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RA's Named

Recently selected for next year's resident assistantships in the Living Learning Center were Mike Lewis, Dave Griffin, Robin McKinny, Naomi Rubio, Dave Siegel, and Jeannette Serneke.

Housing Director Rick Huntley was "gratified by the student response" of 43 applications to fill the six positions. Questions posed by Mr. Huntley in an initial interview included "How should students be involved in the decision-making process?" and "What should be the residence staff attitude toward the students?" The answers given in these and other questions allowed Huntley the information necessary to narrow the field to five men and six women. They also provided him with the valuable student input on major problem areas which confront the planners of the dorm complex.

The final selection committee was composed of Student Services staff members. This committee returned its recommendations to Mr. Huntley, and the final decisions were announced.

Season Ends, 21-5

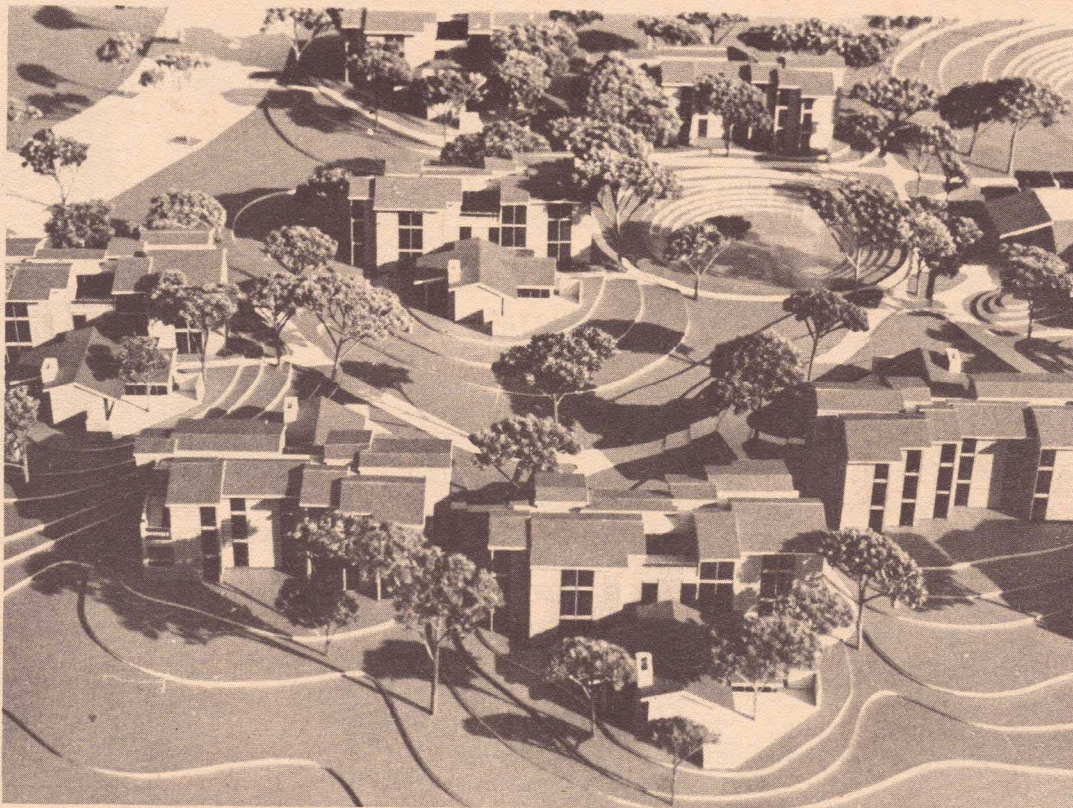
The Roadrunner cagers ended their first season of play in good style on the last weekend in February. The 'Runners thumped the L.A. Baptist Mustangs, 81-74, Friday, February 25, at the Civic Auditorium. Saturday, CSB travelled south to meet the tough U.C. Irvine Anteaters. Fortune failed to smile on Jim Larson's hoopsters and they lost a very close, hard fought game, 81-76. The win and the

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Huntley shared that he was not looking for "yes people"; the major requirement was overall maturity of judgement and a willingness to make decisions on the basis of one's personal beliefs, rather than on the requirements of a role. Technical prerequisite was three quarters of attendance at CSB prior to June.

Huntley stated that the main difficulty in setting up the programs for next year is that there is no precedent on which to base decisions. Because of this, the new resident assistants will be required to take Peter Steiner's Education 299 course, "Student Leadership", in the Spring quarter. During their spring training they will work on a residence hall handbook, which will perhaps include individual statements on the goals of the Living Learning Center. The handbook, then, may be an introduction to the staff as well as to the complex.

The resident assistants will also be required to arrive early for fall quarter, to undergo an intensive training session including counseling, referral, first-aid, suicide prevention, and drug control training techniques. During this period prior to arrival of the new residents, the assistants will come into contact with all segments of the college community. The focus of the fall training session will be to make the resident assistants aware of some of the problems they may encounter during the year, since none of them have ever had residence hall experience before.



Cal State's Housing Project

The first phase of Cal State's housing project is proceeding on schedule towards the opening date late this summer.

The project includes six residence halls, a dining commons and a king-size pool. Each of the three-story houses will accommodate fifty-nine students.

