

# Summerskill on probation

By BOB TAYLOR

Are the trustees making an example of President John Summerskill to calm irate Sacramento politicians? Is the investigation into Summerskill's "stewardship" really an excuse to probe into other campus disorders at SF State which date back to last spring?

These and other questions are being raised in the aftermath of last Saturday's tension-packed emergency meeting at the State College Trustees in Los Angeles.

That meeting also produced the strongest measure approved yet to deal with unruly campus dissidents. It calls for the immediate suspension or dismissal of students or faculty members who use, or threaten to use violence to disrupt campus affairs.

The special five-man task force named by trustee chairman Donald M. Hart will look into last week's violence and make a report within 60 days. Their findings will most likely determine whether or not Summerskill will stay on as SF State's seventh president.

The resolution to investigate Summerskill's decision-making was introduced by Lt. Governor Robert Finch. It came after a two-hour closed session which found Summerskill and Los Angeles State College President John Greenlee the objects of thorough questioning.

Greenlee was asked to explain why police were not used to quell demonstrators who broke up a Dow Chemical interview session that sent recruiters fleeing through an open window.

Finch's resolution was "unfair and unwise to single out Summerskill" for problems common to all campuses.

"He is praised by all objective observers who were at the scene," Norris said of Summerskill, "and this should not be a basis for criticism but one of praise."

The audience applauded his remarks but the trustees voted 13-7 for the investigation.

It was a seemingly calm and confident Summerskill who explained to the board earlier in the meeting why he didn't call in the police, and decided to halt classes.

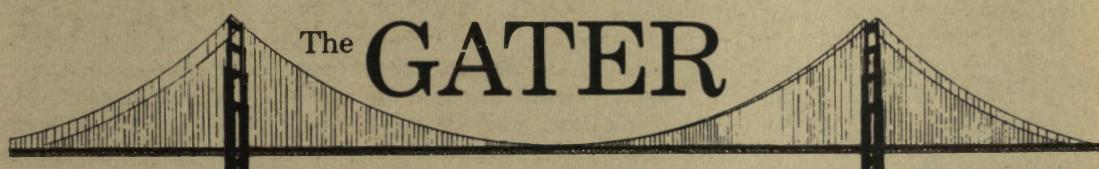
"I think we took all the necessary steps to deal with a situation of potential violence," Summerskill said. "I had reason to act to protect

the welfare of the students and faculty."

Summerskill said all the trouble was caused by roving bands and not by the group around the administration building. To have called in the police would have escalated the violence, he explained.

Then Donald Garrity, vice president for academic affairs, read a report by San Francisco Police Chief Thomas Cahill which expressed approval of Summerskill's "good judgment."

This startled State Superintendent of Public Instruction



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Max Rafferty who "the attitude of police is absolutely incredible." It was a strange posture for Rafferty, usually a staunch advocate of police decisions.

Rafferty, who was relentless in his pursuit of the question of police authority, was backed up by Governor Ronald Reagan and Assembly Speaker Jesse Unruh.

Unruh told newsmen later that he did not want to make a pre-judgment regarding Summerskill's case but that he wasn't sure the incident was handled in a proper manner.

The trustees unanimously

approved the emergency resolution on suspensions with a provision to extend the dismissals beyond one year for students.

Leo McClatchy, legal counsel for the Statewide Academic Senate and a professor of accounting here, pleaded with the trustees to reject the resolution because it "takes discretion away from the campus."

McClatchy was joined by Fresno State College President Fred W. Ness who said the resolution would remove a president's flexibility where extenuating circumstances were involved.

Governor Reagan responded by saying, "I can't conceive of any extenuating circumstances with regard to force and violence. The time to act is now."

When questioned by newsmen after the meeting, Reagan confirmed what many on this campus have long been aware of. "San Francisco State has been a matter of concern for some time," he said.

After the meeting, Summerskill expressed thanks for the spontaneous support he has received from the campus community.

That support included:

- a resolution approved by 800 faculty members which praised Summerskill for using "excellent judgment" and "extreme wisdom."

- student petitions bearing 6,000 signatures.

- voluntary student cash donations of \$422 to help pay for damage caused by the demonstrators.

