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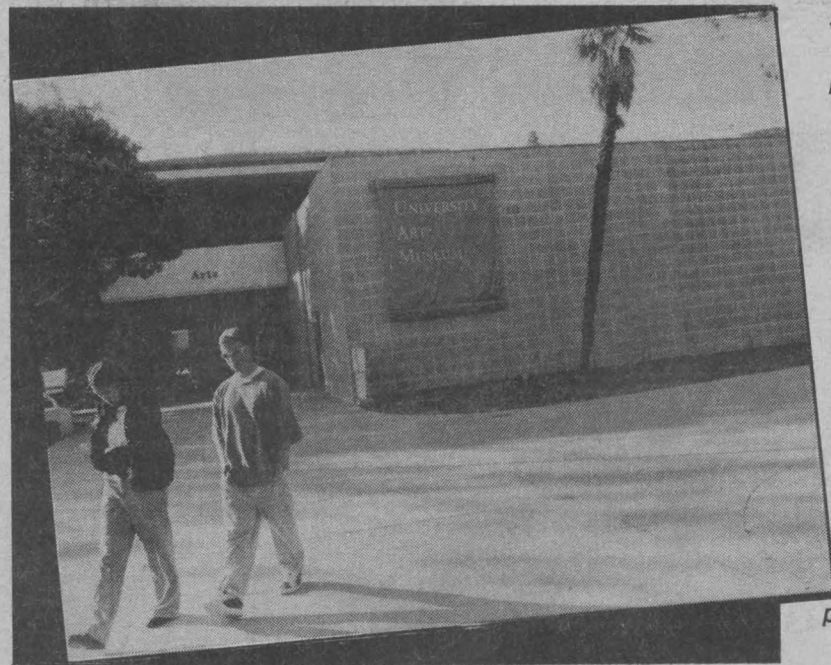
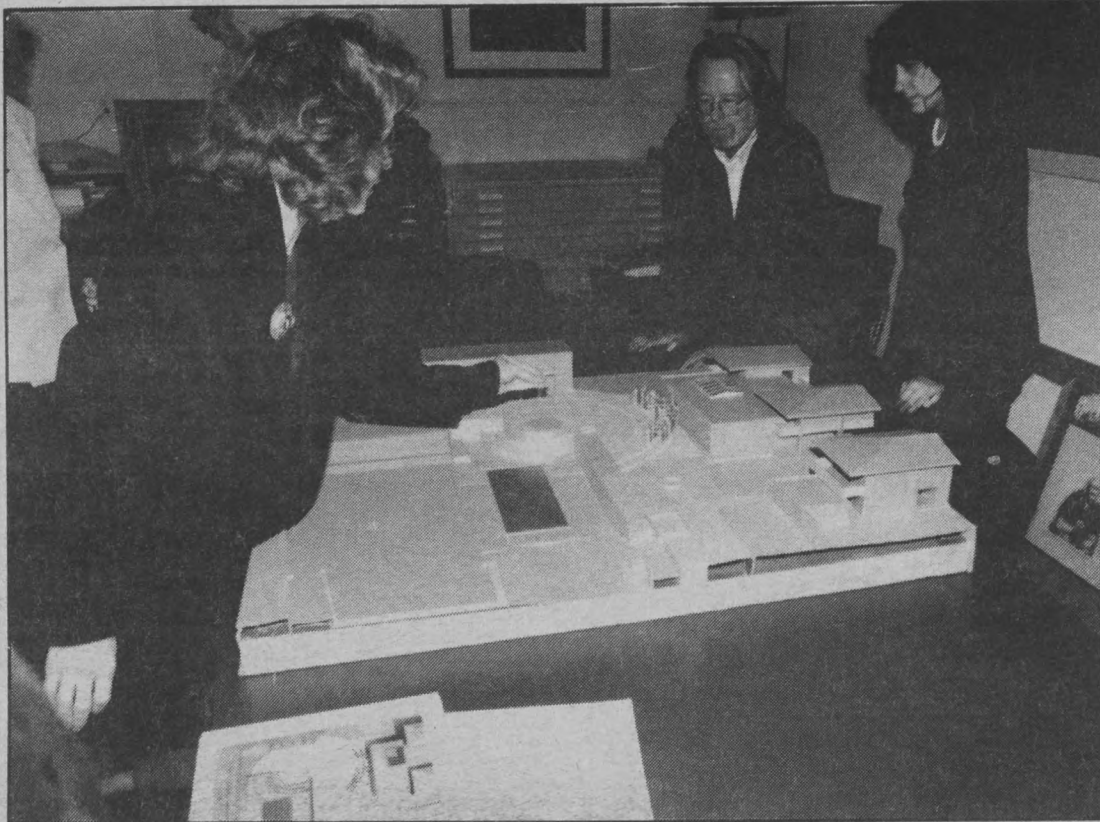
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Growing Gallery



