violations

From page 8 bring us together like a family and the team is really close," he said. But Price's most difficult challenge may be to get back Cal Poly's program to where it was in 1989. One option Price has is that few of the present players expected to play any role at Cal Poly in 1992-93 season.

"You can't take what happened on the field those years, no matter what happened off the field," Vance said. Other players expected to be major contributors this season also have an impact in their first year at Cal Poly, he said. "We can put that behind us."

Although Cal Poly has the

title of A.T. Kirchner, the fourth-year leader, said that Cal Poly lost its 1989 Division II — both of which Cal Poly was also forced to

his 1992-93 season. They have been a major setback for Campbell, they train together like a family we want to be. Our only saving grace is that everyone in the state is in the same boat. Nobody's putting the brakes on.

San Luis Obispo Stadium, is presently in a rental agreement with the state, and no one is sure when it will be in proper playing condi­tion. Price is said he hopes that Sinsheimer will be dry enough to play on the field at Cal Poly on Feb. 2.

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Baseball team tries to leave past travails behind as it makes its pitch in Division I

By Anthony Pedrotti

Sports

With new uniforms and a new skipper at the helm, the Cal Poly baseball team will unveil its highly-anticipated Division I team Friday in all places, Paso Robles.

In what was once associated with the Little League, Cal Poly baseball will try to write a new chapter in their history as they attempt to forget what has become a bittersweet past.

When the Mustangs step on the field Friday, they will embark on a future that has the potential to lure excitement and success to the basepaths. But like most new Division I teams, the Mustangs are sure to have their share of disappointments and frustrations.

Cal Poly will make its debut as a Western Athletic Conference member against Nevada-Reno at Paso Robles High School — a temporary home for Cal Poly.

Their permanent held, Schemmer Park, is currently recuperating from the heavy rains that have saturated the Central Coast in the past few weeks.

The entire three-game series has been moved to Paso Robles because it has received considerably less rain than San Luis Obispo County.

Opening against Nevada-Reno is somewhat of a preview for the Mustangs who will then join the Wolfpack and 10 other teams that when they enter the Big West in 1997 after having gone to the Dallas Cowboys.

Butch Davis is the new Miami Hurricanes head coach who was selected to become head coach of the Los Angeles Raiders. In his only season as the Cowboys' defensive coordinator, he led the NFL in total defense this season.

While the players will be Division I rookies, many of them are returning veterans including some of the pitching staff.

The starting pitching rotation includes the experience and leadership of four returning seniors. Three returning starters include Shannon Stephenson, R.J. Simone and Dennis Miller will be joined by Rob Ornsall who moves from a relief role to a starter.

But the rest of the team is relatively young. Shortstop Marc Townes, right fielder Brett Holliday and left fielder Dave Peruzzo are the only senior starters. They will be leading a team that looks to be youngest in the conference.

However, the team is working well together with their new coaching staff. Sophomore catcher Jason Vance said the team is really coming together.

"Coach Price has focused on bringing in new uniforms and a new atmosphere this season," he said.

By Steven Wine

MIAMI — Although he doesn't exactly fit the job description, Butch Davis is the new head coach of the Miami Hurricanes.

Davis, 39, does have experience as an assistant coach for the Hurricanes. He was Miami's defensive line coach under head coach Jimmy Johnson from 1986 to 1988, then followed Johnson to the Cowboys in 1989.

Davis became Dallas' defensive coordinator prior to last season, after Miami's Dave Wannstedt was departed to become the Chicago Bears' head coach.

"I knew Butch when he was here before," said Ron Stone, a member of the university board of trustees who participated in the search for a coach. "He was an outstanding communicator, a fine recruiter of student-athletes and active among the booster organizations. His credentials as a coach speak for themselves now, after having gone to the Dallas Cowboys, winning two Super Bowls and coaching a team that led the NFL in defense."

Because recruiting season is at its peak, Miami officials were anxious to conclude the search that began when Erickson departed for the Seattle Seahawks.

Upon arriving in Miami, Davis declined to confirm that he had taken the job.

"I'm one of the finalists for the deal," he said. "It's very attractive, very much so." Davis' salary of $110,000 this season with the Cowboys was lowest among NFL coordinators. He accepted a 5-year contract with Miami that will guarantee him almost $700,000 a year, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported.

The deal includes a $1 million end-of-contract bonus and an additional year of guaranteed salary for every year the Hurricanes remain in Miami. The newspaper said.

Davis expressed reservations about accepting the job because of the possibility of sanctions against the school. An NCAA investigation of a financial aide scandal and pay-for-play scheme at Miami are possible in the coming months.

Miami Dolphins offensive coach Gary Stevens withdrew his name from consideration Monday. Stevens, the first candidate interviewed and a former Hur­ricanes assistant, remains a can­didate for head coaching jobs with the Denver Broncos and Philadelphia Eagles.

"I have been coaching in pro football for the last six years," he said, "and I feel at this point in my career that I would feel most comfortable remaining in the NFL either as a head coach or as the Dol­phins' offensive coordinator," Stevens said in a statement.

Stevens was passed over by Miami six years ago when the school picked Erickson to become head coach. Both he and Davis received strong backing from alumni, boosters and both cur­rent and former Hurricanes players.

Miami officials interviewed Davis on Saturday in Dallas, then in a conference call Sunday.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has already informed Jim Eddy that he'll be elevated from linebackers coach to Davis' successor as defensive coordinator, the Star-Telegram said.

First-year assistant Mike Zimmer, expected to join Davis in Miami, possibly as the defen­sive coordinator, the newspaper said.

Davis is the third assistant in as many years to leave Dallas for a head coaching job.

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Rich Price:

"I don't think we have any personal baseball powers on our schedule."