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From The Editor

There seems to be a problem with our society, indeed there are many, but one has come to my attention most recently. The problem is apathy. It says very little for the student body when a cartoon character nearly is elected President of the student body. We as a whole seemed to be uninterested in the world around us. Few of us think about anything other than ourselves unless something bothers us personally. We are too comfortable!

applaud the "Mothers for Peace" and the those

members of the faculty that boycotted against the Foundation because of Apartheid. These people are doing something that they feel is important to the future of our society. I may not agree with what they believe in, but I am proud to see them doing something.

As a member of The Alternative staff I have met many different people with many different ideas. It seems. however, that these people have left the school. This article would not need to have

(See "Comfort" page 5)

"One of the most



From The Hill

Congress Gives Final Approval To Panelta Foreign Language Proposals

Congress has given final approval to measures authorized by Representative Leon E. Panetta (D-Monterey, Ca) which will encourage colleges and universities to increase participation in foreign language programs by students whose concentrations are in other areas of study.

The measures were part of the Higher Education Act Amendments of 1986, which were adopted by the House Wednesday and the Senate Thursday, and sent to the President for his signature.

Currently, federal post-secondary foreign language programs are focused entirely on students who specialize in language studies.

serious gaps in American post-secondary education today is the inability of most colleges and graduate students to speak a foreign language." Panetta said. "The fact is that there is virtually no professional area -- business, government, acedemics, science, or agriculture in which success does not depend on our ability to compete or

countries. 'It should be clear that fluency in foreign language is invaluable for students in all areas of learning. Yet, we do far too little to encourage students to include a foreign language in their

cooperate with foreign

programs." "My amendment requires and investment in learning that will pay enormous dividends in the future. By teaching foreign languages to more students, we will enhance our nation's economy, government, and academic and technological achievements."

Panetta's amendment, which was first approved by the House in December, has three provisions:

. It offers foreign language instruction grants to colleges and universities which have at least 5% of their student body enrolled in foreign language courses and which make foreign language study a prerequisite for either acceptance into or

(See "Language" page 5)

California Fetal Law

(Ed. note: In 1985 I wrote to several legislators for information on the laws regarding the disposal of fetal remains. Particularly, I wanted to know if it could be possible that they are being used for experimentation or are sold for their components, as some of the anti-abortionists had claimed. In response, California State Senator Kenneth L. Maddy, in a letter dated March 22, 1985, wrote, "There appears to be no validity to the allegation that aborted fetuses are used for any commercial purpose in California."

However, Senator Maddy included, as an attachment to his letter, a report by Attorney Sheila Nolan of the Office of Legal Services

for the State of California. The following is an exerpt from her 20-page report of May 3, 1984.)

"Initially, there is no statute specifically prohibiting the sale of fetuses, or prohibiting fetuses from being used for experimentation or organ transplants. In fact, there is a statute which specifically allows for the use of a fetus' body for experimentation or transplantation.

The question then becomes, is there any statute that generally forbids the use or sale of fetuses, or fetal remains. No. No statute generally regulates the use to which embryos, fetuses or fetal remains may be put. Likewise, we are unable to locate any California statute specifically regarding the sale (see Law. page 5)



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Sign-up for your position during College Hour in the University Union Thursday at 11:00.

Bomb Shelter Discs Andrew Darrow

Well, my request for more obscure albums has been answered. Thank you and let's hear from the rest of you out there.

Now that I am receiving a lot of BSD's the in the Mail I will begin to keep track of how many times each album is mentioned. So make sure your ten favorite albums are exposed.

Here are the Bomb Shelter Discs for this week.

- 1. 'Sparkle In The Rain" (1984), Simple Minds
- "Method To My Madness", Lords of thr new church.
- 3. 'Some Great Reward', Depech Mode
- 4. 'Good for your Soul", Oingo Boingo
- 5. 'Plays Live" (1983), Peter Gabrial
- 6. 'Crime of Passion" (1980), Pat Benetar
- 7. 'The Best of the Doors' (1973), The Doors
- 8. 'To Live and Die in L.A." (1985),
- Wang Chung 9. 'In a Chamber" Wire Train
- 10. "Standing on a beach", The Cure

Suicidal Disc: "Like a Virgin" (1984) Madonna

You guys are great!

