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Two EOP Staffers Opt to Resign From Posts

Policies for People of Color Are Criticized

By Martin Boer
Staff Writer

Two prominent staff members known for advocating student rights resigned from their posts last quarter, citing increased dissatisfaction with services and programs geared toward underrepresented students.

DeMorris Walker, student affairs officer I and an EOP counselor, resigned from the Office of Relations with Schools in December. Helen Quan, student affairs officer II, resigned from her position at EOP's Asian American/Pacific Islander component in January.

The EOP aims to assist traditionally underrepresented students through four components—American Indians, Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders, Blacks & Whites, and Chicanos & Latinos. The Office of Relations with Schools works with EOP on the Early Academic Outreach Program, through which high school students from the inner city have the opportunity to visit the campus.

Recent Resignation Complaints

In their letters, the two counselors made scathing critiques of both campus departments and the entire UCSB campus in regards to a lack of commitment to retain students of color.

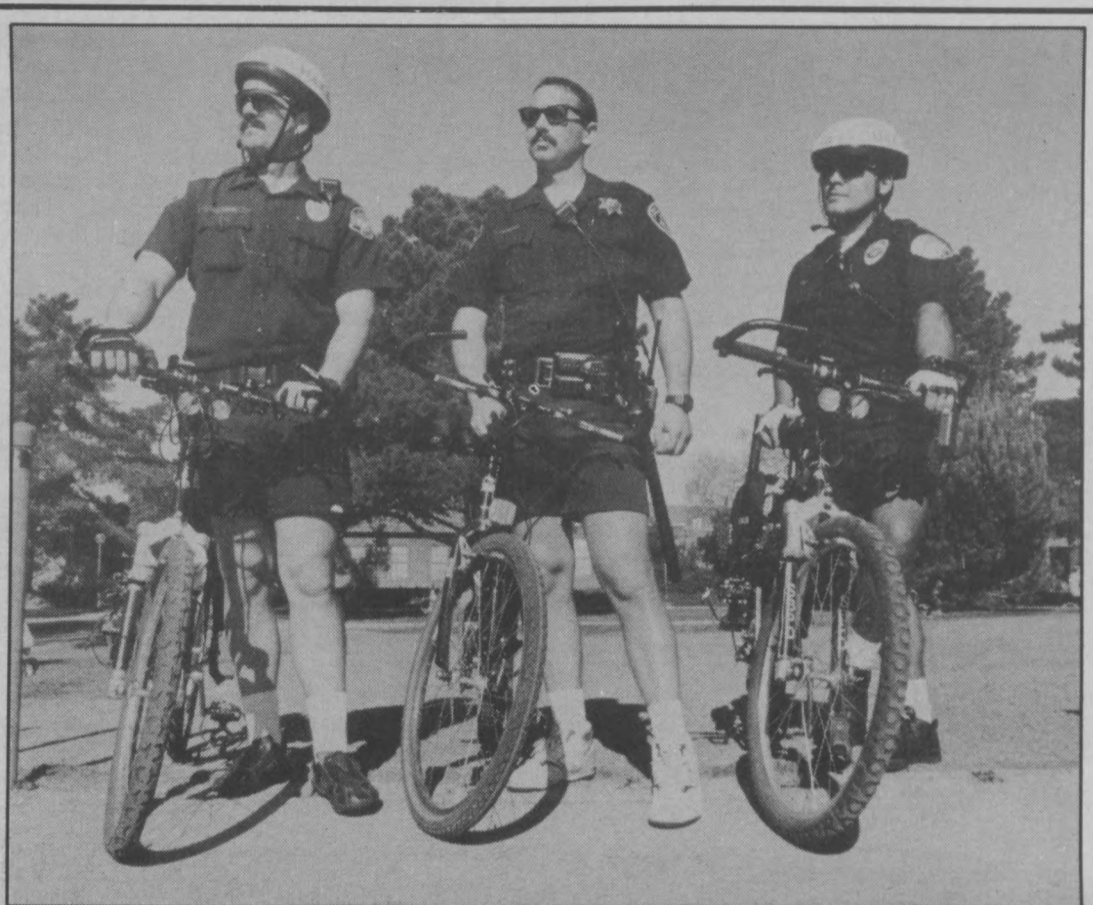
Walker claims the ORS is managed in such a poor fashion that employees are driven to quit, rather than encouraged to aid students.

"I am disappointed to see that management has failed to create a professional atmosphere that would be conducive toward meeting the objectives of our unit," he wrote. "This department is plagued with poor attitudes and employees who forget that we are here to serve the public and targeted groups."

In charge of ORS's outreach program, Walker felt "the project was mocked, criticized and marginalized." He also believes the department must change its attitude.

"The ORS needs to demon-

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CHRIS GEORGE/Daily Nexus

Santa Barbara city law enforcement officers paid a visit to campus police Tuesday to get some pointers on their fledgling bike patrol unit.

Police Spend a Day Pedaling With Friends

By Chris George
Staff Writer

Santa Barbara city police went for a ride with campus bicycle officers Tuesday in an effort to gain insight from their collegiate colleagues, who are touted as one of the nation's most experienced bike patrols.

According to Lt. John Thayer, Santa Barbara Police Dept., bicycles are an integral

part of the *Community-Oriented Problem Solving* philosophy that law enforcement agencies across the country are turning to as a result of rising concern over crime.

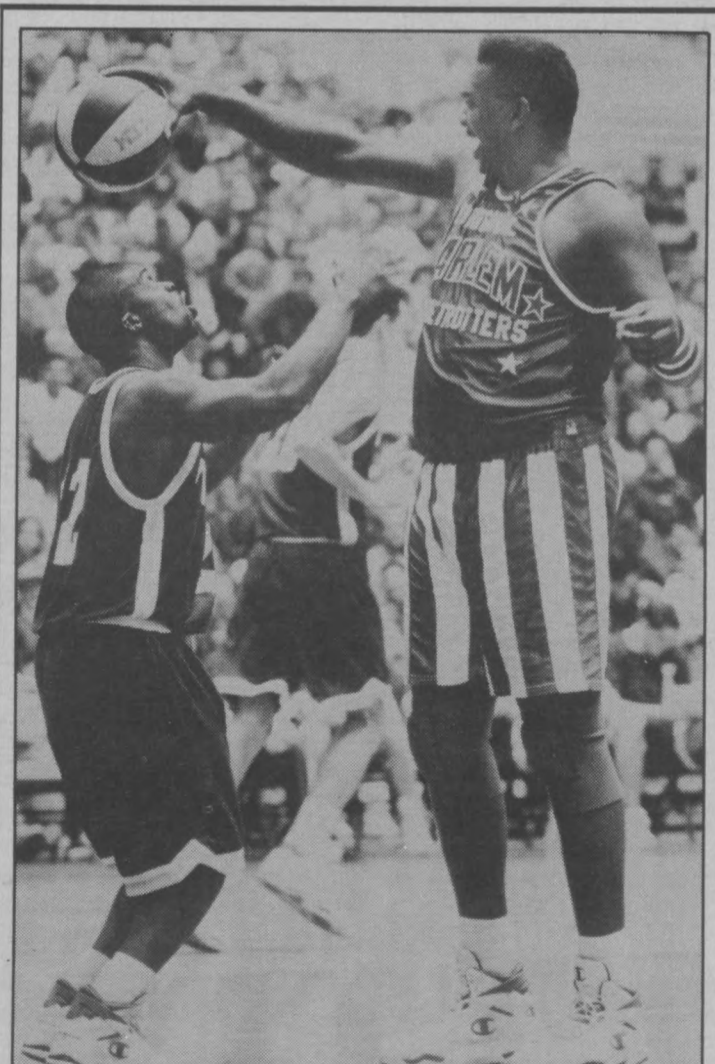
"We are trying to invoke all available resources within the community. You work with the community to solve problems, you're not just an occupying force," he said.

The Santa Barbara Sheriff's Dept. and the University of Ca-

lifornia started bicycle patrols in Isla Vista in the 1970s. Other police departments in Los Angeles, New York and Las Vegas have implemented similar programs.

The city of Santa Barbara began its own bicycle policing two years ago. The squad rides throughout the day and evening, performing duties that range from drug enforcement

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GERRY MELENDEZ/Daily Nexus

Hey Shorty!

One of the Harlem Globetrotters' ringleaders continually heckled this comparatively vertically challenged man Wednesday night as the travelling ballhandlers wooed an Events Center crowd.

Fewer Couch Torchings Reported in 1993

By Jill Hancock
Reporter

Isla Vistans spent less time warming their hands over burning couches during 1993, according to law enforcement officials, who attribute the decline to harsher penalties that include fines and imprisonment.