- a Friday noontime rally which saw speaker after speaker laud the president's restraint in not calling in outside police.

Other statements of commendation came from the local chapters of the American Federation of Teachers, the Association of California State College Professors, and the Alumni Association.

Summerskill's presentation had obviously impressed everyone at the Los Angeles meeting except the trustees.

Summerskill, who admitted there were "some political considerations" involved in the trustees' action, was asked by newsmen if he would step down as president.

A wry smile came over his lips, "I'm not certain that situation is in my hands."

## MAPS to sit-in today

By STEVE TOOMAJIAN

The Movement Against Political Suspensions has scheduled in front of President John Summerskill's office, a sit-in, teach-in, and a rally for today at noon.

The decision came late yesterday afternoon, by a slim vote margin, amid internal disagreement about tactics.

MAPS has been gravely divided ever since last Wednesday's demonstrations got out of control. The actions by the State College Board of Trustees over the weekend have contributed greatly to the confusion now tearing at MAPS.

The trustees took away President John Summerskill's right to decide whether or not police are to be called onto the campus.

The trustees also called for the immediate suspension or dismissal of students and faculty who use, or threaten to use, violence to disrupt the workings of a college.

The trustees established an investigating committee to observe the administrative decisions of Summerskill for 60 days.

MAPS perceives all these actions as direct suppression of student activism.

The trustees' measures, coupled with MAPS' unpopularity with the majority of the student

population, have prompted a minority faction of MAPS to "cool it."

The vote to sit-in was finally taken after hours of consideration of the possible consequences.

With the new trustees' decisions, even a peaceful mass demonstration could be characterized as "disruptive" or possessing the "threat of violence."

Police could be called in without the advice of President Summerskill, who does not advocate calling in police.

Even if a demonstration is relatively peaceful, the appearance of police could transform the character of a demonstration.

All these possibilities were bandied about by MAPS members yesterday.

MAPS isn't the only group affected by the trustees' resolutions.

Administrators now find themselves in more hot water than ever before.

Walcott Beatty, chairman of the Academic Senate, advised about 1500 students yesterday not to participate in any mass demonstrations.

From the Speakers' Platform, he told students to "use dialogue rather than mass demonstrations. The trustees' decision is a threat to the survival of the college."

## An ultimatum for Trustees

By JOHN DAVIDSON

A demand for an explanation of action taken by the State College Board of Trustees at their Saturday meeting was made yesterday by the SF State chapter of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT).

The demand was prompted by the adoption of a resolution by the Trustees at their meeting Saturday calling for mandatory suspension or dismissal of anyone using or threatening violence to interfere with college activities. The resolution also called for police on campus in emergencies like last Wednesday's.

A telegram to chairman of the Trustees, Donald Hart, Ronald Reagan, Max Rafferty, and Glenn Dumke, said that the "SFSC Federation of Teachers will invoke the meet-and-confer

provisions of the government code. We call upon you for an emergency meeting for Wednesday, Dec. 13, to be held on our campus."

At an AFT press conference held here yesterday, Peter Radcliff, AFT president, read a prepared statement condemning the Trustees actions.

"President Summerskill's tenure as president of our college is more precarious than it was before that (Saturday Trustees') meeting," said Radcliff.

"SF State and any other State College will be governed by absentee Trustees whenever they please—and without prior consultation with the faculty or administration."

"They have made local police chiefs of the communities in which the State Colleges are located part-time presi-

dents of those colleges," said Radcliff. "It is clear that the survival of San Francisco State College as a leading college in the United States is in grave danger."

The concluding paragraph of this statement asserted that "SF State has become a pawn in California state politics. If its autonomy is not restored immediately the stature and reputation of the college will be destroyed both by student violence on the left and the political posturing on the right."

Radcliff said that the Trustees have 120 days to have an open meeting. If they don't hold such a public meeting the resolutions they passed will not go into law.

"If Summerskill is fired we would ask for a strike ballot," said Radcliff.

Joseph Cascella, national representative of AFT and a trained crisis expert, told newsmen that there is a possibility of a strike here.