Becky Anning

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I would be dead long before I could decide upon just Ten albums to take into a bomb shelter. Peter Gabrial, Pink Floyd, and the Talking Heads have already appeared in other lists, so here are some of my more obscure choices:

- 1. "The Doors" (1967), The Doors
- 2. "Leftoverture" (1976), Kansas
- 3. "Wild Gift" (1980), X
- 4. "Classic Yes" (1982), Yes
- 5. "The Pink Opaque", Cocteau Twins
- "Kaleidoscope" (1980), Souxsie & The Banshees
- 7. "Three of a Perfect Pair" (1984) or "Disipline" (1981), King Crimson
- 8. "United States" (uh-oh, 5 records) (1984), Laurie Anderson
- 9. "A Clockwork Orange" (1972)
- 10. "Glassworks", Philip Glass Suicide incentive: Patti LaBelle singing "We are The World".

Some one remember a stereo system. Mike Miller Here are my ten choices (not in any particular order) for your Bomb Shelter Disc Section:

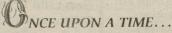
- 1. "Greatest Hits" (1985), The Cars
- 2. "Yan Halen" (1978), Yan Halen
- 3. "The River" (1980), Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band
- 4. "Under A Blood Red Sky", U2
- 5. "Stand By Me" (1986), Soundtrack
- 6. "World Wide Live" (1984) Scorpions
- 7. "Raising Hell" (1986), Run DMC
- 8. "Pack up the Plantation" (1985), Tom
- Petty and the Heartbreakers 9. "The Song Remains the Same"
- (1976), Led Zeppelin
- 10. "1962-1966" or "1967-1970", The Beatles

Suicidal Disc" Any and all twelve inch dance music singles.

On a different note (Ha Ha), I found the poem "What are Friends For?" (Yol. 2, Issue 2) yery warming, touching, and I could relate to it very, yery much. That poem made my week. Thank you Michael Harshaw, Const. Manag.

On behalf of Lee Benson we thank you.

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The bowling alley has been closed for over a year. The University Union director said that he closed the bowling alley because it was projected to lose \$39,000 during the next year. What he did not tell anyone was that the other bowling alleys in the California State University system were a source of revenue for the Unions. The Cal Poly bowling alley had been run as a service. The logical solution to making it profitable yould have been to promote the bowling alley and raise prices, which were only half of that of the public bowling alley. The whole process from the decision to destroy the bowling alley, without deciding what to put in

its place, until the present has been illogical. This is how the story unfolds: 1. In May 1985, the University Advisory Board (UUAB) was told that it should immediately vote to destroy the bowling alley because the Rec Sports office had to be moved to the bowling alley area from Mustang Lounge, so that work could proceed on Mustang Lounge. Logically, one would expect to decide what the bowling alley area and Mustang Lounge would be used for first. Since June 1985, the Rec Sports office has managed to get along without moving into the bowling alley area. 2. Also in May 1985, the before a revote on the bowling alley issue, after midnight, that the bowling alley was projected to lose \$39,000 if kept open another year. Roger Conway had repeated his assertion that the bowling alley could lose as much as \$280,000 in five years often enough that the **UUAB** had yoted mainly on financial implications. 3. In November 1985. the Dean of Students wrote a report to the President recommending the destruction of the bowling alley. He would not let the students see the report, which contained many false and misleading statements, until after the President made a decision. The President approved the destuction

of the bowling alley, even though he was given petitions signed by over 1,600 students. 4. In December 1985, the UUAB voted for the Fitness Center Proposal after being assured that the Fitness Center would lose less money than the bowling alley. The student body was not told that one of proposals submitted for the bowling alley area was a proposal to retain bowling. This proposal would save the \$200,000 planned to be spent on the Fitness Center plus the \$250,000 investment in the bowling alley; it would mean having a source of revenue for the union at much lower liability costs.