Twenty-six couch fires were reported last year, compared to 70 in 1992, and Isla Vista Foot Patrol officers hope 1994 will see a continuous decline.

"It started getting out of hand and extremely dangerous," said Lt. Roy Rosales, IVFP commander. "It also pulled emergency vehicles out of the station and away from more pressing problems."

Before the tougher regulations were created, officers had the option of either citing and fining couch burners or taking them into custody. Now, anyone caught torching a couch in I.V. will go directly to jail. The IVFP also plans to request vigorous prosecution from the District At-

torney's Office. The end result could be a fine of up to \$25,000, Rosales said.

Feeding an already burning fire is also classified as a criminal activity, according to Rosales. "If you kick a rock into the fire we could arrest you. I don't know if it would get that ridiculous, though," he said.

Dragging ragged couches into the middle of the street for ignition is a local pastime for celebrating certain monumental

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Feeding I.V.

L.I.V.E. Gives Families More Than a Balanced Meal

By Cameron Reilly
Reporter

Let Isla Vista Eat has provided meals for needy area residents since 1983, attempting to break the vicious cycle of poverty and malnutrition.

According to staff members, the nonprofit organization has a twofold mission: to provide

well-balanced meals for children and families, and to offer educational workshops on ways to cope with and escape poverty.

Columba Quintero, director of L.I.V.E., ensures that needy children, families and I.V.'s homeless eat at least one balanced meal a day. "L.I.V.E. centers on nutrition and the idea that food is life," she said.

Originally created to provide

breakfasts for the homeless, L.I.V.E. has since expanded its operation to assist the increasing number of impoverished working families that moved to the area.

While most of the families are self-sufficient, they rely on jobs in the agricultural industry and need L.I.V.E. for food supple-

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Weather

Earthquakes and all, I sure prefer the fact that here in Southern Cal it was in the 70's yesterday, while parts of upper Michigan hit -75 degrees. That's negative seventy five degrees. Virtually everything freezes at that temperature. It's just plain cold.

Of course, this shaking is really getting old. I'm really getting tired of feeling like a herd of elephants are rumbling by my apartment. I'd do something about it, but my field is only meteorology.

Thursday's High: 68, Low: 44
 Outlook: Cloudy, foggy and getting worse leading into rain this weekend.
 High tide: 3:54 am (4.4), 6:00 pm (2.6)
 Low tide: 11:45 am (1.4), 9:38 pm (2.3)
 Sunset: 5:17 pm, tomorrow's Sunrise: 7:04 am.

HEADLINERS

Court Upholds Military Justice System

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court spared the military justice system a great disruption Wednesday by ruling that the armed services may continue appointing and using judges who have no fixed terms of office.

The justices unanimously rejected a double-barreled constitutional attack against the military court system on behalf of Marines in California and North Carolina.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist wrote for the court that military rules and regulations "sufficiently preserve judicial impartiality" by "insulating judges from the effects of command influence."

The court resolved two separate issues in favor of the military.

It said the Constitution's requirement that the



president appoint all "officers of the United States" does not mean military officers need a separate presidential appointment before they can serve as judges.

It ruled that the lack of fixed terms for court-martial judges and middle-tier appellate judges does not violate the due-process rights of criminal defendants who appear before them.

"The absence of tenure as a historical matter in the

system of military justice, and the number of safeguards in place to ensure impartiality, lead us to reject [the] due-process challenge," Rehnquist said.

The two former Marines who mounted the challenge were convicted of vastly different crimes.

Eric Weiss was forced out with a bad-conduct discharge for shoplifting a \$9 racquetball glove. Ernesto Hernandez was given a dishonorable dis-

charge and 20 years in prison for smuggling cocaine aboard a military airplane.

Weiss had been stationed at Twentynine Palms, Calif.; Hernandez, at Cherry Point, N.C.

The military's court-martial and appellate judges are appointed by the Judge Advocate General and can be removed or transferred at his discretion.

Arguing for the military in November, Solicitor General Drew Days III told the court that military judges, unlike their civilian counterparts, do not need protection "from the pressures of the political process."

Days said there is no significant risk that a military judge will reach a decision merely to please commanding officers.

Researchers Link Gene to Osteoporosis

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have found that a single gene may influence the risk of osteoporosis, suggesting a way to identify people vulnerable to the bone-weakening disease while they're young enough to take preventive steps.

The disease, which affects 25 million Americans and causes about 1.5 million fractures a year, has no early symptoms and is usually not diagnosed until after age 50 when a fracture occurs.

But if the finding by Australian researchers is confirmed, a test to assess the gene may one day identify vulnerable people in childhood, when such precautions as taking extra calcium might fortify their bones enough to avoid later fractures, specialists say.

"I think it's one of the most exciting discoveries



in osteoporosis research in the last decade," said Dr. B. Lawrence Riggs, professor of medicine at the Mayo Clinic and Foundation in Rochester, Minn.

In osteoporosis, bones deteriorate from excessive loss of tissue. Fractures typically occur in the hip, spine or wrist, but can appear in other bones. Women are more susceptible than men.

The research is reported in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature* by Dr. John Eisman and colleagues of the Garvan In-

stitute of Medical Research at St. Vincent's Hospital in Sydney.

They found that the gene has a major effect on bone density, which has previously been shown to predict fracture risk.

The gene tells the body how to make the receptor, or protein structure, that vitamin D uses to exert its effects. Different versions of the gene were associated with different average bone densities.

The vitamin D receptor plays a role in the body's absorption of calcium

from food and in other processes involving calcium, Eisman said in a telephone interview. But it is not known why different gene versions affect bone density, he said.

Eisman said he believed that question could be answered in a year or so. Knowing that, scientists might be able to tailor preventive treatment to people based on whatever versions of the receptor gene they have, he said. One person might respond best to calcium, and another to doses of the hormonal form of vitamin D, he said.

The receptor gene comes in two versions, dubbed "b" and "B." The research linked the "b" version to higher bone density at two common fracture sites, the top of the thigh bone and in the spinal bone.

U.S. Showing 'Signs of Acceleration'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy was showing fresh "signs of acceleration" as 1994 began, including new factory hiring and strong consumer spending, the Federal Reserve said Wednesday.

The upbeat report was accompanied by other government figures showing the nation's trade deficit narrowing slightly in November, helped by a drop in foreign oil prices.

The Federal Reserve, in its so-called "beige book," which summarizes regional business conditions, said, "Economic activity continued to expand with signs of acceleration in some sectors."

In the flat, unemotional language habitually used in the central bank's reports, that statement amounted to the most positive view of the economy since before the 1990-91



recession, according to economist Cynthia Latta of DRI-McGraw Hill in Lexington, Mass.

The Fed said, "Consumer spending, especially on household-related items, was strong during the holidays in most districts. Manufacturing activity strengthened, and the manufacturing employment picture improved somewhat."

The only real sour note in the report was that "weak economic conditions continued in South-

ern California." And that was an assessment of conditions before the destruction wrought by this week's earthquake.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Dept. said the merchandise trade deficit declined by 6.7% to the lowest level since August. Imports fell by 1.5%, reflecting the cheapest oil prices in five years. But exports also were down, declining 0.1%.

Wednesday's Federal Reserve report, compiled from interviews con-

ducted before Jan. 10 by the Fed's 12 regional banks, was prepared for a Feb. 3-4 meeting of central bank monetary policy-makers.

Many economists believe policy-makers could decide at that meeting to increase short-term interest rates sometime during the first quarter, in an effort to keep a lid on incipient inflationary pressures as the economy strengthens.

However, price rises generally have been small. And Latta said that the strong economic growth found by the Fed as the year ended will probably fade somewhat, delaying an increase in rates to the end of the first quarter.

Despite the increased economic activity, the Fed said it noted "little upward pressure on wages and prices."

SOFA: Crackdown Reduces Flames

Continued from p.1 events. The tradition reaches its peak in June as the school year winds down. Last year, the IVFP added 10 officers to discourage potential arsonists from lighting up.

"It's a form of entertainment, to some degree exciting," Rosales said. "It's a tradition the students feel they should carry on."

In past years, victory celebrations following UCSB versus University of Nevada, Las Vegas basketball games have inspired many students to incinerate recliners. To prepare for this year's game, IVFP will bring in additional officers.

County firefighters, who usually respond to I.V. blazes, are also tired of dealing with the needless calls, according to Capt. Wes Herman.

In addition to waking up at 3 a.m. to deal with the fires, they often have to contend with unruly students. Firefighters have had to dodge objects thrown at them and their vehicles while trying to douse the flames, Herman said.