"If the faculty chooses to strike we will work out plans for an effective, well prepared strike," said Cascella. "Rafferty has said something about putting some faculty members in jail—that doesn't scare the AFT. We are used to pressure like that."

Newman Fisher, president of the Association of California State Professors, said that his group is giving complete support to AFT because "we have been the subject of political intervention and violence."

Membership in AFT at this college is about 200 (20 percent) according to Radcliff, but its efforts have been getting widespread support.

# The Convocation dilemma

by Clem Glynn

The War Crisis Convocation was a hurried affair from the start, and today's faculty meeting takes no exception to the pace.

The question now is just what haste will make: waste, something or nothing at all.

The faculty meets to consider the results of three days of voting that followed five days of discussions and debates. All this came about randomly following some statements by Marshall Windmiller at an Academic Senate meeting.

Windmiller has called the Convocation "too little, too late." It was an innovative and sometimes informative event—and hopefully not an exercise in complete futility.

But the factors working against it pose a sticky dilemma. If recruiters and the military are banned from campus—at least by the majority of voters—the Administration would probably veto the decision.

President Summerskill made his position clear at the start of the Convocation. He favors allowing recruiters of all sorts on campus, despite a personal opposition to the Vietnam war.

This is somewhat strange because the college already passes moral judgments on recruiters. Companies that re-

fuse to hire black men are denied use of the campus. Nobody, including the "silent center," protests this abridgement of individual choice.

Even if Summerskill himself opposed recruiters, State College Trustees and other state politicians have made it irrefutably clear that they won't tolerate mass conscientious objection.

The results of the Convocation, though drastically inconsistent in spots, are being interpreted to suggest that the campus as a whole favors the status quo.

The politicians uttered a few "here! Here!" and that was that. But not quite. Those protesting the status quo will continue to do so. If police intervene, as politicians suggest, only more violence and increased polarity will take place.

The convocation made a lot of people face a crisis that they could previously turn their back on. But facing it is not a solution any more than just facing an oncoming auto is a solution for survival.

So the campus may stay "open"—open and full of garment-ripping politics and a hearty supply of violence. Well, higher education can sure get you down.

The faculty will try today to

boil down the issues into an hour and a half of debate. They don't have to decide to do anything immediately, and the Academic Senate has urged them to refer deliberations to committee.

This is not to suggest that the college should be an ivory tower apart from outer Reality. But as long as Administrators consider the college the proper place for ROTC and other military functions, protestors will continue to consider the college the proper place to stage demonstrations.

The Convocation was a good idea; it tackled a good deal but there's still a lot running around.

The faculty has before it today a choice. It can try to ease the violence on this campus by voting to ban recruiters whose interests and values disrupt the college. Such a move would at least be a statement of personal integrity. Or it can endorse the present state of affairs and increased police intervention, which can only lead to bloodshed—10,000 miles from Vietnam.

# Open letter for SF State students

Fellow Students:

This is an appeal. There is no doubt in my mind that the greatest single loss that this institution could incur at this time would be that of President John Summerskill. This man, and I use that term with great respect indeed, has exhibited behavior that is rare and precious in this age of credibility gaps and rampant phoniness. Men in positions such as that held by Dr. Summerskill who can admit a mistake when they've made one have become nearly extinct in this world; we need only look to the administration of our federal government for comparison.

As most of you are aware, the order of the day among the powers that be in the State of California is to remove Dr. Summerskill as President of San Francisco State College. This eventuality must, at any cost, be averted.

Personally, I find it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to justify violence under any circumstances what-so-ever. I do, however, feel with every ounce of my being that the government of this state must be made to understand that the removal of Dr. Summerskill is opposed by the students at this institution.

For this reason, I appeal to you to indicate your support of President Summerskill by informing your elected representatives of your position and, in the event that an attempt is made to remove Dr. Summerskill, by non-violently boycotting SF State.

I have an undeniable, though frightening, premonition that were Dr. Summerskill removed, the next president of this institution would be a general under whose leadership violence would be the rule rather than the exception.

I appeal to you with all my heart to support President Summerskill in the days that are to come.