Since January 1986 facts have been surfacing: 1. The UUAB found out that the weight room was not going to be an additional facility after all; instead the old Universal equipment and classes from the Mustang Stadium weight facility would be moved to the U.U. Also, the UUAB had been falsely told that there did not need to be a person on duty in the weight room.

2. The Fitness Center was originally proposed as a temorary (5 year) facility for \$175,000, including weight equipment, until the Rec Center by the main gym was completed in the summer of 1990. The Fitness Center is presently a \$200,000 proposal, not including Nautilus equipment or

fire sprinklers. There was an amendment to the Fitness Center proposal, "Approval of the proposal is contingent upon all incremental costs with the total costs being under \$200,000; all new costs and new developments will be brought to the board for approval." The U.U. director is keeping costs inder \$200,000 by deleting costs approved by the UUAB, as new costs arise. One new cost is a fire wall, so it is supposed to come back to committee for approval.

As a result of poor planning on the part of the U.U. director, the Chancellor's office still does not have the necessary information to make a decision.

concerned about the way the bowling alley issue has been handled should write to the Physical Planning and Development Dept., CSU Chancellor's Office, 400 Golden Shore, Long Beach, CA 90802-4275. It it is desirable to have a weight room and aerobics room in the U.U., there are other places to put them. However, these are facilities that the State has provided for in the past. If the construction costs go over \$200,000, the proposal must go to the Board of Trustees, and student labor cannot be used.

Student Senate was told

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(Law, from Page 1) of embryos, fetuses, or fetal remains.

"We advised Senator Maddy that California law appears to intend the ultimate burning or burying of all dead fetuses and embryos following abortion... but that the law is very imprecise as to what may or may not be done to aborted fetuses or embryos pending such ultimate disposal.

"Roe y. Wade," ... has stated that fetuses are not persons under the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. ... At present, it appears that the Anatomical Gift Act allows dead 'fetuses' to be generally used for study, research and transplantation with a limited number of controls.It does not appear to be the case,

however, that under this Act anyone's consent is required for experimentation on any preborn fetus, whether being carried to term or not, or whether viable or not. This is a necessary and logical extension of the findings in 'Roe, Danforth, Ashcroft & Akron, that a fetus, viable or not, is not to be considered a person under the Constitution and therefore may be aborted.

"The final California statute that we think may be relevant to the issues ...raise(d) is Penal Code Sec. 187. It provides:

(a) Murder is the unlawful killing of a human being, or a fetus, with malice

aforethought.
(b) This section shall not apply to any person who commits an act

which results in the death of a fetus if any of the following apply:

- The act complied with the Therapeutic Abortion Act....
- 2) The act was committed by a holder of a physician's and surgeon's certificate...
- The act was solicited, aided, abetted, or consented to by the mother of the fetus.

Subdivision (b)(3) above would appear to give complete protection from a murder charge to anyone who kills a 'fetus' as long as the mother of the fetus solicited, aided, abetted or consented to the act that kills. ... Therefore, in California, no murder would appear to have taken place in the hypothetical situation we raised earlier, i.e., just prior to birth, a fetus is

killed by other than the abortion procedure -dissection of a fetus aborted by hysterectomy for research or transplant purposes, as long as the mother consented to the procedure that kills. Additionally, no consent for human experimentation would appear to be needed because the fetus is not completely born at the time of the dissection, and therefore, is not a 'human subject.' (Editor note: Ms. Nolan's report was sent to me by Senator Maddy. In his letter accompanying this material, the Senator said: "State law does permit experimentation for health education purposes under limited circumstances on what is legally termed fetal

remains. Upon completion of the study, the law requires that the remains be disposed of like other human remains; that is, buried or cremated. I hope this information will relieve some of your fears regarding abortions and the disposal of the remains."

I couldn't help but wonder if he'd read the whole report. My fears, which until then were pretty easily put aside, have been nagging me unmercifully ever since. The uses for fetuses in the health profession appear enormous, as is the supply. According to Teresa Brown of the San Luis Obispo Telegram-Tribune (Sept. 2, 1985) in 1982 47% (2,100) of all S.L.O pregnancies were terminated by abortion. L.B.)