"It's just applauding juvenile and idiotic acts," he said. "It assigns a minor level of responsibility to those watching."

Additionally, responding to the torchings prevents firefighters from

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Lt. Roy Rosales
IVFP commander

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handling more important calls. "It detracts from the community's emergency response and becomes a nuisance response," said Capt. Charlie Johnson.

Not all students believe the couch-burning ceremonies are just innocent fun, however. Senior business economics major Kevin Gnusti worried about damage to his car when he lived on Del Playa last year and echoed Johnson's sentiments. "It keeps the fire department and the police away from more important jobs," he said.

There are also detrimental environmental impacts from the fumes caused by burning couch foam, which releases several toxic chemicals. People standing nearby inhale the small pieces of material containing toxins, said Terry Dressler of the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District.

Considering the level of

awareness at UCSB, Dressler could not believe that couch burning is such a phenomenon. "If someone had any concern for the environment at all they would think twice before putting a match to a couch," he said.

Couch carcasses often find their way into the ocean, polluting the water, Herman said, adding that fires can spread to the eucalyptus trees lining Del Playa and move down the entire street.

To help prevent street bonfires encouraged at the end of each school term by discarded furniture, two agencies have started collection programs.

Catherine Boyer, UCSB community liaison at the I.V./UCSB Community Services Center, is involved in a program that gathers used couches in June, sells them, and then donates the proceeds to local nonprofit organizations such as Isla Vista Youth Projects and Let Isla Vista Eat.

"It all started to keep the streets clean so old couches wouldn't get burned," Boyer said.

At the end of the school year, MarBorg Disposal, the garbage company that services Isla Vista, provides dumpsters for nonusable couches.

Assistant Resident Director Selection 1994-95

The office of Residential Life invites those interested to apply for 1994-95 Assistant Resident Director positions. The A.R.D. is a 66% time position responsible for assisting the Resident Director in the management of an on-campus residence hall.

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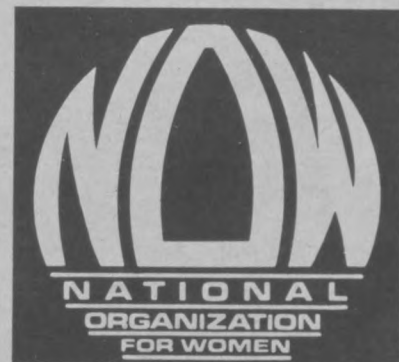
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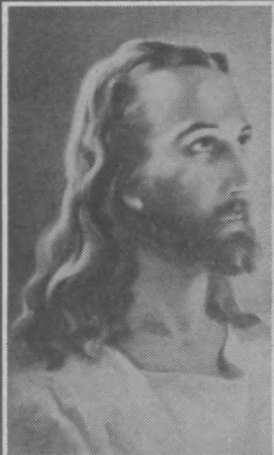
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What's Cooking?

Find out in the Weekend Connection, in Friday's Nexus!

RESIGN: Walker, Quan Say University Marginalizes Program

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trate its commitment not only to recruiting students of color, but also retaining its staff of color," the letter stated.

In her resignation letter, Quan criticized EOP for problems ranging from constant inadequate staffing to "tribalism" between the units.

According to Quan, the intercomponent competition can lose the student in the process. "Everything comes down to 'your' component and 'my' component; if this is what the vision is about, you have to wonder where is the student in this picture?" she said.

During her tenure at UCSB, Quan said she has seen an inordinate number of staffers resign, and believes they would have stayed on under different circumstances.

"I mourned the loss of great talents and experiences of committed individuals who at times went without sleep and fought to ensure a hospitable environment for students of color," she wrote.

She also believes various UCSB departments are not committed to keeping the students of color that EOP has worked so hard to recruit. "I find that EOP, the Student Affairs Division and the campus in general are limited insofar as providing a tangible commitment to retain students of color in general, and Black students in particular," the letter said.

Administration and Faculty Response

EOP Director Yolanda Garcia said she read Quan's resignation letter, but said that "since it was a

"I mourned the loss of great talents."

Helen Quan
Student Affairs
officer II



Hymon Johnson, 1981-90 EOP director and now a core faculty member at Antioch College in Santa Barbara, said he regrets the number of quality staffers the program has failed to retain.

"We let a lot of good people go. I have been there so long and I have seen good people there quit. You know, we could have had a real university there," he said.

Johnson believes the absence of Quan and Walker

will have a significant effect on the many students who came to depend on them.

"They were very pivotal. Both strong leaders as students. Highly regarded by students. Both cross-cultural and multiethnic in approach and philosophy," Johnson said. "We need a whole lot more of that at UCSB."

Black studies Professor Claudine Michel believes Quan, Walker and the others left EOP upon realizing the institution had lost its political fervor about affirmative action, a vision they adopted under Johnson.

"The politics was out of the unit. There was still academic advising and social support, but the unit had lost its vision," Michel said. "Why are they there?"

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BIKES: Cycling Cops on the Move

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to assisting local merchants downtown.

The four-man patrol has produced outstanding results, recording as many citations and arrests as the rest of the 70-man division, Thayer said, adding that the department hopes to see the program grow to as many as 20 officers.

Bikes allow officers to interact with people quickly, even in crowded urban areas. "Bicycles are the most efficient way to deliver service to congested areas of a city," he said.

The switch to bicycles has improved their image, according to Santa Barbara officer Taylor Larson. "We're viewed as friendlier. People think you are nicer when you are in shorts and biking," he said.

The bikes also improve the officer's element of surprise and mobility. "[Suspects] never expect to see a cop on a bike," Larson said.

The two-wheeled officer program at UCSB allows for interaction between the police and students, rather than just acting in an enforcement capacity, UC bike officer Mark Larson said.

"When I was in L.A., my sergeant wanted me to make one felony arrest a day, and here it is totally

"I think it's good that they're on bikes. You put on an automatic defense when you see a police car."

Jessamyn Peebles
communications
major

different, they want me to talk to people," he said.

The cost of the campus bike program is significantly lower than that of an automobile-based program, according to UCSB Police Chief John MacPherson. One police car ranges from \$18,000-\$20,000 and requires \$10,000-\$12,000 to maintain annually.

A bicycle, on the other hand, costs the department between \$200-\$2,000, and all the maintenance is done by the officers, he said.

However, biking enforcement cannot serve as a substitute for police black and whites, according to UCSB Vice Chancellor David Sheldon, who oversees the police department.

Although bike-mounted officers may be able to arrest and cuff people, cars provide a safe and secure method of trans-

porting suspects. They are also equipped with safety precautions such as first-aid kits and bright lights, he said.

"Automobiles are a vital part of the campus police force and we can't abandon them. Police cars offer more flexibility in policing," Sheldon said. "Having police on bikes in campus is a wonderful thing if we can balance that with police in cars."

MacPherson agreed that bicycling may be more dangerous for the officer. "If you go down on a bicycle, you're more likely to get injured," he said.

Students on campus have noticed the cycling officers, and although communications major Jessamyn Peebles said she has never dealt directly with one, she prefers the two-wheeled officers.

"I think it's good that they're on bikes. You put on an automatic defense when you see a police car," Peebles said. "It's always nice to see a cop on a bike, and it is good exercise."

Political science major Nada Moeiny believes the bicycles make officers less intimidating. "It's a more informal relationship. It's not just 'Hi. I'm a cop and this is my big old cop car and my big old pistol,'" she said.