Thank you,  
Joseph P. Barankin  
Student Rep.  
SF State Instructional Policies Committee

## Student robbed trying to help

In the disturbance which erupted by the bookstore last Wednesday, SF State student Fred Reisinger lost several textbooks, notebooks and a pair of glasses, while defending newsmen. Reisinger asks any student(s) recovering the articles to return them to the Geology Dept.

## Today at State

### MEETINGS

- Arab American (Arabic classes) — SCI 168 — 1 p.m.
- Black Students Union — HUM 135 — 12:15 to 2 p.m.
- Chinese Students Intercollegiate Organization — BSS 202 — noon to 1 p.m.
- College Y (how to study) — HUM 154 — 12:15 to 2 p.m.
- College Y (film) — HUT T-2 — 12:15 p.m.
- Latter Day Saints — BSS 202 — 1 to 2 p.m.
- M.E.N.C. — CA 221 — 1 to 2 p.m.
- Michelangelo Club — AD 162 — 2 to 3 p.m.
- Tai Chi Chuan Club — ED 202 — 2 to 4 p.m.

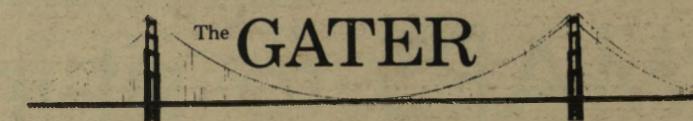
### EVENTS

- Arab American (film on the June war between the Arabs and Israel) — BSS 220 — noon.
- Encore Film Series "The Bedford Incident," 1966, American — ED 117 — 7:30 p.m. — 25 cents.
- International Christmas Day — GYM 217 — 8 to 12 p.m.
- Forensic Union — Gallery Lounge — 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
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# Gridders lose in Camellia, six Gators in all-star games

Though the varsity gridders ended maybe the greatest season in SF State history by losing to San Diego State 26-6 in Sacramento's Camellia Bowl, there will be plenty of Gator ambassadors to other post-season celebrations.

Leading the list of dignitaries is split-end Joe Koontz, who'll be playing in the Shrine Game at Candlestick Park on Dec. 30. Five more Gators will compete in the Potato Bowl in Bakersfield on Dec. 23, guard Larry Dito, tackle Kermit Bankson, defensive back Jim Schmidt, quarterback Bob Toledo and tight-end Ed Larios.

While there were several explanations given for the SF State offensive let-down in Saturday's bowl before 15,710 fans in Hughes Stadium, all agreed with head coach Vic Rowen when he said, "We just couldn't come up with the big play."

Twice in the first quarter SF State drove within the San Diego 20-yard line, but a fine defensive play by Aztec All-American Haven Moses and Bob Toledo fumble stopped both moves.

The second time the Gators had the ball, Toledo passed them from their own 45 to the San Diego State 18. But on a 3 and 8 play, the 5'10" thrower passed to Jim Heckendorn in the flat. The swift Moses came up fast on Heckendorn wrestling the ball and the Gator back 12 yards. SF State's Jim Brian then attempted a 32-yard field goal which fell way short.

One Aztec punt later, San Diego State penalties and the

catching of flanker Heckendorn and end Larios brought SF State to the enemy 18. But the record-shattering Toledo, hoping to catch the Aztecs with their tomahawks down, called for a quarterback keep on first down but fumbled.