This model (above) shows the conceptual design of the proposed changes to the University Art Museum. These changes will increase the facility's exhibit space by 650 square feet and will enable the university to maintain two permanent collections in the expanded gallery. The museum's east wall (left) will be the site of a new entrance along with a circular plaza by the UCen and Storke Plaza. Photos by Bryan Silver.

Art Museum Expansion to Alter Storke Plaza

■ Design Intended to Increase Space, Visibility

By Yier Shi
Reporter

In an attempt to open up the University Art Museum to more students, the facility will begin a \$1.8 million renovation project in June of next year.

A conceptual design to add a new public entrance at the museum's east wall and create a circular plaza adjacent to the UCen and Storke Plaza has been approved by the Campus Planning Committee and is slated for completion by March 1998.

Facility officials expressed excitement about expanding the gallery's permanent collections and the anticipated increase in museum visibility.

"We are concerned right now with the amount of students who are not aware of the Art Museum," said Marla Berns, museum director. "This project will change that. It will give us more visibility as the new area will hopefully become one of the main arteries for traffic."

The museum was created in 1959 as a gallery for the campus art department, but is now an independent entity serving all students, according to Berns. She hopes the renovations will make the facility more accessible.

"The original idea for the building was to turn inwards, facing the art department," Berns said. "But now, we want it outwards to the campus. We now want all the students to see it rather than just the art students."

Museum officials hope the project will significantly beautify the strip between the UCen and the museum, an area where they expect to see increasing foot traffic with the completion of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building.

"More and more people will have to walk through this area to get to the UCen," said Sharon Major, museum public relations coordinator. "We want to take advantage of that fact and create a gathering place for the students outside of the museum. I would like to see musical events and night events occurring in our new court."

The new entrance will feature a winding steel colonnade that will glow at night with lighting from the ground.

The museum's interior will also undergo reconstruction in the form of more permanent galleries. The project is expected to add 650 square feet of new gallery space, which will house two permanent collections.

This additional space will enable more art to be shown on campus, according to Keith Simmons, capital projects coordinator for the Academic Senate's Subcommittee on Architecture, Planning and Environment.

"This plan is going to be a great addition to the campus," he said. "The Art History Dept. thinks it's a wonderful idea. A lot more of the art collections can be seen now."

Currently, the museum must shut down to prepare for new exhibitions, but under the new plan, it will be able to keep some displays open, according to Berns.

"With the increase in space, it will give us more flexibility in programming," she said. "The museum can now still be open for the permanent galleries as we prepare for feature exhibitions."

Museum officials and the Campus Development Office will raise the estimated \$1.8 million needed for the project solely through private donations, ac-

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Efforts to Unionize Increased Due to Changes in Personnel Policies

By Michiko Takeda
Staff Writer

Campus employees are stepping up efforts to unionize because of a new systemwide policy they believe does not adequately reward them for their work.

University Professional and Technical Employees, a systemwide union, hopes to eventually represent all staff members at UCSB and across the UC. Of the four units into which systemwide employees are divided — health-care professionals, administrative professionals, research associates and technical employees — only technical employees are now represented by the group.

But the union is working to inform all UC staff about its go-

als, and hopes to represent the other three categories as well. Research associates will vote by mail ballot in March on whether UPTE should represent them as well.