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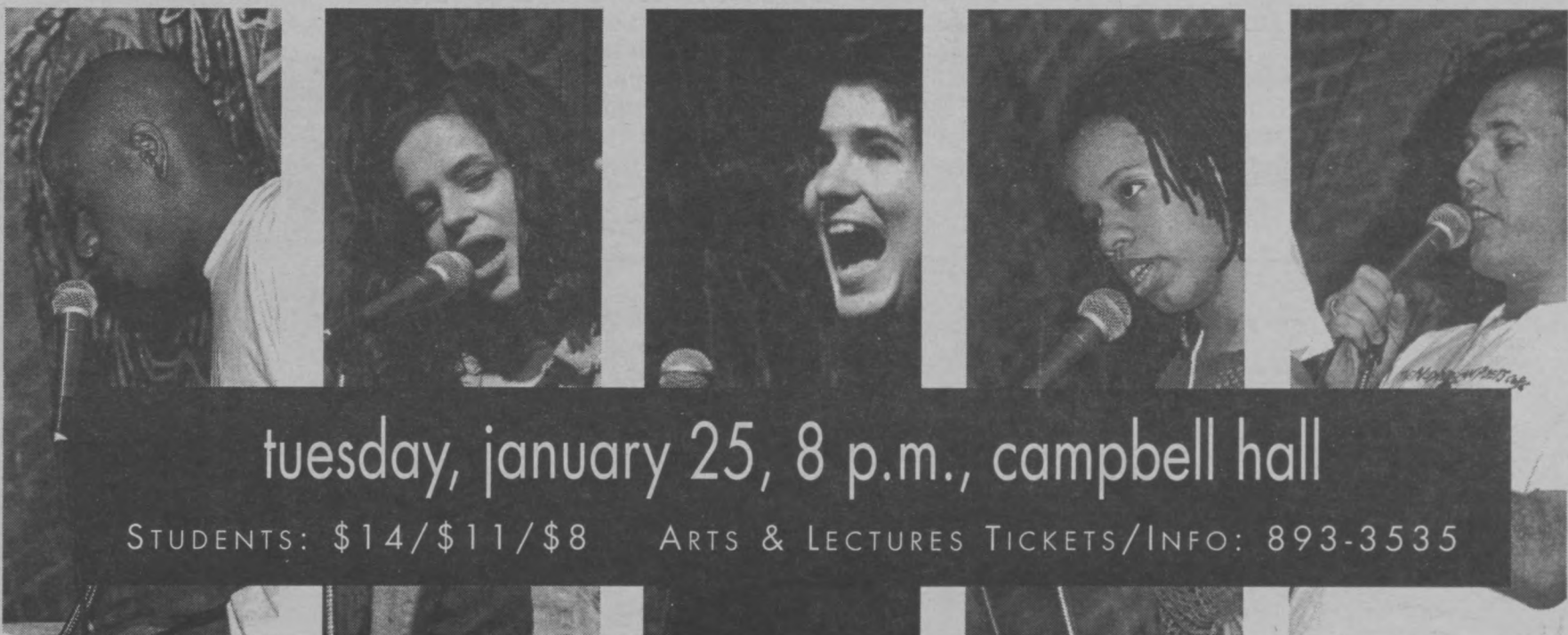
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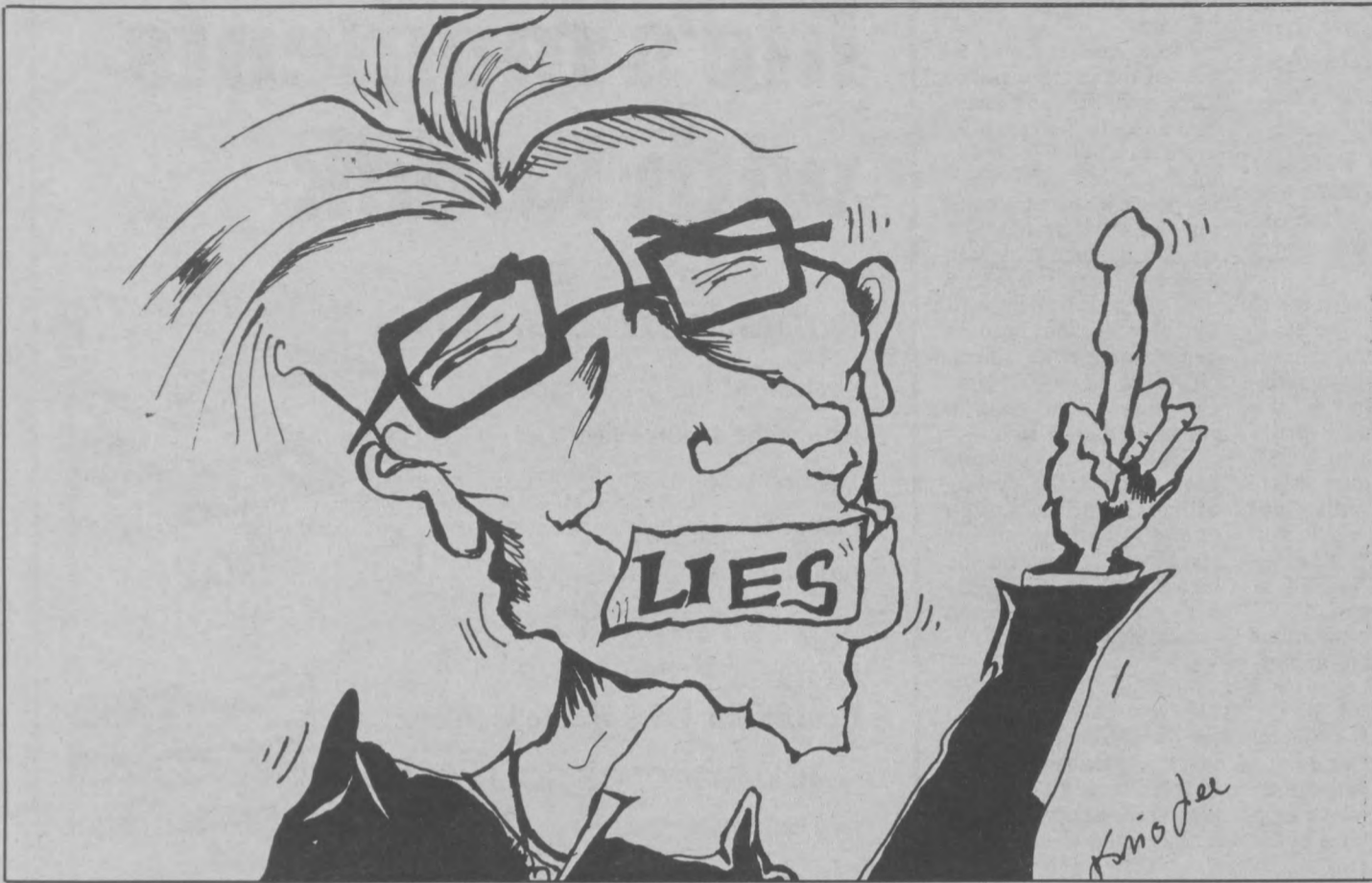
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OPINION

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—Dr. Benjamin Mays



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What Happened?

The Revelations of Independent Counsel Lawrence Walsh's Report

Editorial

Eternal vigilance, said someone long ago, is the price of freedom. Eternal vigilance, however, is also one big pain in the ass for most residents of the American republic we call home. There's so much else to worry about — food, shelter, what's going on with Michael Jackson, etc.

For many people in this country, although perhaps not enough, the Tuesday release of a federal special investigator's report on the Iran/Contra shenanigans of the 1980s produced few, if any, surprises.

According to independent counsel Lawrence Walsh, former presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush knew all about the activities of aides and flunkies like former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, Marine Col. Oliver North and everybody's favorite, former Attorney General Edwin "I know pornography when I see it" Meese III. Although Walsh's report found no evidence that Reagan and Bush broke any laws directly, they are credited with creating the climate in which high-ranking Washington bureaucrats lied to Congress and the American people, violated several laws against dealing with the Nicaraguan Contra army and the Iranian theocracy, and basically shit on the Constitution.

There's no law, apparently, against saying, "I don't remember," "I have no recollection of that at this time, senator," or "Nancy who?" during an investigation.

None of these men from the CIA or National Security Council, however, is likely to see any time behind bars — Bush pardoned several of the key players after he lost the election in 1992.

In Reagan's case, many Americans will figure that he is old and out of office and harmless anyway,

so there is no point in pursuing any action against him. Bush, on the other hand, will probably be raked over the coals in the history books for any number of reasons, and that's just fine.

This does not, however, remove the fact that an unelected, unrestricted, ruthless secret government was running U.S. foreign policy during the Reagan and Bush years (and very likely did so before and still does today).

Perhaps it is the view among the citizenry, at least since Watergate, to expect corruption from their elected officials. As long as people's daily routines, TV screens and get-rich-quick schemes remain undisturbed, they will let sleazy politicians and their cronies get away with it (whatever "it" may be).

When he took office, Jimmy Carter attempted to clean house by getting rid of federal officials he felt weren't ethically up to par. The voters booted him out of the White House after one term in favor of an actor.

Back in the 1980s, lots of people suspected that George Bush knew more about selling arms for hostages and dealing weapons (and possibly drugs) to forces bent on overthrowing the Sandinistas. The American people read his lips and voted his ass into the White House in 1988 anyway, only changing their minds when the economy soured.

Does this make it right? Hell, no, but who has the responsibility to see that justice, or at least some kind of punishment, is meted out?

The greatest crime the folks behind Iran/Contra perpetrated wasn't the lie or the cover-up, it was making a mockery of the ideal of democracy in this nation. If the Walsh report isn't enough to provoke a public outcry, however, the cynical backroom autocrats named in the three-volume investigation will be proved right — the gift of government by the people will have been returned.