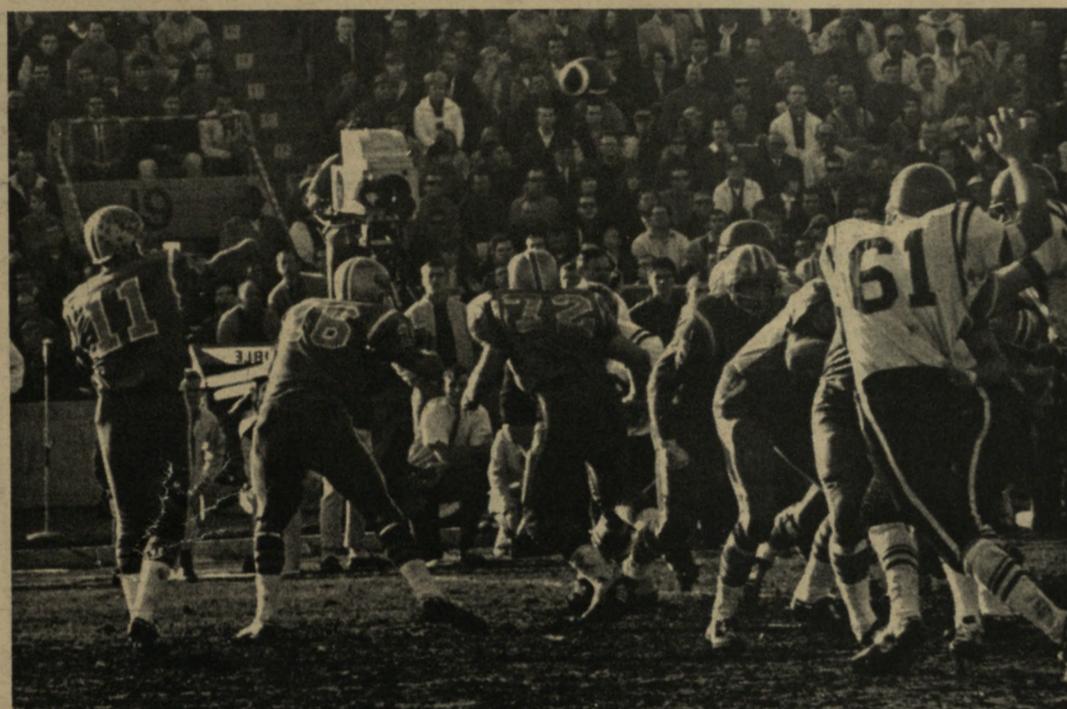
San Diego scored its first of four TDs with 13:55 left in the second quarter when Aztec defender Jim Crossley, an overhauled fullback, intercepted a Toledo pass returning 53 yards for the score.

San Diego State quarterback Joe Turpen, who was awarded the game's Most Valuable Player, threw one of his few passes off the option, a perfect strike to Tom Nettles who picked up two fine blocks and ran 16 yards for the Aztecs' second score.

Well into the third quarter SF State moved from their own 47, to the Aztec two, Toledo completing four of six. But on third down San Diego's John Beck cut between Koontz and the ball to intercept in the end zone.

After Toledo, who was rushed hard all day, had been shaken-up on a fourth quarter tackle, junior quarterback Al Simontacchi came in to pass the Gators to their only TD, a 15-yarder to Jim Heck-

endorn that tipped off the hands of Aztec defender Ambrose Jacobs.



As ABC nationwide cameras zero in, SF State quarterback Bob Toledo throws on sideline pattern to unidentifiable Gator receiver.

Photo by Mike Honey

## Cagers win, travel East

Head coach Paul Rundell is hoping his varsity cagers will be suffering the effects of last weekend's bon voyage party when they open their four-game trip east tomorrow night in Buffalo, NY.

The Gators, now 2-1, tipoff against the State University of New York at 8:30 p.m. after last Friday night's 73-66 win over Cal Poly (SLO) and Saturday night's 83-82 overtime edging of Occidental of LA.

SF State's 6'7" forward Girard Chatman potted 32 points against the Mustangs and pulled down 11 rebounds. The junior transfer from City College of SF hit 11 of 18 shots from the floor, while meshing 10 of 15 free throw attempts.

The Gators, who led at halftime, 43-40, got 18 points from center Mike Paille, followed by forward Ken Robison with ten and guard King Hanway with nine.

Against Occidental College, SF State lost a 42-32 halftime lead, then watched the Bengals tie the score with only four seconds remaining at 73-73.

Again it was Paille and Chatman pacing the SF State scorers, the former hitting 24 points and grabbing 10 rebounds, while the latter sank 21 points with 12 rebounds.

Against Occidental all of the Gator starters finished in double-figures.

Gator Harry Gualco set to toss ball after first half interception.