Each floor is divided into two separate wings. Rooms will house two or three students with twenty-

nine double occupancy and three triple occupancy rooms per house.

The individual room furnishings include

bolster-type beds which can be converted into bunk beds, thus providing additional floor space. Each occupant will have his own desk, study lamp, chair,

bookcase, chest of drawers and closet. The rooms also have individual heating and cooling units.

Coed Living?

When questioned as to whether or not the houses were to be coed, Mr. Rick Huntley, director of housing, replied, "At this point we are not committed to coed dorms, but it is possible that, if we have an imbalance in the number of male and female applicants, we would then have to, in order to fill the houses, make a commitment to some type of coed living arrangement."

The first floor of each house will have two lounges fully carpeted and furnished. The lounges are designed with exposed-beamed ceilings. Each house will have a game table and color television.

Commuters

There will also be space for lockers and a limited study area with eight individual carrels. Each commuting freshman will be assigned to one of the houses. Those sophomores who choose to participate in next year's living/learning programs may also at-

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Bike Path

Recognizing the current interest in bicycle riding and the need for bike paths, Dr. Greene's Sophomore Seminar has devoted the winter quarter to an exploration of the possibilities of getting a bike path along Stockdale Highway out to CSB.

This enthusiastic group has talked to people in the community about a bike path, compiled estimates of costs and time that would be necessary for construction, and exchanged letters of inquiry with other cities which do have bike paths.

In order to substantiate the campus's need and desire for bike paths, the class compiled a student survey. The survey was issued in late February. In their last meeting the results of that survey had been compiled and the statistics were distributed to the group. The statistics read strongly in favor of a bicycle path, 95% yes, 3% no, and 2% no comment.

Some questioning over the validity of the

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Free Summer School

At L.A. State

Students enrolled at CSB or any California State College will be permitted to attend Cal State L.A. during the Summer Quarter, without filing a formal application and without having to pay an application fee, under terms of a "visitor status" plan.

The plan, which was introduced last Summer, allows any student in good academic standing at any state college to attend Cal State L.A. by filing a simple request at his resident campus for visitor status. The normal \$20 registration fee is waived as are the transcript and application-for-admission documents. Application deadline is April 30.

Cal State L.A. offers four equal academic quarters during the year, with each quarter running 11 weeks. About 80% of the college's regularly enrolled students attend the Summer Quarter.

Although three other state colleges among the 19 in the system offer their

regular classes in the Summer Quarter, Cal State L.A. is the only large campus among the group. (Other Quarter System campuses are Cal State Hayward, Cal Poly Pomona, and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.)

Persons applying for visitor status must be eligible to register at their resident college as a continuing student for the Fall term. Applications will be accepted on a space available and enrollment quota basis.

At the end of the Summer Quarter, Cal State L.A. will forward a transcript of grades earned to the student's resident college. The visitor status plan eases the financial and enrollment burden on the student.

Summer Quarter classes this year in Los Angeles begin June 19 and end the week of August 28. All buildings on the campus are air conditioned.

Applications for visitor status can be obtained from the admissions office at any state college campus.



Seen here are Sonnet Thornburgh and Rick Kornbau, two members of the cast for the Fine Art Department's excellent presentation of "Arms And The Man." The George Bernard Shaw comedy entertained delighted audiences the first four evenings this month.

A spring quarter production is already being planned: "Under Milkwood" by Dylan Thomas.

Blood Drive

Postponed: Why?

Albatross: Mr. Whitlach, we reported in the last edition of our paper that a campus blood drive would be conducted on March 7. Did that event occur?

Whitlach: No. In fact it was conspicuous by its absence. Don't you think so?

Albatross: Yes, it was. What happened?

Whitlach: Well, just as your paper was going to print, I was beginning my effort to advertise the blood drive. One of the first things that I did was to call the Houchin Blood Bank to confirm March 7 as the date that their mobile unit and their personnel would be on campus to accept donations. We had agreed with Houchin before school started last Fall that on this date we would conduct our second

blood drive. The nurse in charge even entered this information on a calendar at the time.

So, I called Houchin and the nurse in charge there told me that they'd decided not to come out to school. Of course, this meant no blood drive.

Albatross: Had you or

anyone else involved been informed of the cancellation before your call?

Whitlach: No. We received no word at all.

Albatross: What is your reaction to all this?

Whitlach: First of all, I think that what was done by the people responsible at Houchin was extremely inconsiderate. I would say rude, but that may be too strong of a word.

Albatross: What reasons were given to you that account for the cancellation?

Whitlach: The nurse in charge told me that there wasn't enough response on the last drive to warrant their coming out to campus again unless something was done to improve the situation. She told me that in the two days they were on campus only 13 pints of blood had been accepted, and they were, in essence, wasting their time. She bemoaned the fact that with nothing to do but sit on their hands at long stretches of time, the mobile unit crew could have been better occupied accepting donations at