Much of the push to unionize stems from concerns surrounding the Human Resources Management Initiative, a 1993 UC Office of the President mandate that campuses reward performance and encourage competition through their employee payment systems.

Union-represented employees are in a better position to influence HRMI because the University must negotiate the policy with the unions, according to Martha Cody-Valdez, UPTE campus chapter

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Lack of Funds May Close Group's Doors

By Jeff Brax
Staff Writer

"Things are really running smoothly and running well — I'm just a little overwhelmed," said Janice Seibert, Let Isla Vista Eat interim executive director. "There's only so much one person can do and I'm real tired."

LIVE, a local nonprofit organization which distributes food to more than 600 needy people in the community, entered the new year with an uncertain financial future and an interim executive director under a great deal of pressure.

While Seibert stresses that LIVE has smoothly continued to meet the community's needs, she has spent much of her two-month tenure as director trying to unravel a complex web of funding practices to keep the organization afloat.

Now, unable to obtain

\$17,000 in Santa Barbara County funds, and with another potential \$24,000 delayed by the federal government shutdown, Seibert is unsure how much longer LIVE can keep its doors open.

"It may be open only for another month or two, and then we have no money. I can see clear sailing until the end of February, and then we need money," she said.

Let Isla Vista Eat provides hot breakfast for 50 to 60 low-income students at Ellwood Elementary School, cooks up lunches and snacks at I.V. Youth Project and distributes groceries to about 600 people in the community.

"It's really the only organization in the Goleta valley distributing food," said United Methodist Church Pastor Merle Lehman, a LIVE board member for 10 years. "It's helped a lot of people."

The organization's funding comes from private donations and government grants, while much of its supplies comes from the county food bank, Lehman added. Children constitute nearly half the recipients of the grocery distribution program, which operates every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning out of Estero Park, according to Seibert.

"Primarily, it's low-income families. Usually, one member is working, usually the dad, or on welfare, but their income is just not enough to meet the need," she said. "If the families aren't getting food, they're not feeding their children. I think we're benefiting our children by giving them food."

Since stepping down as board president and assuming executive director duties Nov. 2, Seibert said she has tried to run

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HEADLINERS

Budget Battle Continues Despite Truce

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans rejected President Clinton's plan for a balanced budget Sunday and warned that they will close government programs they don't like if there's no agreement on a budget plan in the next few weeks.

"We are going to fund only those programs we want to fund," said House Republican Whip Tom DeLay of Texas. Spending bills must originate in the House, he said, adding, "We're in charge. We don't have to negotiate with the Senate, we don't have to negotiate with the Democrats."

Clinton ended a three-week shutdown of federal programs Saturday when he acceded to Republican demands and offered a new seven-year balanced budget plan.

That announcement kicked in congressional action to fund all government programs, but only through Jan. 26. If there's no budget agreement by then, federal offices could

close for the third time this fiscal year.

At that point, DeLay said on NBC's *Meet the Press*, if House Republicans don't want to fund programs they don't like, such as the National Endowment for the Arts or the Legal Services Corporation, "we just won't bring it up on the floor and fund it."

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Tom DeLay
House Republican whip

The Clinton proposal provided far less savings in Medicare, Medicaid and welfare than Congress' seven-year plan, and would cut taxes over seven years by \$87 billion, well below the \$241 billion sought by the Republicans.

"It shows us that Bill Clinton is the big-spending liberal Democrat

we always thought he was," said Rep. John Boehner (R-Ohio) on CBS' *Face the Nation*.

"We're very concerned about whether there are two snow jobs going on here in Washington," said Sen. Trent Lott (R-Miss.), speaking of the snowstorm that shut down the capital and led to cancellation of further budget talks

Lott and Boehner also agreed the two sides could split the difference over the amount of Medicare savings — Congress has proposed \$201 billion over seven years, the president \$102 billion. "It's realistic and doable," Boehner said.

Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, appearing on *Meet the Press*, was less enthusiastic about a Medicare compromise. "I think the answer there is very simple and that is no."

And Republican presidential candidate Steve Forbes said on NBC that he would oppose any changes in the GOP tax-cut plan if capital gains were affected.