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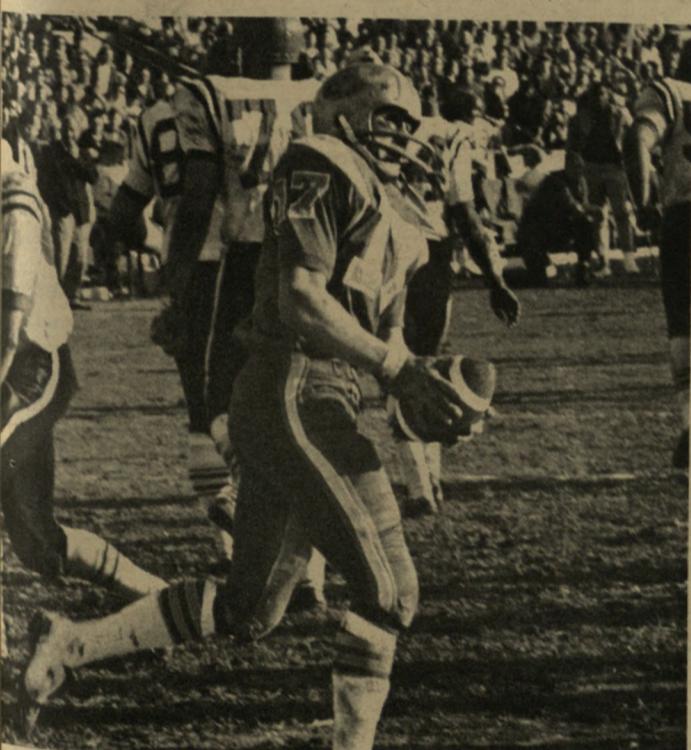
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# Leg minority statement

A minority statement Friday by four AS legislators took issue with demands that the Black Students Union disavow its involvement in Wednesday's disorders.

Thursday six members of the AS Legislature held a press conference at the boathouse at Lake Merced where the disavowal was demanded.

"The situation is intolerable," said Pat Kimbley, speaker of the Leg. "The BSU must give an indication

that the activities are disavowed. If they do not then we demand the expulsion of the BSU."

The minority statement took issue with the tone, direction and method of release that was read to the press by Kimbley.

"We wish it made doubly clear that the press release was not an official statement of the Associated Students Legislature," the minority statement read.

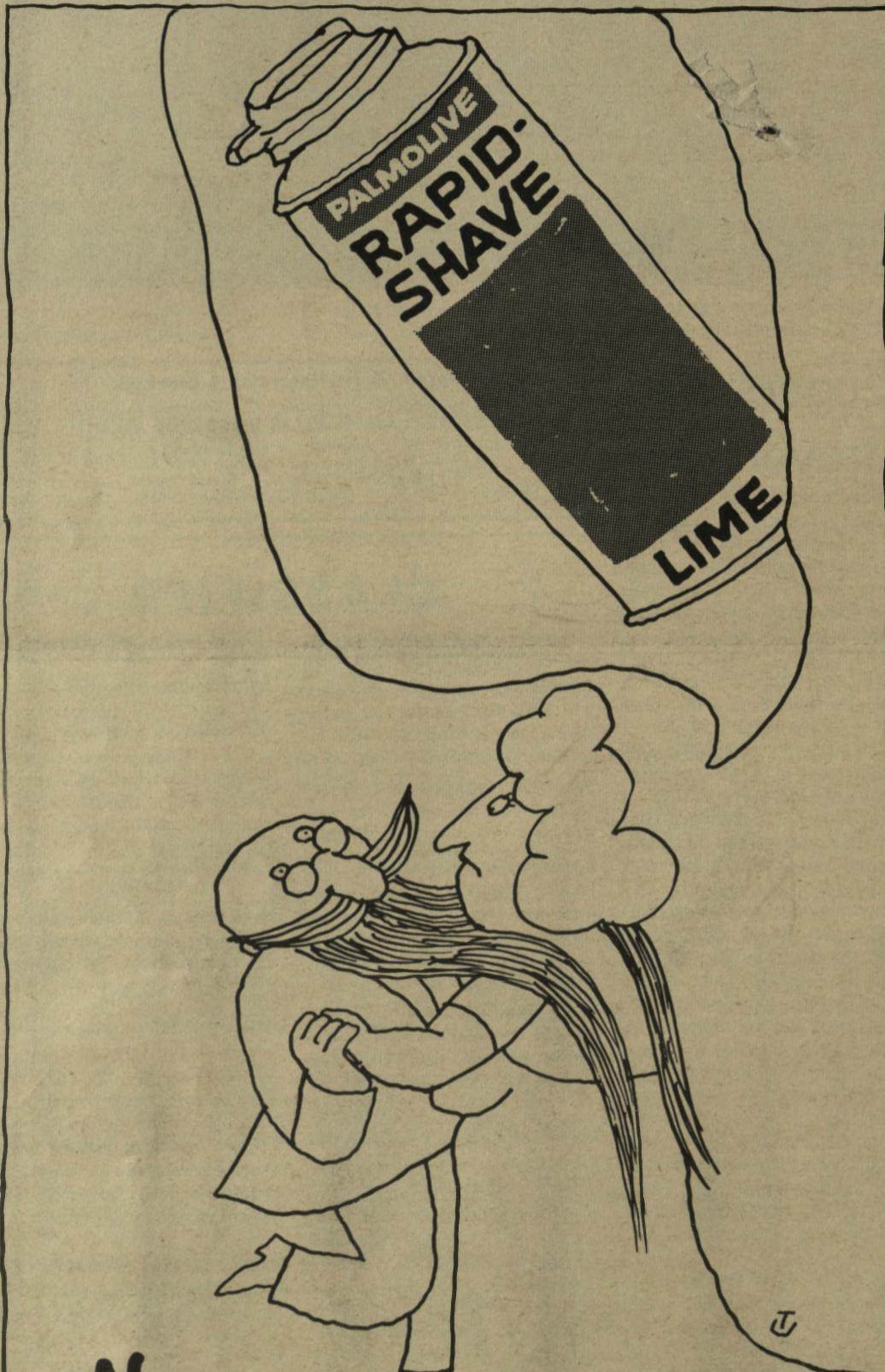
Much of the press interpreted the Leg's majority statement as an official action of the Leg, according to graduate representative Zo Avila.