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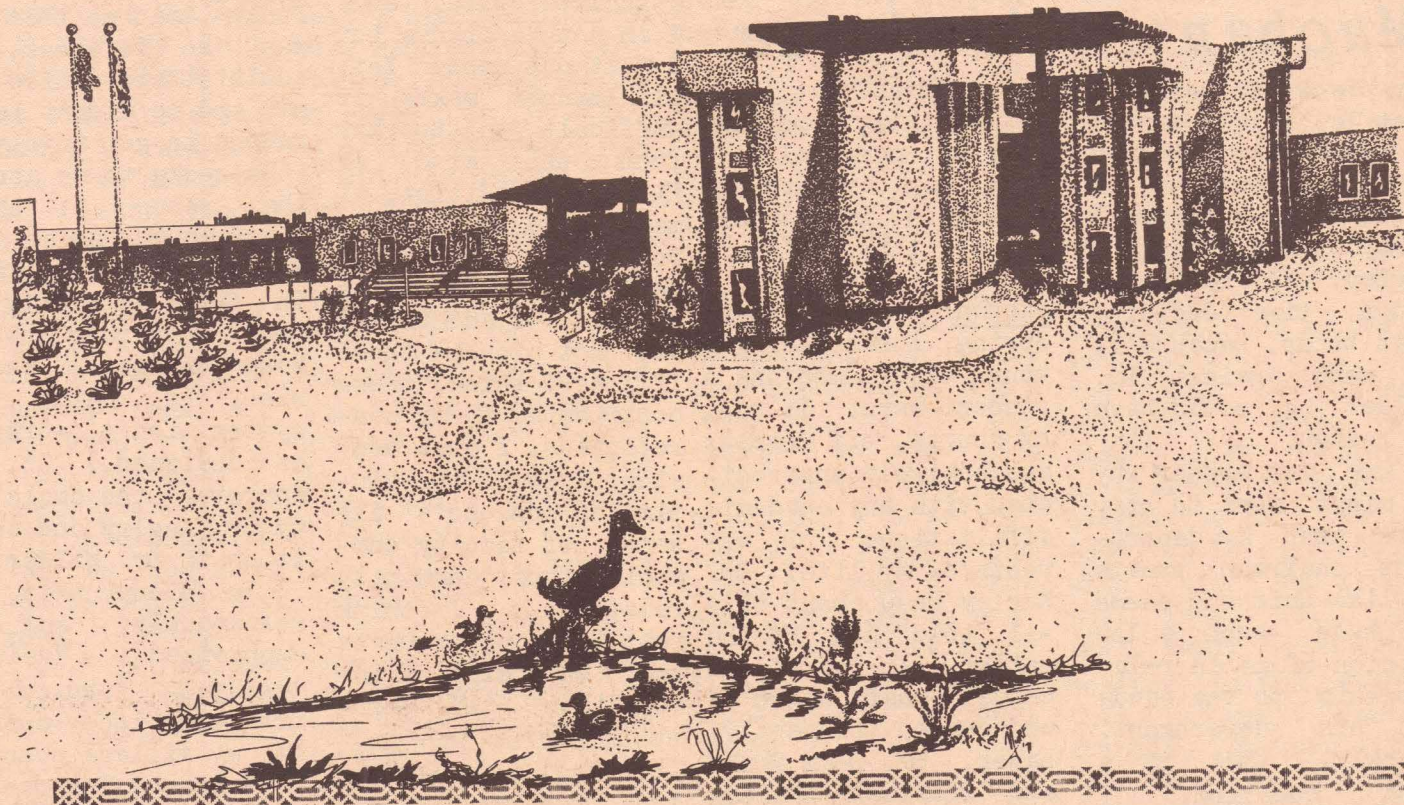
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Fuzz Report

by Campus Police

Widespread discussion and criticism has erupted due to recent enforcement policies adopted by the California State College, Bakersfield, Police Department in regards to parking on campus. Rather than belabor the questions of legality, prudence, or wisdom, and to lessen unnecessary discomforts to all concerned, the following guidelines are to be followed:

Parking is permitted in the parking lot directly north of the present Science Building, the parking lot south of the Administration buildings, along the east-west portion of the roadway (the roadway in front of the modules extending to the new parking lot south of the New Science Building, but excluding areas painted red, or adjacent to turf areas), in the new parking lot south of the New Science Building, and in the dirt area west of that lot, but excluding the turf area or road. Parking is not permitted in any other areas unless so designated.

While we realize the problem that parking is on this campus as a result of increased enrollment without increased parking facilities, we are bound by considerations of insurance liabilities, fire hazards, traffic hazards, and maximum availability of certain areas of the campus to faculty, staff, and students, to continue our present enforcement policies.

During registration, members of this department will be distributing copies of both the Parking Regulations and a map showing designated parking areas. We urge you to read these and possibly save all concerned unnecessary hardship.

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Volunteer Program

A community involvement program, mostly unknown to the majority of the Cal State Bakersfield student body, is attempting to develop a meaningful relationship between the campus and the community. This program is the CSB Volunteers Program which is designed as a direct action program aimed at correcting educational deficiencies being experienced by some of our community members of all ages. The program covers four areas of educational settings and they are: 1) Tutoring at elementary and secondary schools with a high level of reading problems. 2) Tutoring in basic skills at Vista High School and Kern View Mental Health Center. 3) Tutoring at the Friendship House reading center. 4) CSB Tutoring Program in Reading Improvement.

Cal State, in an effort to increase its educational participation in the community, is also trying to broaden its own academic program. It will offer the opportunity to those members of the student body who wish to participate in the learning experience to sign up for either Education 111 or Education 110 as tutors, aides, counselors, etc., on a pass/fail basis. These

volunteer students will tutor in the basic reading skills or in their major area, depending on ability, at designated elementary and secondary schools.