The Reader's Voice

Wolf Facts

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In response to your editorial "Predators and Prey" Your efforts to bring the plight of the wolves to general attention. However, I must disagree with your methods. Your arguments on an emotional level, it is precisely arguments that get wolf supporters labeled as "bleeding hearts" should not be the issue, but rather education and correction.

The Alaskan plan is to kill 75%-80% of the approximately 100,000 wolves currently existing there, in order to create more hunters. One must question the idea that since we have a "resource" that is not even required for survival in our modern world. One must also question the methods of public outcry and tourism boycotts of Alaska last year. Instead they are lured in by carcasses and then shot — a particularly lengthy and painful death in general. The wolf does not die by this process it is shot in the head where death would be instant, thus prolonging suffering. Skulls for science.

In addition to the chosen form of destruction, it is a slow process. Instead of eliminating whole packs, the pack structure is shattered due to random killing of individuals. Friends of Animals are working to renew their tour for this year, and yet the great Sierra Club is currently planning outdoor trips in Alaska. Alaska is the only place in the world that is not listed as endangered; the fight to preserve this resource is far from over.

As an integral part of the ecosystem and the quintessential of the very soul of nature, how can we stand by and allow this to happen?

Man Vs. Planet

Albert Lewis

The earthquake Monday underscores a reality that we cannot deny. Nature, it seems, wants to accept. There are limits. The human race, in its arrogance, believes that it can conquer nature. The humbling ourselves from the awesome forces of nature is not sufficient. We have approached a limit, and the result of continuing our mad quest for progress is a global madhouse. We have turned not only against nature but against each other. We have turned our backs on the only base that supports us all: the Planet Earth. We have made two friends.

The disruption of the "good life" will come from the disruption of nature. First, there is the conflict of nature against man. As we continue to expand our capacity, the natural environment will begin to punish us. Our intensifying stranglehold on our own life-support system is not the direct or indirect result of an event and the casualties that followed are a symbol of living in discord with the natural environment.

The second actors in the path to chaotic madness are the human beings. Theoretically, we have control over the collective behavior of the human race. Realistically, though, we ourselves may prove to be a more powerful force than any external force could ever be. (READ: Western) progress have come at the expense of the planet. Though a great number of people have benefited from the progress, a substantial number have not.

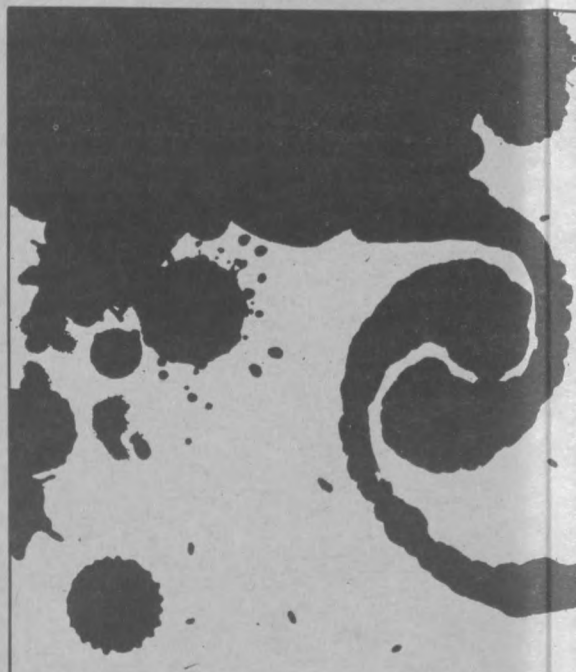
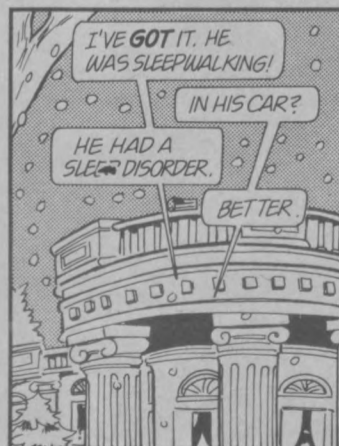
This disenfranchised group seems to be growing in number as a whole. And as the world population approaches its absolute numbers are increasing. Conservatively, the number of alienated global citizens is growing. The people who do feel this way have become increasingly vocal about their feelings.

I do have much hope. The troubling thing is that it is becoming more expensive. There are many people, myself among them, who are concerned about the scope of these problems and are determined to make a difference. The price is high, and who's going to pay? There are too few resources. Who should have fewer children and a smaller family? Maybe the developed nations could use less energy. World implement child-limit laws. But will this work? We are able to move out of Los Angeles and Hong Kong to a pollution-free area without an earthquake fault line. What about the core? Better yet, how many Bosnias, Gulf Wars or other conflicts before the disenfranchised, angry or simply crazy people start on a level playing field again? Whose brothers and sisters will be the martyrs of change? Whose loved ones who perished in this struggle for a civilized world? I don't even want to try to answer that.

Albert Lewis would like to dedicate this column to the honorable Martin Luther King.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Send Your Relief To L.A. With Love

Damon Uriarte

The sensitivity that surrounds this subject is rash. Like most of you, I have family and friends in Los Angeles who are in great need of help. Help, mind you, not compassion. To be worried is one thing, but to do something for the thousands of newly created homeless is what will really matter. Having also lived through Loma Prieta in 1989, one very important thing needs to transpire over the following months: Los Angeles needs some relief.

This relief can take many forms. Billy Crystal, Robin Williams and Whoopi Goldberg hosted one kind on Saturday night. Comic Relief is intended to provide monetary relief to be sure, but something else came out of that as well. Laughter. Even the ancient Greeks knew this to be the best medicine. This is the tricky part. The deaths and inexplicable destruction thrown up by purely awesome powers from below is numbing, not funny. The feeling is much the same as when the fires reaped, the riots raged or the Magic left. Numbing disbelief.

The main thing that got the Bay Area through such a tough time was that the World Series could be played, and people had something to concentrate on and alleviate some of the tension. The effect is not unlike alcohol, but certainly more responsible, and accessible to the community as a whole.

Once you realize that your family and friends will survive, somehow, you must band together and rebuild the city. Even the truly tragic deaths as a result of this quake can eventually be dealt with. But not alone. A teacher, a mother, a friend, a priest can help facilitate discussion. Seek them.

Other sorts of relief can be attained as well. Come out and root for the Gauchos, who undoubtedly lack inspiration right now. Or better yet, a rally should be organized, so the Southland can begin the healing process. We could honor Martin Luther King, since his celebration was abruptly cancelled here in California. A celebration right

now is not as unconventional as honoring a man, in the country where he got shot, because he got shot.

A visual of this irony can be seen in Storke Plaza. Some conscientious graffiti artists tagged the boards where artists rendered a mural of the civil rights leader, but they did not graffiti the portrait. What, again, was the point of graffiti? While this is not a call to tag up the King, the absurdity is

illustrated. Another example can be seen at 6656 Del Playa, where one of the artists who contributed to the Dr. King mural last summer painted a similar one of Bob Marley. The ridiculousness of that situation was that he continually had to say that, yes, that is Robert Nester Marley, and no, it is not Jimi Hendrix.

The point of all this is not necessarily that Isla Vista is as white bread as Wonder, but that we need a rallying point now. Something we can identify with. The Dodgers presented their best imitation of major league baseball during the riots and the Lakers have continued through the post-Magic era, and even provided a magic moment in the playoffs last year.

The city will be ravaged because of the calamitous events over the past three or four years. San Francisco's freeway system, which looks like dirt roads compared to the complex labyrinth that drives Los Angeles, is still not fixed. Carpooling now takes on catastrophic importance. As with the riots, communities must now unite.

We here in Santa Barbara, who got off so lucky, can do many things. Presumably, all the blessings have already been counted. Once everyone realizes that the distance from the epicenter of Loma Prieta to San Francisco was relatively the same as from Northridge to Santa Barbara, more than blessings will be counted. Anyway, the most important assistance we can provide would be to donate food, money and blankets to the Red Cross, who can then disperse them as need be. Let them brave the roads, the rest of us should stay off of them.

In the ensuing weeks, after the rubble has been lifted, we can make our way down the coast and help in the rebuilding process. In the meantime, focus on the regents, who may be relieved some of the attention is off them for their current meeting, or on the rights we have because of people like Martin Luther King.

We do not need to feel our pain, or relive it; we need to start the healing.

Damon Uriarte is a senior English major.



