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## I.V. OCCUPATION: STUDENT KILLED

# Kevin Moran shot in front of B of A

A UCSB senior who had come out of his apartment to help put our fires in Isla Vista, was shot and killed early Saturday morning as he stood on the front porch of the Bank of America.

At this writing, the exact circumstances surrounding the death of the student, Kevin Patrick Moran, 21, have been somewhat obscured, due in part to the turmoil immediately following the killing and in part to the lack of cooperation from the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department.

Throughout Friday night, up to 250 demonstrators and other persons intent on stopping vandalism, all in violation of the dusk to dawn curfew, roamed about I.V., and eventually gathered at 11 p.m. near the Bank.

At approximately 11:45, Moran left his apartment with two other friends in answer to an appeal made by \* A.S. President Bill James on KCSB for students to come out to put out fires and protect the community.

According to Thomas Thomas Thomaides, Moran's roommate, when they reached the center of town, two fires were burning; one near Taco Bell and one near the Bank.

Both of the fires were put out by people who argued against vandalism and violence and urged the crowd not to burn the Bank, but the fire near the bank was relit, in a trash can.

At this point, Bill James stated that the ratio of vandals to anti-violence people had changed, and Thomaides said he interpreted this as meaning



STUDENTS GATHER AROUND a trashcan fire at Madrid and Embarcadero del Norte, minutes before Kevin Moran was shot.

Photo by Joe Melchione

that it would not be smart to put out another fire.

However, another struggle between the opposing factions developed over the burning trash can, and soon after it was set upright, the lights surrounding the bank went out, when the lock on the bank's switchbox was knocked off and the fuse pulled.

A large crowd gathered in the park and started throwing rocks. Thomaides said he saw one or two "guys" run up to the bank and throw a molotov cocktail through the door.

Three men ran into the bank to extinguish the fire, others outside the bank yelled "Get out!" and "It might explode!" and Thomaides decided to go in and help put out the fire.

When he got up to the bank, the fire was already out, but he stayed on the balcony with 5 or 6 others. Moran joined him on the balcony while a crowd seemingly intent on burning the bank surrounded them.

Word soon hit that the police had arrived, and most of the demonstrators quickly began to disperse.

Two dump trucks of Santa Barbara Sheriffs then drove up Embarcadero del Norte, in front of the park, "all shooting tear gas and stuff like this," according to Thomaides.

He and others on the balcony yelled to the police, "Don't shoot at us—we're putting the fire out!" and the police apparently heard them because at that time they did not shoot any tear gas, except one flare, at the bank.

One truck pulled into the bank's parking lot, and then, Thomaides stated, "All of a sudden I heard a shot." Moran fell down saying "I think I'm shot—help me, help me!"

A war veteran from Vietnam, who was also on the balcony, attempted to give Moran first aid, but within 2 or three minutes after the shot, Moran was, from all indications, dead.

About this time, a policeman reached the balcony and radioed for an ambulance.

Moran was pronounced dead on arrivel at Goleta Valley Hospital at 1:30 a.m.

A preliminary autopsy report from Sergeant Homer Aguilar yesterday afternoon stated that Moran was fatally shot above the right hipbone and the bullet continued into the backbone but didn't go through his body.

A preliminary ballistics

o del Norte, minutes before Kevin Photo by Joe Melchione report states that Moran was felled with a .30 caliber bullet.

As of early this morning, the Sheriff's department would not release the results of the fuller autopsy and ballistic investigations they had made.

The Sheriff's Department has stated that the shooting was the work of snipers; however, some witnesses have reportedly stated that Moran was the victim of a police bullet.

Witnesses to the killing gave conflicting testimony as to the origin of the shot.

The Sheriff's Department originally claimed that many snipers were in Isla Vista Friday night and that Moran was shot by a sniper.

Thomaides said that police were in the area where he thinks the shot came from, but that there could have been a sniper.

One witness, who was standing next to Moran when he was shot, was unable to determine where the shot came from.

Another witness, Curry Davis (one of the three persons who put out the fire in the Bank), was also standing next to Moran when he was shot. (Continued on p. 2, col. 1)

# Streets bare except for police troops

Heavily armed police maintained tight control in Isla Vista last night and this morning, as the town remained in a state of extreme emergency and a strict curfew was enforced.

At least 23 persons were arrested (for curfew and other violations) during the night, according to Sheriff's deputies.

Some sniper fire was reported, some tear gas and pepper gas was used by police and several students' apartments were broken into by police as they patrolled the streets in trucks, marked and unmarked vehicles, on foot in groups ranging up to fifty.

Some officers hid in behind the bushes and in vacant lots and checked in backyards for persons and arms.

Police reportedly shot BB guns and marble-loaded slingshots at Isla Vistans watching the police action from their apartment windows. One student's wrist watch was broken by a BB.

The police, who before midnight had an estimated force of over 400 officers, gradually diminished in numbers throughout the night, although more black and white units appeared cruising in Isla Vista as the night wore on.

Tear gas was shot off at least twice during the night, once at approximately 9 p.m. and again at 12:30 a.m.

Gunfire could be heard sporadically throughout the

All persons walking or driving in the streets were interrogated, and on occasion, harassed.

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AN ANCIENT CAR reportedly bought by a student for 15 dollars was destroyed Friday night in front of the bank by a fire started by Molotov cocktails.

Photo by Joe Melchione

#### Cheadle's Statement

It is with a heavy, yet angry, heart that I survey the surrounding this University campus — Isla Vista torn once more by vandalism and violence, members of the community beset with fear, and the entire climate permeating with anxiety.