There is another alternative for those students who wish to participate in the program but do not wish to sign up for the credit classes. They may work through the CSB Activities Office as volunteers at either Vista High School, Kern View Mental Health Center, or Friendship House. The program at Friendship House is a self-contained reading center and will need six volunteers to work the program. Supervisor, Miss Pansy Gee, meets three times a week with each tutor assigned to a student needing help in basic reading skills. The programs at Vista and

Kern View are strictly tutoring situations in basic skills.

In addition to the areas mentioned there is another program available for upper division credit involving work as a reading tutor on the CSB campus. This course is Education 582, which is being coordinated by Dr. Miller and it is a reading improvement program course. This program is designed for children who have financial means and transportation available to enroll in the program and receive their tutoring on campus. A fee of \$25 will be levied to cover the cost of materials.

Other volunteer involvement opportunities are available through the Activities Office. These include Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, YMCA, Helping the Handicapped, and so on. Contact Ms. Gayer Perry, Student Activities Advisor, in SS 110 for more information.

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Part II

Dr. Tibor Machan: At Issue

We left off with Dr. Machan explaining some of the unofficial reasons for his non-retention.

... Another matter comes to my mind. I wrote a letter to the editor of the Bakersfield Californian during last year's UN week. It was critical of the UN and coun- cilled that people withdraw support from it. This letter was mentioned in my evaluation letter, written by Dr. Kegley (and at that time open to me for examination). So, you see, Dr. Keg- ley does seem to be concerned about areas of my activities which have nothing to do with my performance on campus either as a scholar or as a teach- er.

A couple of other things I think unfor- tunate might be perti- nent. This Fall when my retention was at issue--mostly because my dissertation was at its final stage of completion -- I was hearing rumors that Dr. Kegley was asking people about how he could "get rid of" me. Some chairmen told me that he did just that. I don't think I should tell you who they were, but I will, if anyone wants to check me on this. I was also told,

way back in October, that Dr. Wilder wanted to fire me. This by my chairman's own wife, at an informal party. And that Dr. Kegley was having a tough time deciding what to do, because if he went against Dr. Wilder he would have to resign.

One may wonder why I might want to stay here when my depart- ment chairman treats me like this and seems to have such a low opinion of me in rela- tionship to the needs of his department. Frankly, that is a good question. I think one must do as much for oneself as reasonably allowable. I would like to settle down to some peace and quiet after just fin- ishing my Ph. D. and so many years of being a student. I want to take a serious ap- proach toward my pro- fession as a teacher. I would like not to have to go from one side of the country to the other--I have been on the road for all my life, ever since I left Budapest; I worked very hard to obtain this position. The job market is very bad and I think that it is a grossly unjust thing that this has happened. So, that's why I would still want to stay.

Albatross: What about your personal life?

Do you feel that there is anything specific in your personal life that may have had any influence in the mak- ing of this decision?

Machan: Yes. Last Spring I was seeing a young lady who was a student here. It was, of course, off campus and entirely unassoci- ated with any academic affiliations or as- pects of my life. Dr. Kegley knew about this --I told him of the matter, at one of our casual chats which he encouraged frequently. Later, he, Dean Ponko and President Romberg said the matter had nothing to do with my firing--and I haven't much evidence that it has been a factor. But Dr. Kegley's own actions were erratic about such matters. After my separation from my wife last Win- ter, he called me to say that I "should watch myself in light of" certain, by him named, administrators' religious beliefs. He may have thought this the kind thing to do-- I don't know. It seemed to me to be presumptuous and in- sulting. Besides, Dr. Kegley made frequent references to my per- sonal/ sexual/romantic life. He teased, whined, and otherwise, without the slightest provocation from me, made references to my bachelor status, what

kind of women I should associate with, etc. I am not a prude, but I felt put upon. Yet, his manner makes it difficult to stop him from this kind of fishing expedition. I make note of this to point up that we in- deed had some rifts between us and that I did not provoke them. If, as I think, these contributed to my non- retention, I must con- sider myself the vic- tim of someone's ill sense of faculty com- munications, community relations. I think that it is unfortunate that this kind of in- formation is sought about one's faculty. Dr. Kegley's crite- rion for considering people acceptable is, to say the least, highly questionable-- what with his worry about beards, religi- ous origin and sexual conduct. As bad as this sounds, it is sadly true. Without better knowledge of why I wasn't retained than "We can do better" I must consider such silly factors as de- cisive, unfortunately. Such kind of informa- tion should not be considered in deciding what kind of people are hired to teach students who come to college for a genuine education and not to see a circus.

Albatross: What about the other people, be- sides your department chairman who had part in this decision?

Machan: Well, Dean Ponko told me that he was, so to speak, an administrative middle- man and he didn't have reason to get involved (He spoke to me about the setup at this place which, as he saw it, left the chairmen in full authority a- bout whom they should keep or get. Other- wise, he said, the system isn't working as designed.) So, he approved the decision by Dr. Kegley and sent it on to Dr. Wilder.

Dr. Wilder said, he reluctantly, and he emphasized "reluc- tantly," favored my non-retention because of my village council performance I spoke of before. He received word from professor Lloyd Seaton, who headed the Council for some months, saying that I was "damaging" and "destructive" with my comments. As a re- sult of this, Dr. Wil- der, too, decided against me.