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been written. But, no one seems to be interested in airing their opinions. I am led to believe that you of the student body have no opinions. There are things that are happening in the world, country, state, and even on the Campus that affect us all, even if in only a small way. You must have an opinion about something.

The reason The
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was to be an outlet for
student opinions. If
there are are no
opinions, then there is
no need for an outlet,
and The Alternative will
die. Then all that will be
left is a newspaper
which lets you state your
opinions as long as you
follow their guidelines.

There will be no place to send your letters about the bowling alley, or boycotts against the Foundation. If that is what you wish then so be it. We, The Alternative, will go, knowing that we did our best to fill a yoid.

The Alternative, as of this issue, will become a biweekly publication. There has not been enough response to warrant weekly publication. The only way that The Alternative will continue will be with your support. It has been said before and sounds cliche but, without you we are nothing; we *** you.

Please help us continue your cause. Thank you. Robert Frick

TODOTCI TION

The Albernative

("Language" from Page 1) graduation from the institution.

 It provides grants to colleges and universities fo study abroad programs in which academic work may be combined with internships in international businesses.

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Barry Toiv, from the office of Rep. Leon Panelta

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i suppose all my flowers
that fill my garden
will be gone someday...
I suppose they too will all be
gone...
as will all the green leaves
when dry and fall from
their trees
be swept up
by the rain
as well.

Where will they goa question I have sungpast green hills
and
rainbow clouds
and
over star filled
night
to a land yet not so far
away;
to a quiet land
where it all began-

I've seen it happen so many times before but never the same from today...

Since one of these flowers stood out from the others and caught my passing eye-A youthful rose, with stalk so green and dew that glistened in the sun...

This new flower that I gave water
I learned that it did die-

Its harder to take since it's art of the season the sun stand alone in the sky

The leaves are still green and the air so cleannorain to wash away the pain.

I look down upon my bed of Roses and wonder why things have to be...

for I look at the neat rows and notice you're gone my dusky and faraway Rose...

Chris Sauer

Ode To The Co-ed
Ode to the co-ed, with open legs,

Beautiful smiles that never laugh. Ever looking, yet wanting no one to see Her father's cleansing bath.

She smiles with company, yet hurries to be alone To acknowledge their tears.
The poor lovely co-ed, in and unknown world Surrounded by her future fears.

She walks to a garden, to a befriending tree Her tears prove more than her book can hide. The pages are wet, the words unnnoticed While passerbys seem happily alive.

Ode to the co-ed, with open legs Knowing not what to give. She's young and smart, but books don't count She needs to learn to live.

P. Pura

A blue
As only the sky can be,
is what I feel
Inside of me

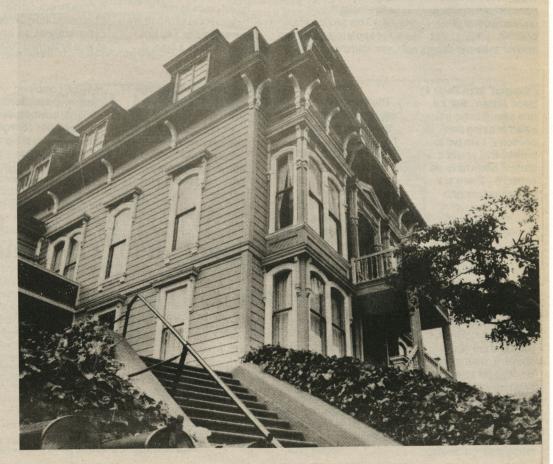
Even on the most lovely day The clouds aren't white But really grey

And so perhaps I might explode Crumbling underneath the load Of life, and things That life's path brings

May perhaps shorten this, The spinning, whirling, deep abyss, I will take myself away And in the Earth, I shall lay

My soul to rise and reach the sky My heart at last Will finally fly

Laura Cartwright



Photograph courtesy of Dustin Logan See more of Dustin's work in the Craft Center Gallery

UNRAYELING

The house was clean, the dishes were washed and stacked in the drainer. Fred put his hands in his back pockets, palms out, and with his fingernails scratched the balled-up pocket linings, the maroon polyester of his trousers showing the paths that this habit had worn. He lowered himself to his hands and knees, ran his hand along the shag carpet, and with his thick fingers pulled a thing or two from the orange strings ofyarn. These he rolled between his thumb and firgers before slipping them into the pocket of his yellow windbreaker.