Republicans have threatened to start impeachment proceedings against Rubin because of his maneuvers to keep from exceeding the debt ceiling, and another crisis looms when the Treasury must meet more interest payments in mid-February.

Wilson to Offer School Plan, Program Reforms

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Gov. Pete Wilson will offer \$276 million in extra state funds for local public schools and propose new welfare, Medi-Cal and juvenile justice reforms



this week, he said in weekend statements.

The school proposal was unveiled Sunday by Wilson in a written preview of the 1996-97 budget which he will submit to the Legislature on Wednesday. The welfare, Medi-Cal and juvenile justice plans were outlined by Wilson earlier in a videotape preview of his State of the State address today.

Wilson said the extra \$276 million — about 1 percent of the overall budget for California's public schools — would be earmarked for priority programs.

The amount includes \$100 million for computers and other new classroom technology, \$100 million more for teaching basic reading and mathematics, \$66 million for extra school safety measures and \$10 million more for school libraries.

"If our children are to be tomorrow's leaders and compete in the global marketplace, we must ensure that they have proficient computer skills," he said in a written statement announcing the one-time extra appropriation for classroom computers.

Wilson didn't give any details on the new reading

and mathematics money except that it would be dedicated to teaching basic skills. The school safety money would be earmarked for alternative schools where discipline is stressed more for students who disrupt regular classes or are expelled.

"We will no longer tolerate and babysit the bad apples who virtually prohibit 99 percent of our kids from feeling safe and learning," Wilson said. "We are sending a clear message: If you bring a weapon or drugs to school, or simply can't follow the rules, you are out of there."

The extra library money will be one-time funds allocated to a series of local pilot projects.

Wilson's welfare and Medi-Cal proposals anticipate congressional

enactment of legislation giving states block grants to spend as they wish on social services instead of dozens of allocations for specific programs, each with its own eligibility standards and spending mandates.

He said in the videotape preview of his annual address to the Legislature that the goal of his welfare and Medi-Cal proposals is "not to just reform the flawed welfare system ... but to replace it."

"Our goal is to recast and to reinvigorate our culture so that hard work is rewarded, the rule of law is respected and individuals take responsibility for their actions," Wilson said, promising "a top-to-bottom overhaul to give taxpayers a much better deal for their dollar."

Supreme Court Will Review Jail Sentences in King Case

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The issue of the short prison terms imposed on the two police officers convicted in the Rodney King beating is headed for the U.S. Supreme Court,



posing a test of federal judges' discretion in sentencing.

In arguments scheduled to be presented Tuesday, lawyers for the two former officers are asking the court to endorse judges' leeway to set punishments that fall outside federal sentencing guidelines.

Such a decision could free them to hand out shorter prison terms such as the 30-month sentences U.S. District Judge John Davies imposed for Stacey Koon and Laurence

Powell. "What this case is about ... is whether judges can look at people as individuals or whether they have to look at them as numbers," said Ira Salzman, Koon's attorney.

One analyst questioned whether the justices will be eager to draft new rules that might help Koon and Powell but also benefit criminals convicted of other offenses.

"If the defendants win in this case," said Laurie Levenson, a Loyola law school professor, "it is going to be a windfall for other defendants, including some whom society may view as more threatening than these two."

If the court finds appellate judges acted correctly in overturning the sentences, the case will return to Los Angeles for a resentencing of Koon and Powell, both freed last month.

Survey Suggests Changing Attitudes Among Freshmen

WASHINGTON (AP) — College freshmen are voicing dwindling support for casual sex and legal abortion, a survey says. But they have more liberal views on marijuana, with



support for legalization reaching a 15-year high.

In the 1995 survey, support for keeping abortion legal declined for the third straight year, to 58 percent.

In 1987, 52 percent of the freshmen responding to the survey supported casual sex. Now it's slipped to 43 percent.

"There are more diseases and stuff. And I just don't think people want to sleep with the first person they meet," said Denise Ledesma, an 18-year-old

freshman at California State University Los Angeles.