My reply to that is: I am at times harsh, indeed -- al- though not unjustifi- ably, always. I am not trying to be dip- lomatic, but to assert the truth about the issues at hand as far as possible. Perhaps in Village Council I did this in a youngish fashion; one who has not weathered many years of committee life. But I do stand behind what I said and am glad to say that many others who heard my comments approved.

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responses was raised. There was some discussion on the issue, and while some of the responses were felt to be over-enthusiastic, members of the seminar agreed that the survey could be con- sidered valid.

Right now the group is in the process of compiling information for a text to go along with the graph of statistics, which will be dis- tributed on campus and in the community during the spring quarter. They then plan to continue work on getting the path.

Anyone interested in helping is invited to direct his or her inquiry to Dr. Greene in the Physics department.

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They were not fired. Of course, one original member of Village Council already left this place, partly in disgust with the sham. In fact, he resigned from it, as did some others last year. When I read stuff about that "innovative concept" in newspapers (the recent Westways article on Bakersfield had quotes from Dr. Romberg about it) I think of the sham it was last year. Instead of leveling with us on how much could be accomplished, we were "utopian," just as Dr. Wilder counseled--I believe, to the college's detriment.

After I got my letter telling me of the decision, I went to see Dr. Romberg. I told him about all this. All I got in answer was some comment about how "everybody has his place in life," this, presumably, not being mine. In fairness, he asked me about job prospects and offered to help, although that seemed somewhat perplexing. I think Dr. Romberg was placed in a difficult position. He was given the decision by three people whose job it was to make them, and he knew little of the details. Yet, on the other hand, several other faculty came to him and said that this was a bad thing to do. It would set a precedent that would make everyone nervous. After all,

Machan is a good, lively person. From what I heard, Dr. Romberg said that he cannot do anything about my case in the light of the recommendations except to concur with the judgement. As of now, Dr. Romberg is still talking about helping me obtain another position. I was considering not giving this interview on the grounds that he is doing so and maybe this would stop him. I hope that's not the way the ball bounces around here.

Other than that, several students and majors have gone to the parties involved, upset with the decision. But nothing has resulted.

Albatross: If this decision could be revised, would you want to stay?

Machan: Yes. You see, I can work with Dr. Kegley. It is he who seems unwilling to work with me. I mean, it wasn't I sending letters to recommend his dismissal as chairman to anybody. I don't want him to be my "buddy" and never did. I just want him to do his job as chairman. I have worked with people I didn't like or admire before. You just do your job and get done what is expected of you and go about working out your life for yourself. I didn't ask for a big daddy.

Albatross: What was the reaction from the other members of your department?

Machan: I think you would have to ask them about that to get the answer. I can only say that there was no great protest. I asked Dr. Kessler what he would have done and he replied he would have retained me. Dr. Angus is not in a position to say very much about this sort of thing. He is very junior here and doesn't really know what is going to happen to him. In a sense it's a very sticky situation for them. Seeing how I was handled, judged on nothing that has to do with my competence, or with my professional dissatisfaction, or any projection to that effect into the future, one can understand that people would get a little upset and reluctant to move. Those who need a certain amount of security, and want to work in peace and quiet, cannot afford to rattle any chains.

Albatross: Were your colleagues of your department asked for their advice or any input at all?

Machan: From what I understand from them Dr. Kegley asked them to promise "neutrality" in the case and they did promise. I must admit that I cannot understand such a promise. Then Dr. Keg-

ley made the decision. I do know that he asked other professors "how do I get rid of Machan," making no reference to my performance as a professor or philosopher what so ever, or to my behavior around the college and community. (I heard that he did complain about my personal life a bit. He did this to me, as well.) I know he didn't like me here. He talked with my colleagues to find out if they would go along with him and found out. They tell me that their input was positive to the extent that it went. But, frankly, we know little of each other's work, especially since Dr. Kessler is in religious studies and Dr. Angus, who was in grad school with me, but in none of my seminars, just got here. So, it was Dr. Kegley who concluded that "I can do better with someone else who is not like Machan." It's as simple as that and as tragic as that, for me, too.

Albatross: What was your reaction when you heard about some faculty approaching President Romberg showing their dismay with this decision?

Machan: I was made aware of some of this late in the game. I knew of some, but with others I was surprised. I didn't know that people had any

interest in or even cared about the case. I didn't really know how much "umph" or "gumption" there is around here. I was very glad. It secures better relations with in other departments -- I mean, there are people on this campus who will stand up for the people in their departments. There are departments that aren't headed by Dr. Kegley. That is good for the college and it's good for the students. How much good is it for me? Not very much--because of Dr. Romberg's decision to support the three recommendations he received from Drs. Kegley, Ponko and Wilder instead of responding positively to the requests of those who protested my firing.

Albatross: What has been made in the line of remarks directed to your letter in the Bakersfield Californian? Of last year, that is.

Machan: Dr. Kegley said in his letter of evaluation that it was indiscrete for me to have written it. Dr. Wilder mentioned it, too, and objected to my moralistic language. Dr. Wilder, who has told me of his "pragmatism," doesn't approve of moral judgments of political institutions and events, I guess. Mind you, I didn't care what he

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tach themselves to one of the dorms. These commuter students will be levied a five dollar fee per quarter for use of the study, lounge, swimming pool, and locker facilities.