To say that I deplore this perverse situation is an understatement. I cannot tolerate it, nor can any member of this community if he possesses any shred of integrity.

All of us owe a great debt of gratitude to those students, campus ministers, merchants and other concerned citizens of Isla Vista who have attempted to prevent violence and to maintain peace, often at a threat to their own personal safety. It is tragic that their efforts are clouded by the death of Kevin Patrick Moran, a young man called to his death in an attempt to preserve peace.

We share with his family the grief of his loss.

I hope that the shock of that senseless killing will awaken those who have participated in the violence in the past few days to the horror they have created.

They must desist, or we shall be in danger of having no University and no Isla Vista.

Santa Barbara Bill Rubin and

local attorney Jerry Franklin have launched an investigation

Many questions remain

into Moran's death.

#### Student shot at B of A

(Continued from p. 1) Curry stated that he did not see any snipers, and Moran was shot just at the time the police came into the Bank lot in their truck.

Richard Cross, the owner of Crepes Voila, one of the local merchants who were attempting to quell the vandalism, says he saw the police truck drive up in the Bank lot and shine a light on the persons standing on the porch in front of the Bank.

Cross, who was watching from the Yellow Submarine, then yelled, "My God, somebody's shot."

He was reported to have said "The Sheriff shot him," but this according to Cross, is untrue.

Cross stated that he saw no police in Perfect Park at the time of the shooting, that the truck which drove up was the first police vehicle in the area.

The park was to the right of Moran, and he was shot in the right side.

A.S. President Bill James had concluded, as of yesterday, that, as far as he could tell from his investigation of the incident, he did not see how it was possible that a sniper could have shot Moran.

ACLU representative in



## At 3:20 a.m. Saturday morning, campus cops entered KCSB radio headquarters on campus and ordered the station to stop broadcasting until the curfew ended at 6 a.m. A few minutes later, general

A few minutes later, general manager Cy Godfrey received a phone call from Vice Chancellor Stephen Goodspeed who told him that Sheriff James Webster had ordered him to shut down the campus radio station.

In a statement released by Godfrey, he termed the shutdown "the most serious infringement on the right to free expression that this campus has ever seen."

Godfrey maintained "that KCSB has acted in a most responsible and journalistic manner over the course of the recent demonstrations," and added that "We have tapes that I am sure will later prove my contentions."

Ban in effect during curfew

KCSB ordered shut down;

Last quarter during the riots, Webster had told Godfrey that he did not like KCSB's broadcasts of police manuevers.

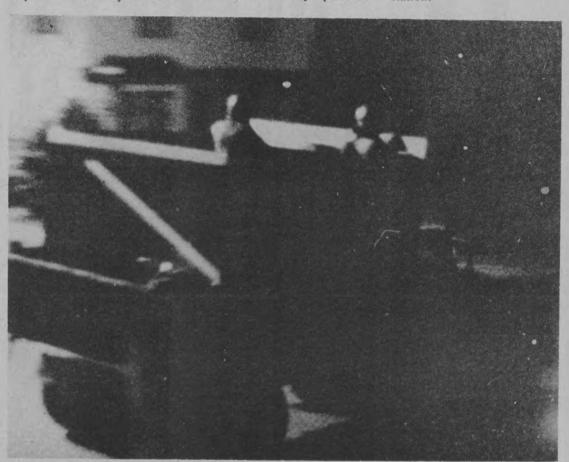
However, this quarter, Godfrey claims that he made a deliberate effort not to broadcast police actions, and only give reports of large concentrations of police. He says that these reports were "no jeopardy" to police.

When Goodspeed called Godfrey, he advised Godfrey that he was calling for Chancellor Vernon Cheadle, but when Godfrey spoke to Cheadle later that day, Cheadle said he hadn't known anything about the shutdown of KCSB until after it had been done.

According to university regulations, only the chancellor has the authority to close down the radio station.

A meeting last night between Godfrey and Webster, who originally ordered the shutdown, resulted in the station not being allowed to broadcast any news from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. this morning.

Godfrey stated that "it is disastrously regrettable that our services to the students of this campus have been denied by a group of people who have consistently overreacted to the role of the campus radio station"



ONE OF THE MANY armed trucks that patrolled I.V. last night, enforcing the police-state curfew which kept the town quiet in fear.

Photo by John Franklin



A COUPLE WARM themselves at a trash bin fire Friday night.

Photo by Joe Melchione

### Police troops occupy I.V.

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Two students reported their apartments being broken into.

At one apartment police barged in unannounced, threw the occupants up against the wall, pointed shotguns at the back of their heads and asked them, "What do you think about what's going on outside, motherfuckers?"

The police then searched the apartment, but found nothing. They ordered the occupants not to go near the windows.

At another apartment, police barged in, saying that they had had a report that a suicide was about to be committed at the address. They then proceeded to search the entire apartment, after interrogating the occupants at gunpoint.

Similar incidents were said to have occured at House of Lords and other residences.

For most of the night, Isla Vista resembled a ghost town, with the only persons on the

street being the police and an occasional news reporter.

Newsmen could be seen, occasionally, walking in the middle of the street holding their hands above their heads to prevent police from shooting at them.

Two deputies told an EL GAUCHO reporter that one officer had been shot by a sniper. Other deputies denied the allegation.

Police maintained a command post at the Bank of America, with armed guards at the gates of the parking lot. Clusters of 5 to 10 deputies armed with shotguns were stationed at the periphery of the park.

At 5 a.m. today, police were still cruising the streets in trucks with their rifles ready.

Friday night, eight persons were arrested on charges including failure to disperse, being in the area of a riot, assault with a deadly weapon, and assault on a police officer.