Among college freshmen, the belief that homosexual relationships should be prohibited has declined from a high of 53 percent in 1987 to an all-time low of 30.6 percent. And support for legalizing marijuana has risen to nearly 34 percent — double the 17 percent who held that view in 1989.

More than half the freshmen surveyed labeled their political views as "middle of the road." But the 30-year-old survey says some are moving further toward the left and right.

"We have a situation where the large majority of young people are moving toward the center," said Alexander W. Astin, a professor and director of the survey conducted by UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute.

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Weather

While watching those true-blue 49er fans leave Saturday's game with 11 minutes left on television, I happened to be slow enough with the mute button to catch the latest commercial from the cornerstone of American economics, McDonald's. In this cinematic gem, basketball star/pitchman Charles Barkley comically fails to recall the jingle listing off the ingredients of a popular burger featured at this fine establishment. Even Daffy Duck can recite this little ditty, primarily because a decade of previous commercials have pounded the song into our collective brain cells (or, in Daffy's case, cels).

Now I wonder to myself, why does Barkley (who is far from stupid) appear in an ad that makes him look like a fool? The easy answer, of course, is that he's getting paid gobs of money to look like a fool. Then I came up with the real answer: Charles Barkley is subtly lampooning the shallowness of the rest of America by demonstrating that, unlike the rest of us, he has better things to do with his grey matter than storing the tunes used to sell billions of burgers to the world. The man is a genius!

How 'bout that sunshine? Most of America is existing below freezing while we're enjoying perfection. Now remember, Californians don't gloat, we frolic! High: 70. Low: 46.

Police Report

With friends like these ...

Isla Vista Foot Patrol officers arrived at the 6600 block of Del Playa as backup to help break up a loud party at midnight Saturday.

"Upon my arrival I attempted to wade through a large crowd of pedestrians who were refusing to move out of the way and allow a [Santa Barbara Sheriff's Dept.] marked unit ... to get to the officers requesting assistance," reports state.

Several subjects, including one later identified as Todd Yanez, were standing next to the police vehicle and yelling at the officer driving, according to reports.

"Suddenly and without provocation Yanez struck the hood of the unit, hard, with his right hand/fist and kicked the side of the unit with his foot," reports state.

Yanez was placed under arrest, but allegedly attempted to resist while several crowd members began yelling at police to release him, according to reports.

"I told these subjects several times that Yanez was under arrest and to back off, but they refused. In an attempt to gain control of Yanez and achieve compliance with my order, I utilized my department issue baton by swinging it at the arms of the subjects assisting Yanez," reports state. "As I was regaining control of Yanez I was struck, hard, on the left side of the head, with an unknown object, possibly a fist."

Yanez was arrested for resisting a police officer, and due to symptoms observed by officers, was booked for public intoxication as well.

"During the booking process Yanez made spontaneous statements indicating that he only placed his hands on the hood of the car because the officer almost ran him over," reports state. "Yanez apologized for resisting my efforts at arresting him, but he said he didn't feel he should have been arrested and shouldn't be blamed for his friends trying to help him escape."

With a little help from my friends

While walking the 6600 block of Del Playa, officers observed a green Volkswagen sedan carrying six to eight passengers and displaying an expired registration sticker. Police investigated.

"Due to the unsafe load of passengers and the expired registration I illuminated the car with my flashlight," reports state. "I also yelled for the driver of the vehicle to stop. As I approached the car I saw that the driver's side window was down and the driver was looking at me. The vehicle suddenly raced its engine and fled the area. The vehicle traveled west on Del Playa Rd., then, after failing to stop for the posted stop sign, turned right onto northbound Camino Del Sur."

Officers pursued the vehicle on foot, and observed the car on a Camino Del Sur driveway with its passengers fleeing the scene. Police were able to detain two subjects, later identified as Ryan Scott and Brett Hall. A pat-down search revealed a 12-ounce can of beer in Hall's coat pocket, according to reports.

"I asked Scott and Hall if either of them owned the vehicle. Both stated, 'No.' Both also said they had no idea who the owner of the car was. Due to the car being abandoned with the keys in it, I had the vehicle towed and stored," reports state.