Dining

The dining commons has seating for 180 people at any given time. Highly flexible in design, there is a large central commons plus three smaller side rooms. These side rooms can be used for group meetings. Tables will seat groups of

four or eight. Designed with high-beamed ceilings, the facility is fully carpeted. It is undecided whether or not the dining commons will be open to the entire campus community.

Cost

Cost will be \$1200 per academic year which includes nineteen meals a week with brunch and dinner served on weekends. Maid service is not provided, however, all other custodial and maintenance services are. All public areas will be cleaned daily. Dorm cost encompasses

utilities.

Mr. Huntley said that there has been good response to the preliminary housing application. Enough interest has already been expressed to fill three houses or one-half of the project. Most responses have come from applicants for September admission from outside the Bakersfield area. Students currently enrolled who are interested in housing may get more information and application forms from Mr. Rick Huntley in Student Services.

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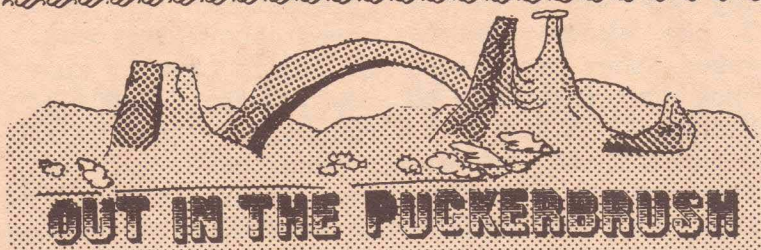
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by Stan Ford

Flash! Two weeks ago KAFY radio station brought you an extra 24 hours of music between February 28 and March 1. Today, CSB surpasses that accomplishment: Today is Monday.

To show its innovative power, the college declared that Tuesday, March 14, would be a Monday, bringing you an unprecedented two Mondays in a row. Congratulations, CSB, on a job well-done.

With this fantastic weather, it's hard to believe that anyone would ever want to leave this heaven; but yes, Virginia, there is a world out there. And Debbie Matheney has been accepted for studying in Britain next year through the State College Program. Congratulations, Debbie!

On the topic of leaving, we should realize that most threats to do so never amount to anything because threats are merely a method of passing time. Condemnation of Bakersfield has become a way of life for our younger generation. We converse on two levels: 1) There is nothing to do in this town, and 2) I wish I could leave; (2) being an outgrowth of (1). So let's examine the accusation that there is nothing to do.

A couple of weeks ago You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown played in the BC auditorium. The hall was not sold out. The production was fantastic, in spite of a generally apathetic community reception.

A week ago Shaw's Arms and the Man was presented in LB 100 by the CSB Players' Club and the Fine Arts Department. I happened to see it on Thursday night of the four-day run. Twenty-five people watched, huddled in clumps about the theater-in-the-round production. No audience response makes the best actors mere mechanical figures tromping upon a rehearsal stage. I hope the players' efforts were rewarded by larger and more responsive audiences on the other three nights.

I cite these drama presentations for want of knowing what else Puckerbrush People are looking for. The city has a well-rounded supply of sports programs and recreational facilities. Concerts appealing to all tastes appear at the Civic and other auditorium facilities. If you're looking for a bar with dancing, there's at least one with a great band. So it seems plentiful, or at least sufficient, opportunities exist. Complaints continue, however.

It's easier to watch the boob tube and complain about the lack of activities than to get out and Do Something. It's your own lack of activity you're griping about, not the town's. If you complain about having nothing to do, it's because you're one of those weaklings who never accomplishes anything and who never gets anywhere, either in-town or out-of-town. Some people make their own lives. Others let them be made for them. Complainers are Puckerbrush People, either glued to the tube or out in the bush country. "What else is there to do?" they ask.

The complaint issued to the above answers: Those things aren't worth doing. Well, if you want some group in concert, or some play performed, your best bet is to support those activities that do exist, and then make suggestions to the appropriate people. If drama com-

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liked or not. It isn't really his business. I am not sure he agrees, of course, but he has said to me that such issues are the proper concern of the college. But I am not his son or nephew and do not need this kind of advice from him or Dr. Kegley, yet they seem to cast themselves in such roles quite freely, judging by my case. (Dr. Wilder's treatment of my remarks in Village Council --remarks which failed in no respect other than they didn't please him --attested to this, as well as did his comment about my view of education as "naive" -- no argument, no criticism, just "naive." That's daddy talk, not exchange between professional intellectuals.) It seems to me, I don't question their wisdom of writing or not writing to newspapers and such, or any phase of their private lives, so they ought to desist, as well.

Albatross: In closing, is there anything else you would like to say?

Machan: I hope, for your sake, Dr. Romberg secures a good Philosophy Department for the school, despite

that Dr. Kegley's preference is for people who are primarily oriented towards accommodating administrative/bureaucratic and idiosyncratic harmony, never mind intellectual spunk. I hope this college doesn't go down hill or become just a showcase of conservatism for the community as opposed to an interesting intellectual atmosphere, offering genuine educational, cultural stimulation. What with the emphasis on basketball, the complete abandonment of my own proposed faculty forum where faculty would present papers to discuss them, and similar directions, the signs aren't promising. But then CSCB was never meant to be an academic community. The point is only that students should be told what the goals are -- in other than slippery platitudes.