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Married Man Tells Us About ... It

Scott McPherson

Do I intimidate you? I think I may.

It's not that I look particularly dangerous, yell at people or brandish automatic weapons. I don't think I pose much of a physical threat to anyone but myself; I'm more of a psychological threat. You see, I'm a college student just like you, I only recently turned 23 years old, and I am ... *married*.

That's right, the big M, the life sentence. Last summer I tied the knot, got hitched, walked the aisle, or the nuptial metaphor of your choice. There was a cake and everything.

So why do I think this might intimidate other college students? Because the idea of marriage sure scared the hell out of me two years ago when a classmate shared the fact that she was engaged. I was further dismayed soon after that when I met another student who made reference to her "husband." Excuse me? Did you say "husband?" That's impossible — you're my age, how can you be married?! No! I'm too young to think about that!

Like my former self, many college students find any evidence of the impending "real world" as an unwelcome intrusion on their youth. To be young, after all, means exploring the world and roaming freely without the restraints of marriage, kids, a house, the family dog, a mind-numbing job, etc.; these inevitable elements of adult life should be put off as long as humanly possible. It is the fear of almost all young adults that they will someday become their parents, and marriage certainly seems to be the first step down the path to the Dark Side.

But fear not, my friends, for I am happy to report that marriage does not signal the end of life as we know it. Sure, after spending a good number of months referring to someone as your "girlfriend" or "fiancée" (both thoroughly ridiculous words), using the term "wife" takes a bit of getting used to. But even if someone wakes up one day to find herself or himself a lawfully wedded spouse, it's not exactly a metamorphosis of the Gregor Samsa variety.

Neither you nor your sweetheart is really any different than you were before you swapped rings. You still have to wake up, eat breakfast, go to work or school every day and pay your bills on time. So beyond the new vocabulary — and, of course, the tax breaks — married life bears a strong resemblance to single life. Granted, you are a little friendlier towards your room-

mate, but beyond that the changes are pretty subtle.

One thing about marital bliss that I've found kind of strange is a new relationship to sex. No matter how liberal our society becomes on the subject, there will always be some segment that considers premarital intercourse a no-no; but after you're married, anything goes. So after decades of hearing "just say no," now even the most pious nun would tell us to screw like rabbits. Strange, huh?

But not quite as strange as what I call "dating other couples," a married person's equivalent of a social life. Once you're permanently coupled, you find that most of the people you see socially come in pairs as well. It's a lot like the single dating life: you meet a nice couple, get to know them, maybe go to dinner and a movie with them, and decide if you and the other couple have enough in common to continue the friendship long-term. If you really hit it off with the other couple, you can end up living next to them in the same suburb. I kid you not — this stuff really happens. Apparently this is how all of our parents got those "family friends" whose kids we've been playing with our entire lives.

Ah yes, there's that specter of our parents again. It is indeed impossible to ponder marriage without thinking of our own parents, and in the case of most people our age, those parents have been divorced at least once. With role models like that, it's natural that many young people would be gun-shy when it comes to marriage. It's tough to muster enough optimism to say "I do" when over 50% of marriages end in divorce.

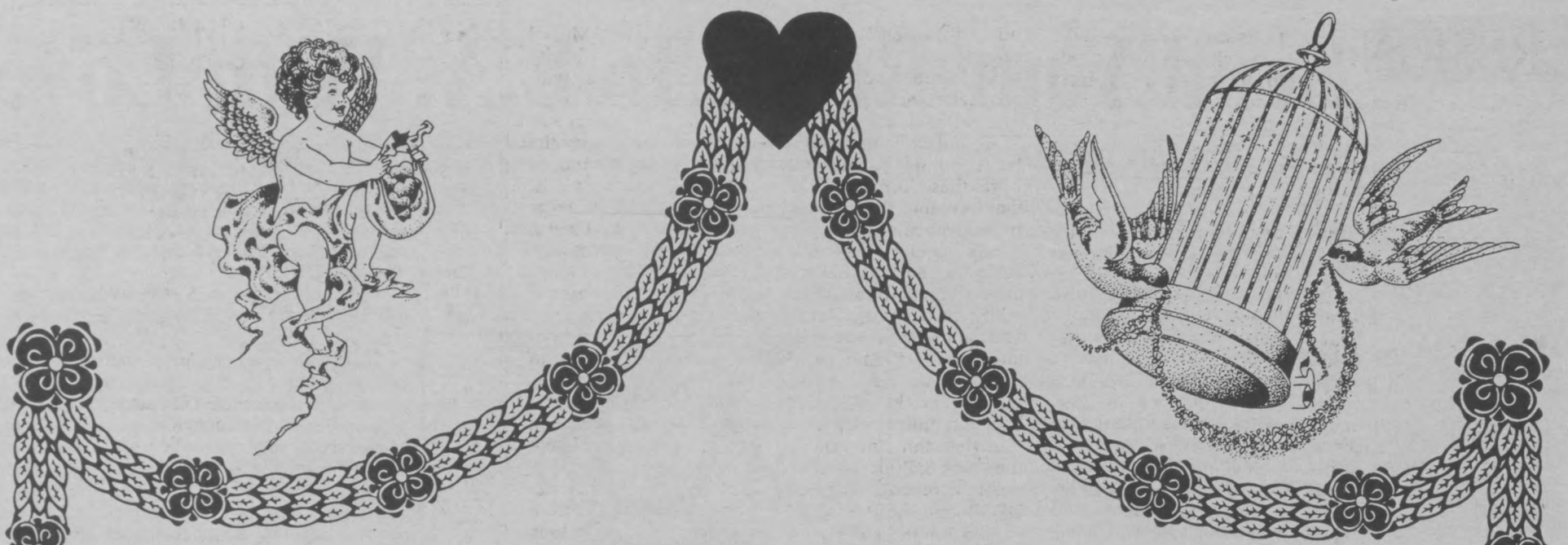
But if there's any one thing you absolutely must have to make a successful go at marriage, it's optimism. Not only must you believe that your significant other will love, honor and cherish you through a lifetime of highs and lows, triumphs and tragedies, but you must believe that you yourself are up to the task of fulfilling those promises as well. And you must also have enough faith in our cruel world to believe that your spouse — your best friend, your lover, your soulmate — can avoid the perils of accident or illness long enough to grow old with you.

Having that much faith is a lot to ask, but I can assure you that it is possible. It is also worth the effort; for although marriage is scary, difficult, and more work than you can possibly imagine, it is also the most glorious thing in the world.

It's just part of life — you don't have to let it intimidate you.

Scott McPherson is a Nexus columnist.

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RESIGN

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Why should they be there? The agenda was gone. It became apolitical and thus political, supporting the status quo."
EOP Counselors Past and Present

According to Quan, EOP has had a 100% turnover counselor rate within the Black & White component, with at least six popular counselors leaving the department with different complaints.

In 1991, Mark Armstrong resigned as a counselor from EOP's Black & White component because he believed the campus had limited interest in the affirmative action it promoted.

"The whole issue of diversity was a smoke screen. The university wasn't committed to affirmative action," Armstrong said. "There is no support for African-American faculty and students."

Armstrong, who currently runs his own business in Georgia, fears the situation at UCSB won't improve unless campus governance and attitudes are changed dramatically. He left because his efforts were not recognized by the administration.

"After having worked hard for seven years I felt it was basically futile. The chancellor and the Student Affairs office were very unsupportive," Arms-

trong said. "To really make some changes there needs to be more input from Black faculty and staff. Michael Young's office needs to create a willingness to listen. They say a lot but do very little."

"They basically procrastinate you to death. They put you on committees and committees and nothing happens. You get frustrated and leave, or co-opted. Those with a soul leave," he said.

Diane Williams-Hale, a former EOP counselor, resigned in 1990 after 14 years of service and currently holds a similar position at Santa Barbara City College. She claims her work at UCSB was taken for granted, and vouched for Quan's objections to the program's factions.

"I think at EOP the employees aren't as appreciated as they should be. There needs to be more uniformity," Williams-Hale said. "Now each component is competing with one another. So I think there's a lot of division, friction and stress. EOP will be bad as long as it is a component structure."

Pete Villareal, director of the Chicano & Latino Component, disagrees with the contention that EOP has become ineffective for students.

"EOP is very significant to the students. I have been here for 16 years. When you talk about success, EOP's retention rate is very high, students have

utilized it extensively," he said.

Villareal said his counselors are very satisfied with their work at EOP, and while those who leave complain, he believes these former staffers may have moved on for career advancements.

"Counselors stay because they enjoy what they are doing and are satisfied with what they are doing and very committed," Villareal said. "Some leave for their own reasons and make remarks that are bad, but that's reality."