"No notice of intention to hold this conference was given us; we feel therefore that the statement made must be held at this time to represent the opinions of the persons releasing it considered as individuals only," the minority statement went on.

"The clarification requested, or

rather demanded, from the BSU the press release would indeed something to be welcomed. However we do not feel the emotional tone the statement is in order . . . We feel it is particularly important at this time to reach for more promising alternatives," the minority statement read.

The minority statement was signed by John Webb, freshman legislator; Zo Avila, graduate rep; Gregg Pehson, rep at large; and Dave Riedmond, humanities rep.



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## Editor's desk

### Trustees' mistake

President John Summerskill is now on 60 day probation with a letter of warning in his pocket from the trustees of the California State Colleges.

If the decisions he makes in the next two months—that the students make for that matter—do not comply with the whims of the trustees, Summerskill may be suspended.

Or expelled even. Just like a student.

In effect, Summerskill better not act as President of SF State—with the right to make his own decisions—unless he wants to be ground to powder in the state's political machinery.

For the trustees decided Saturday that SF State should be thoroughly investigated for the next two months, to decide once and for all if John Summerskill is the right man for the presidential post. In addition they've told Summerskill that any students or faculty members caught preaching or practicing violence "shall be suspended or dismissed."

We agree with the trustees that these rabble-rousers should be disciplined. But then so does John Summerskill. He suspended four students for the attack on the Gater staff in November. He will do the same with the students involved with last week's turmoil.

But he should do it. Not the trustees. After all, if the trustees order the president of a state college around what kind of prestige or power will he be able to use to influence and create policy on campus? His position of authority and his capacity for enacting meaningful campus change have now been undermined.

Summerskill is far from the perfect administrator.

Still, he played his cards right last Wednesday—much to the shame and surprise of the MAPS-BSU-non-student coalition.

Because by not calling in the police, Summerskill had put the burden of defending, explaining and rationalizing last Wednesday's barbarisms on the backs of those who planned them.

And it will take a hell of a lot of defending, explaining and rationalizing to justify December 6.

But trustees have shifted the burden of explanation for what happened onto the shoulders of Summerskill.

It's a case of someone having to explain the actions of someone else. It would be better if the trustees talked to MAPS and the BSU.

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