Other than that, I wish, of course, that I hadn't been fired. I am sure I would have been very good for the college. I looked forward to building my life, instead of finding another new place for me. The job market is seven to one, or worse. And regardless of the fact that I am being dismissed for reasons unrelated to my scholarly

achievements, my record will be tainted and this will hurt me. Things are going to be tough; I doubt I will get a job very readily. However, I won't starve. I guess I can always go back to school bus driving! But I won't be able to get on my way and pursue the career I have worked for rather strenuously as readily as I would have, had they not made such a mess for me.

Albatross: What are your keepings for the future that you are involved with at the moment?

Machan: Well, I have an anthology of essays in political and social philosophy coming out in about a year. It has been accepted. I am planning on another political philosophy conference on the nature of law and crime; I will have a book out on human rights very soon. I am giving a course on the philosophical foundations of psychology during my last quarter here, as well as the introductory course in philosophy; I coedit a magazine with 3500 subscribers and expect to work on it very vigorously; I am going to San Jose on March 23 to give a talk on government in a free society. My private life is in very good shape--all would be nice without this unfortunate interruption, about which I am rather bitter.

I know that what I have to say in some areas is worth saying. And since I know most about philosophy and how it relates to the

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panies flourish, they can produce more and better productions; if they have community support, they can learn what the community wants to see. Don't just sit back and criticize. If you want to see America, or Neil Diamond, or Lawrence Welk, in concert, let the Civic or the radio stations or somebody know it, and get a drive going to secure them. You have to help make Bakersfield your town. It won't do it for you.

Last thought for the day: Don't always look at the long-term goal. Think about "A Life in the Day of Mr. (or Ms.) Student."

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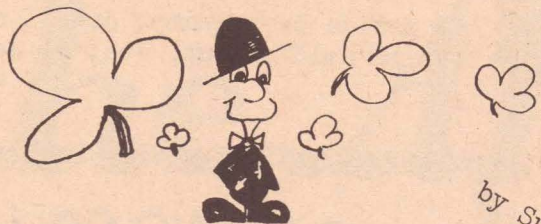
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St. Pat's Day

by Suzy Murphy

St. Patrick's Day, March 17, is a grand day for the Irish. It is a national holiday for Ireland, and Irishmen and their descendants celebrate it all over the world. However, how many of these people actually understand what they are celebrating?

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated to commemorate the death of St. Patrick, Christian missionary to Ireland in the fifth century. St. Patrick, while in Ireland, founded 300 churches and baptized more than 12,000 persons.

Green has traditionally been the color of the day, and a shamrock (which is the national flower of Ireland) is worn to commemorate St. Patrick's use of it. According to a legend, St. Patrick planted the shamrock in Ireland in order to help

explain the concept of the Trinity: the three leaves representing the three persons of the Trinity, and the stem from which the leaves grew representing the god-head.

The knowledge of St. Patrick's life lies primarily in legends. One of the most famous of these legends deals with his banishment of all the snakes in Ireland. One version of this legend says that he banished all but one old serpent, which refused to leave. St. Patrick constructed a box and invited the serpent to enter it, but the serpent refused, saying it was too small. St. Patrick insisted the box was large enough to be quite comfortable, and after a long discussion the serpent agreed to enter the box to prove that it

was indeed too small. As soon as the serpent was safely inside, the saint shut and fastened the lid and threw it into the sea.

Another version of this same legend says that St. Patrick banished all but one serpent, which had given him a lot of trouble. Because he did not have time to deal with the serpent that day, St. Patrick said that he would take care of the old serpent on Monday. However, the whole matter completely slipped his mind and he never went back. It is said that the snake still waits for the forgotten appointment to be kept. Every Monday he rises to the surface of Lake Dilveen and looks around for St. Patrick. Finally, he calls out "It's been a long Monday, Patrick," and goes under again for another week.

BLOOD (cont.)

the main blood bank. She also criticized the way the whole thing was organized.

Albatross: In your view, does what the nurse said have any validity to the situation?

Whitlach: On the whole, I find validity in her comments rather lacking. First of all, we received 28 donations of blood in the two days that they were on campus. No matter how you calculate it, that's 15 more donations than I was told we had. We have written proof of this and we are now checking the records of the Houchin Blood Bank.

Another point that I differ with is that the head nurse said we had very little response. This is not true. Twenty-eight donations is more than I ever expected we'd receive. This same nurse I talked to on the phone is the one who was in charge of the mobile unit. Gaye Perry, an activities advisor here on campus, asked her when they were here in November how our first drive was coming. (We needed recommendations to improve; we knew everything about the drive wasn't right.) The nurse replied that this was a very good response for the first time out, and said very little more.

One point that I might agree on with her is that the organization of the whole function could be improved. I organized a lot of the first drive myself, so it's kind of a low blow to the ego to hear I did a bad job. In the position of an organizer I'm really just a new kid on the block. I

hope to improve methods next time.

Albatross: Then there will be a second blood drive?