In her third month as the Black & White component director, former UCSB and EOP student Regina Smith said she is working to build a rapport with the students. She recently hired two new counselors for her component.

"I'm not responsible for the past, only what happens now," she said. "When I was here it was exceptional. Dr. Hymon Johnson was wonderful, he did miraculous things that I am trying to do now. He was very supportive."

Michel, who sat on the ad-hoc committee that selected Smith, believes the new director cannot improve EOP's status alone, but must seek help from campus friends the students already have.

"Regina's task is extremely difficult. Because she has the commitment she can do it, but she can't redress without working closely with the true allies

of the students," Michel said. "Community, faculty and staff leaders who know the students' concerns, who have grown with them and have the academic background to help them organize politically. Leaders like Cedric Robinson, Dick Flacks, Shirley Kennedy and Hymon Johnson."

Student Response

UCSB 1993 alumni Nikol Nabors-Glass, who now works in the campus Women's Center, said she should have received counseling from the Black & White component, but instead visited Quan because the counselors from her component were long gone.

"She [Quan] was very important to me, especially after 1991 when [other counselors] left. She was the last link that a lot of Black students had with EOP, since a lot of the counselors were gone," Nabors-Glass said.

Senior history major Rayshaun Grimes was president of the 100 Black Men's Assn. when Walker was its adviser. He said the former counselor was fair and inspiring.

"DeMo contributed interest in seeing that everyone was treated fairly. His inspiration always encouraged my pursuits," Grimes said. "It is sad that his drive and energy couldn't bear up under the pressures of administrative bullshit."

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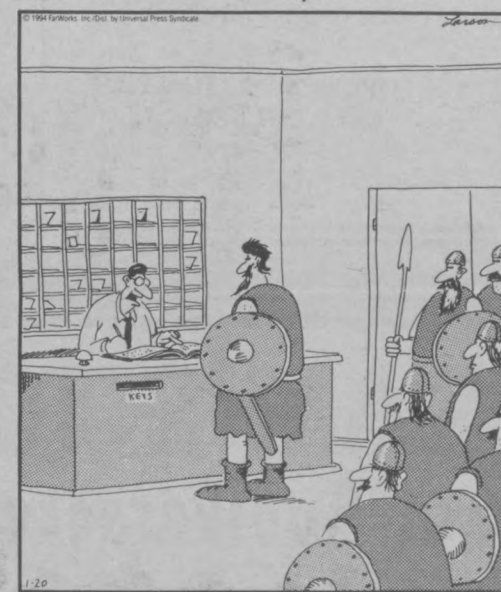
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LIVE

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ments to make up for lost income during the off-season, Quintero said.

"In poor homes, families eat a high-starch diet because it is inexpensive," Quintero said. "L.I.V.E. tries to incorporate fruits and vegetables into family diets."

Many individuals benefit from L.I.V.E. through a weekly food distribution program at the Red Barn on Camino del Sur. The organization distributes 4,583 pounds of groceries per month to 243 families who receive canned goods, fresh produce and bread. In Estero Park, volunteers serve breakfasts six days a week for children, families and the homeless.

Local organic growers donate fresh produce, Dave's Market supplies breads, and local food drives provide most of the canned goods. The agency's workers purchase the remainder of food-stuffs at the Santa Barbara FoodBank with cash donations and grants.

Children at La Patera Elementary School and the Isla Vista Youth Projects preschool also benefit from L.I.V.E.'s prog-

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People need some sense of empowerment, especially when you're down and out.
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Columba Quintero
L.I.V.E. director



rams. At La Patera, approximately 1,720 free breakfasts are served to low-income children monthly, Quintero said. On average, 110 children participate in the program daily. Between 35 and 40 children receive reduced cost or free meals at IVYP each day.

Dennis Naimen, La Patera principal, praises the nonprofit group for its positive nutritional impact on students.

"Prior to L.I.V.E., we had 10 to 15 kids with stomach-aches every morning," he said. "We took a schoolwide poll and found 170 out of 625 kids went without breakfast. Now there are zero."

Quintero continues to broaden L.I.V.E.'s services through several educational workshops coordinated with other area organizations. Zona Seca, a group focusing on women's issues, helped with a

presentation on fetal alcohol syndrome. The agency also refers people to the Salvation Army Job Club for employment direction and assistance.

According to Quintero, these programs enable parents to gain valuable skills and knowledge, increasing their chances of escaping poverty by "breaking dependency cycles."

With a staff of only three, L.I.V.E. depends on volunteers from both the benefiting families and student population.

Jason Alexander, CAB Chair on Hunger and Homelessness, emphasized L.I.V.E.'s reliance on community involvement. "There's a great need for help because without volunteers, food doesn't get distributed," he said.

According to Quintero, the assistance is more than just a handout to the recipients. "L.I.V.E. is their program," Quintero said.

BOYCOTT

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a top school. If there's one less scholarship available, he could possibly go to another school that isn't a basketball power and in turn help build up that program. It makes for better basketball across the board. Don't tell me Che-

ney and Thompson have ever had trouble landing blue-chip recruits.

There are enough basketball scholarships to go around as it is. The opportunities for minority athletes are there. And it sure doesn't make sense for these coaches to assume that if you're Black, then by God, you should be

playing basketball.

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Gauchos Come Home to Take on Wolfpack

Team Eager to Win at Home After Road Trip

By Jason Masini
Staff Writer

A home game, finally. After spending the last 17 days playing four conference road games, the UCSB women's basketball team will get to use its talents again in the Events Center at 7:30 tonight against the University of Nevada.

The road trip was successful, as the Gauchos won three of the four games and improved their record to 4-1 in the Big West and 7-6 overall, the first time the team has been over the .500 mark all season.

"Well, immediately after the Long Beach State game [that resulted in a 63-58 Santa Barbara loss], if you had asked me would I be happy to win three out of four, I would have said no," UCSB Head Coach Mark French said. "But I was pleased that we played better. We have made improvements since the Long Beach game. We're a better team now, so I'm pleased with that."

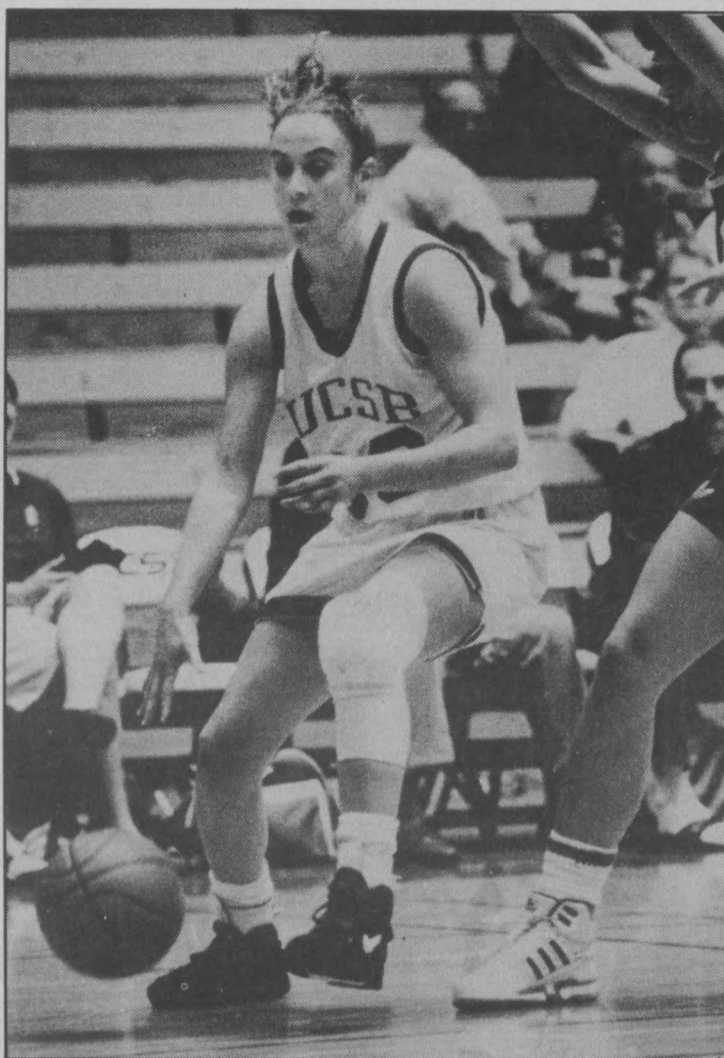
The major concern for UCSB has been its offensive execution, which got much better in its game against San Jose State, as five players scored in double figures, and turnovers, which have

been their biggest problem this year, decreased.