"Yep, looks good," he chirped, he was satisfied.

Clapping his hands and swinging his hips and arms -- doing a bit of a dance. Fred walked into the kitchen. He settled his elbows against the edge of the counter, bent at the hips, staring out the window. He waited like that, the tile making designs in his forearms, until he heard a car in the driveway. Step, step, he was at the front door, and after the doorbell sounded he rubbed his paims and again moved himself as if to dance. He waited a long time, several seconds, and then he opened the

"Hi, Susan. Come on in." He was grinning happily.

"I hope my call didn't disturb you. I just realized that I'd forgotten a few things, some clothes, and I have a convention up north..." her voice grew quiet as she talked. "Tuesday... I'm, uh, leaving Tuesday."

The young woman passed a ringless hand through her brown hair, then dropped her fingers to her shoulder, where they toyed lightly and freely with first the leather strap of her purse, then the silk of her blouse. She touched the sapphire that dangled from her

"Boy, Susan," Fred said, shaking his head and shaping his mouth the way people do when they contemplate man's greatest achievements. They do this, and it says, "God, isn't that incredible?" which sounds very stupid, and is why the shake of the head and the grimace are better.

"I'm so glad you called.
It's really great to see
you. I mean, I know it's
kind of against the rules,
but three months is such
a long time to not see
you," Fred said, standing
very still.

"I'll just get my things, then. I think I'll need my woolens. It can be so cold up north, you know." she said, but Fred didn't hear her. She was already walking away from him, down the hall, toward her closet of silks and wools and linens.

I hated to even drive into that neighborhood. It seemed so dark, like somehow when you drove into it you were driving through a tunnel, but instead of coming out at the other end, those dingy houses and old Fords and rusty, beaten trash cans lined the

streets, and it was all there in that tunnel.

I could picture him. then. He'll have the television on, probably. maybe not. No, maybe he's waxing his car; he likes to wax his car. That car is twenty-eight years old, original upholstery, original everything except one taillight that I replaced because I'd backed the car into a post. I wasn't even supposed to be driving it. I'd replaced that damned piece of plastic right then-missed an appointment to do it, just so it'd be fixed before he got home from work. But he knew. Said he could "feel it." How the hell do you live with a man like

There was the house I wanted to get it over with as quickly as

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The Alternative P.O. Box 382 San Luis Obispo, Ca 93406 possible, because I had a lunch date at noon. I parked, walked to the door, rang the bell (which felt wierd, to ring the bell where I'd always just walked in). I waited. I hate this, I thought. I knew he'd be glad to see me. Maybe even thought my errand was pretense, an excuse to go back to see him, the house. That made me nervous and sad. Don't do this; you won't have a chance if you feel sorry

"Hi, Susan. Come on in." Don't look too closely at him, at the house. Would the familiarity of favorite chairs, a quilt, a basket filled with magazines, suck me back in? I'd heard of that happening.

But I looked at him anyway, at his clothes, his loafers, his glasses, and wondered what there was for me? There was nothing there for me. Get your clothes. Leave quickly. Think about lunch.

l explained to Fred that I needed some clothes for a meeting up north. I was really excited about going, and I was ashamed when I realized my voice conveyed my excitement; I lost my voice somewhere in my embarrassment, and then Fred was gazing at me, the way people look at stars, and he was shaking his head. I didn't think it would be this bad.

I thought about being up north, in that breezy city. I'll probably need my woolens, it gets so chilly there at night. I think I said something about its being cold up

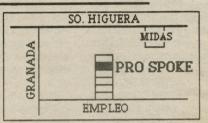
north, and then I left him by the front door, just standing there with his hands in his back pockets, while I went down the hall as fast as I could, trying not to run. Julie Thompson

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