Whitlach: Yes, hopefully. We're planning now to have a new, improved one in April during next quarter. I might explain why a second drive is needed this year. The reason is that under the plan that Houchin can provide us with, blood remains in our campus bank for only one year and then we lose it if it isn't used or if we don't give it away. To have a sufficient supply of blood on a year-round basis, we felt we should hold two drives a year.

Albatross: You sound as if you are going to be using Houchin's services again. Why?

Whitlach: We have no other choice. They have a virtual monopoly on the blood market in Bakersfield. Now, what I just said is nothing slanderous nor is it even a revelation. As I understand it, for many years there was actually a city ordinance which allowed no other blood bank except Houchin to operate within the city. Houchin is a private concern and if that's true, to say the least, it sounds like a pretty good deal. Perhaps some of your readers can respond to this and provide us with some information; that would be interesting.

Well, to continue, we contacted both the Red Cross and the California Blood Bank to see if they could provide an alternate service for us. We found that the Red Cross doesn't have the facilities to accept any donations at all and the California Blood Bank only buys and sells blood. Neither has a bloodmobile, and that's what we need most.

Albatross: We'll be interested in carrying any further news about the next blood drive, Mr. Whitlach. Thank you.



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Basketball (cont.)

PLAYER	GAMES	FG	FT %	REB	AVG.	TP	HI	AVG.
Ross	26	.429	.723	125	4.8	276	25	10.6
Clapp	26	.519	.598	221	8.5	321	23	12.4
Ward	25	.462	.661	164	6.6	307	28	12.3
Toney	25	.407	.595	208	8.3	297	20	11.9
Shiloh	24	.444	.756	95	4.0	246	26	10.3
Porter	23	.447	.554	213	9.3	279	27	12.1
Rodriguez	23	.478	.742	52	2.3	255	20	11.1
Baxter	16	.342	.166	49	3.1	27	6	1.7
Carr	15	.490	.643	36	2.4	68	16	4.5
Jones	14	.467	.750	18	1.3	51	12	3.6
Kelly	12	.393	.000	26	2.2	22	8	1.8
Pauls	10	.166	.500	10	1.0	5	2	.5
Others	13	.227	.500	27	2.1	39	10	3.0
TOTALS	26	.443	.632	1244	47.8	2193	111	84.3
OPPONENTS	26	.402	.643	1027	39.5	1782	88	68.6

with 208. The total stats show Cal State well balanced in all areas. Each of the six regular players scored over 250 points for the season. Clapp topped that category with 321 points and an average per game of 12.4 points; Odis Ward was next with 307 points and a 12.3 average. Again, Clapp came out on top in total rebounds with 221; Carl Toney was second

loss made the season record stand at 21 wins and 5 losses. The outstanding performances were turned in by veteran Walter Clapp, who garnered 23 points and 16 rebounds against L.A. Baptist; and by Ellis Porter, who totalled 27 points and 16 rebounds against the Anteaters. The final statistics are compiled and listed above. They show the team to be

outscored all opponents combined by over 400 points, 2193 to 1782.

On tap for the 'Runners next season is their participation in CCAA league play. Only senior Walter Clapp will be missing from the team's roster. The season opens in December with a road swing that includes games with Southwestern Missouri State, Tulsa and Arizona.

"I coulda been champ, Joe, I coulda been champ, but ya sold me out, Joe, ya sold me out."

--Mountain Rivera

CHOWDER LINE

The casserole recipe which follows was donated to our column by Sonnet Thornburgh, thus proving that her talents lie in more than one area (see page 2). It has been tested and given full approval by several of our Albatross staff members.

TUNA CASSEROLE

Blend together in 1½ qt. buttered dish:

- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- ½ cup milk
- 7 oz. can of tuna (drained and flaked)
- ¼ cup finely minced onion
- ½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 cups cooked macaroni

Sprinkle top with ½ cup additional cheese. Bake 30 minutes at 350 degrees, or until top bubbles. May be made ahead of time and refrigerated until serving time. Cover while refrigerated and remove 30 minutes before serving time to bake.

Readers of The Albatross are invited to submit their special favorite recipes to this column--especially those adaptable to student budgets and cooking facilities. We cannot promise immediate printing, however, as I wish to try out the concoctions before including them in the column.

Mrs. Murphy

Tibor (cont.)

lives of people and today's problems, I like to keep in contact with it as much as possible. I love the field--it gets to be quite exciting. It isn't at all a fuddy-duddy field. I really "dig" my chosen field of study and want very badly to stay with it.

(Since the interview, Dr. Machan has provided us with information updating the situation. It appears below.)

At the present time I am attempting to get CSCB's Faculty/Staff Policy Committee to examine what I consider a procedural discrepancy in my nonrenewal. Although thought by many to be automatic, a merit raise is to be granted only "If the appointing authority certifies that the employee has met the standards of

efficiency required for his position." I received such a raise! At the same time I was fired because in their "professional judgment" the appointing authorities believe that "the college could find a more qualified

individual to fill the position currently held by Dr. Machan." Either these specifications are meaningless, which would be good to find out, or they are in conflict with one another within the context of the present case. Which would show that someone is not telling the truth about why I was dismissed. That is as much as I can do for myself, legally, so as to protect my interests within the limits of legitimacy.

Representation for the other respective viewpoint in the making of this decision was given opportunity to speak on the matter, however, they thought it best not to comment.

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