"We've been working really hard on taking care of the ball and on our half-court offensive execution, and I think we've made significant strides," French added. "We've been spending a lot more quality practice time with it, and instead of assuming we can execute it, we are really going through the little tiny pieces of making sure that everything is exactly perfect. We've been really picky about it."

The Gauchos will again be without the services of junior Anna McConnell, who is still nursing her separated shoulder. McConnell sat out UCSB's last two games and will definitely miss tonight's contest. But she hopes to suit up for Saturday night's rematch with the 49ers, the team against which she injured her shooting shoulder, and may see limited duty.

Nevada is off to a terrible start, going 3-7 overall this season and 0-3 in conference. First-year Head Coach Ada Gee has relied heavily on the services of Kelli Dufficy and Shelley Chatfield, as Dufficy leads the team with a 15.6 points per game average and Chatfield has poured in 11.2 ppg. In only one Wolfpack game



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UCSB basketball's Lauren Goldstine, a sophomore forward, looks around cautiously before she takes on her defender.

has someone other than these two led the team in scoring, and Chatfield leads the team with seven boards per game.

"I know that they play a lot of

zone," UCSB's Iesha Smith said. "So we're going to have to penetrate and dish to the post or take the outside shots when we have to."

NCAA Officials Meet to Discuss Future of Men's Hoops

By Jenny Kok
Staff Writer

Recently, NCAA officials met in San Antonio, Texas to vote on and discuss proposals that may greatly affect the future of NCAA men's basketball. UCSB Athletic Director Jim Romeo was one of the many officials at the convention.

"There were many different proposals and ideas discussed [at the convention]," Romeo explained. "But the hot topic of conversation was the proposal to increase the number of basketball scholarships from 13 to 14, which would mainly affect minority athletes."

The intention of the proposed increase, according to officials, was to give minorities greater access to a higher education and a

better chance at success. Being led by the Black Coaches Assn., concerns about the opportunities available for Black student athletes have been growing. This increase led to a vote on the proposal — a vote that ultimately rejected the proposal.

"It was a very tough issue to decide," Romeo said. "There are many issues to consider, but our position is a sensitive one, sensitive to the concerns of the Black coaches. We voted in favor of the proposal because we feel that minority access is an extremely important issue."

At the top of the list of concerns that led to the defeat of the proposal was the concept of cost containment. For many schools, increasing the amount of scholarships would mean decreasing academic funding, while for others with stronger programs,

academics would not be affected. The possibility of a funding cut was enough for Milton Gordon, an African-American representative from Cal State Fullerton, to decide to vote against the bill.

Nonetheless, the defeat of the proposal was not a welcome one to the Black Congressional Caucus, who immediately discussed the possibility of a boycott on games played Saturday, Jan. 15. At the same time, rumors of a possible walkout were spreading.

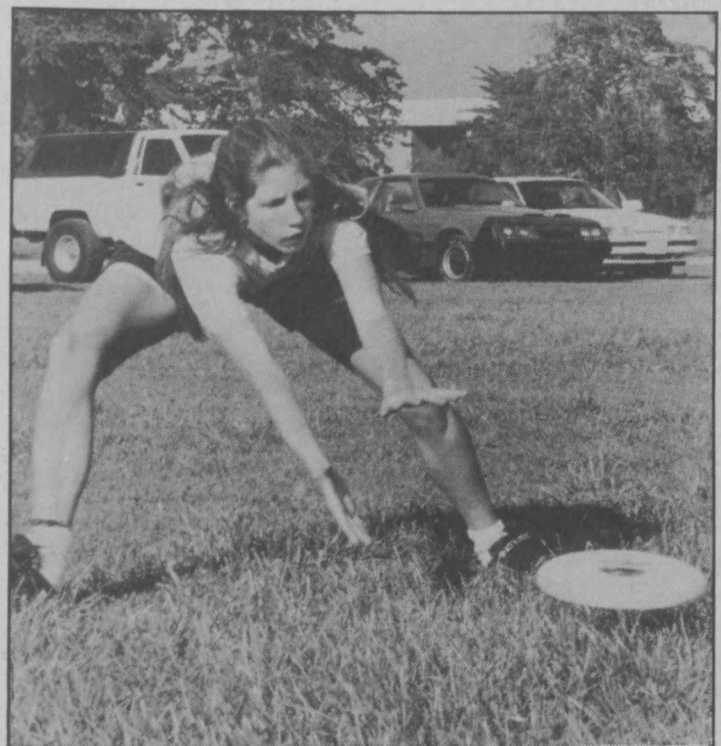
As Saturday rolled around, the talk of a boycott was quieted when the Black Congressional Caucus convinced the Justice Dept. to reconsider the decision. The boycott, at least for now, has been postponed until further research is done on the issue.

"There is no doubt that this is

going to be an issue of minority access, especially along the lines of academics," Romeo explained.

Amongst all of the controversy, a small victory on the part of almost every Division I men's basketball team was won. Last season, the opening day for practice was changed from Oct. 15 to Nov. 1. After complaints were heard from all around the country, a proposal was made and accepted to change the starting date back to Oct. 15.

Not only will the starting date change, but there may also be an increase in academic standards, which includes a sliding scale linking a recruit's SAT scores and GPA, implemented on the Division I teams. Any decision will not be made until a review of current and possible academic standards is completed.



UCSB's ultimate frisbee team, the Black Tide, prepares to host a tournament this weekend at Storke Field.

Black Tide Ready to Host Ultimate Frisbee Tourney

The Black Tide, UCSB's ultimate frisbee team, is back in action this weekend as they host a tournament at Storke Field. Among the competitors will be Stanford, UC Santa Cruz, University of San Diego, Sacramento State, Cal Poly SLO and UC Davis.

The Black Tide, who finished second in the nation last year behind Wilmington, do not bring back the same experience, but they are nonetheless a team that is capable of going far.

"I think everything is going to go pretty well," Black Tide Captain Glenn Paufler said. "It's a very young team but they're doing OK. Last year we had 10 fourth-year players and this year myself and Todd Blacher are the only fifth-year players on the team."

So far on the season UCSB has participated in just one tournament. In November the team competed in a one-day event in San Diego, where they went 3-1.

Paufler indicated that for this weekend's event, the Black Tide will be split into an A and a B team so that as many players as possible will be able to see playing time.

UCSB is the #2-seeded team at this weekend's tournament, while UC Santa Cruz will take the top seed.

The Black Tide has a full schedule for the rest of the season, as they travel to Arizona for a tournament next month and are competing in several other events closer to Santa Barbara.

—Brian Pillsbury

BRIAN PILLSBURY

Dr. Pillsbury Ponders New Scholarships

When the NCAA refused last week to increase the number of men's basketball scholarships for Division I schools from 13 to 14, the Black Coaches Assn. threatened a boycott of the weekend's games. While they decided to forego such a measure for the time being, a boycott sometime this season is still a possibility.

So what gives? Who is right? Is it a case of college basketball coaches flexing their muscles for a bigger piece of the pie? Or is it coaches such as Georgetown's John Thompson, USC's George Raveling or Temple's John Cheney fighting for kids who don't have many people fighting for them to begin with?

On the surface, these coaches have a legitimate claim to an increase in scholarships. NCAA basketball has become a multimillion dollar a year business and institutions like Georgetown and Temple have reaped tremendous financial benefits from their success on the basketball court. And added to this is the fact that a majority of Division I college basketball players are Black.

Therefore, it should follow that freeing up another scholarship for a minority athlete who might not otherwise have the opportunity to get a college education is the least the NCAA can do to pay back the very people who are the root cause of college basketball's success. With the cost of higher education rising each year, athletic scholarships are an obvious remedy to ensure that poorer kids aren't priced out of an education.

OK, so why all the ruckus? Why wouldn't the NCAA give in to a BCA demand that seems logical and just?

One word. Money. For a lot of schools it's not cost-effective. An extra scholarship for basketball may take away from academics, and it certainly takes away from other sports that don't have the visibility of NCAA basketball.

Think about it — only five players are able to play at once in basketball. And maybe 10 to 12 players on each team are actual contributors when it comes to game situations. Granted, the guys on the end of the bench are busting their ass day in and day out in practice, but only very rarely do they determine the outcome of a game.

What are the odds that the 14th guy is going to have a significant impact come game time? Does that 14th player on the depth charts really deserve a scholarship when other athletes in other sports — athletes who are making the same commitments and sacrifices — are getting only a fraction of the scholarship money a basketball player would get?

And for the game itself, adding another scholarship lessens the parity which makes college basketball exciting. Say a recruit wants to sign with

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