Another subject, A. Brosche, later contacted officers to claim ownership of the car, according to reports.

"I pointed to the carton that was full of beer that I had recovered from the car and asked him if the beer belonged to him," reports state. "Brosche, who said he was only 19 years old, said he would take responsibility of the beer that was in his vehicle. Brosche said he was sorry he fled but was scared and urged to flee by the other passengers."

Hall and Brosche were cited for minor in possession.

—Compiled by Michael Ball from Isla Vista Foot Patrol reports



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OPINION

"I enjoy convalescence. It is the part that makes the illness worth while."
—George Bernard Shaw



To Drink or...

I.V. Parks Should be Available Both to Drink in and Play in

Editorial

About three years ago, when some Isla Vistas felt certain parks were overtaken by drunken loiterers, the I.V. Recreation and Park District passed an ordinance to ban alcohol consumption in almost half the community's parks.

Since then, parks such as Anisq' Oyo' that used to be intimidating areas to some I.V. families and students have become spaces the community can freely enjoy. Transients who live in I.V. still have parks to spend time in and drink if they want to, but other members of the community do not feel encroached upon by a loud and unruly crowd.

However, now that a children's recreational program is in the works at one of the parks frequented by a drinking crowd of transients, the I.V.RPD is once again addressing the issue of how to regulate drinking in I.V.'s parks.

Drinking is already prohibited in seven recreation areas, and a proposed ordinance which would add three more — Estero Park, Sueño Orchard and Tipi Village — was tabled at the last board meeting and will be up for debate again in two weeks. If passed, the legislation would reduce the number of I.V. parks in which alcohol consumption is allowed to six, fewer than half the number of parks in the community.

While maintaining safety and accessibility of the parks to the community should be a fundamental priority of the board, finding a space to allow drinking should also be a priority.

Even district staff members have pointed out that many of I.V.'s homeless are benign and orderly — most transients are friendly and courteous and some have helped keep park areas clean.

Attempting to oust them from all parks is not accomplishing anything but simply pushing the situation elsewhere. Those who want to drink will find a place, and there is no reason not to designate some parks for alcohol consumption.

The new program to make sports equipment available to youngsters in Estero Park requires that drinking be curtailed there in order to avoid problems, but there is no real reason to outlaw drinking in other park areas. The important factor to consider is how much traffic an area sees and how many children use it. At least a few of the parks used less often by youngsters should be kept available for people to peacefully drink in.

If a recreation program is initiated at Estero Park, maybe the ban should be lifted on one of the parks where drinking is currently prohibited. But until an actual problem exists, changing the status quo is unwarranted.

With as much park land as Isla Vista has, there should be no reason why both those who want to play in the parks and those who want to use them to drink in cannot share the community's resources, even if it means they don't always meet on the same land.

Parks are meant to be enjoyed by everybody, even those who only want to drink there.

Who Really D...

Jerry F. Childs

We are in the midst of a record-setting governmental shutdown, and stories are coming out in the press about how so many of these government employees, working hard and living paycheck to paycheck, are facing financial ruin as a result. At least this is what I am reading in the newspapers, and this seems to me to be somewhat believable.

But what I see here is a grand miscarriage of justice. Many of these people, I'm quite sure, work hard and have families to support. Most of these people, at the very least, give something back to a productive society.

So why is it then, that we have emergency spending to give money to those receiving public assistance?

I am at a loss to explain why we choose to support those who really don't give anything back to a productive society, while those who perform a service to the nation are stuck dealing with possible foreclosures and mouths to feed. I'm going to go out on a limb here and say that those who are gainfully employed are, in my opinion, much more deserving of the money in emergency spending than are those who are gainfully unemployed.

Why is there more sympathy for those who have some control over their fate than there is for those who really don't have any? This is an issue that has me terribly upset. Several years ago, the California state government was issuing IOUs to its employees. Although it was a nice gesture, they soon became unusable, as those holding them were in effect lending money for zero interest. Cash assistance, however, in the name of sympathy, was going to those receiving public assistance, those who really did not earn it.



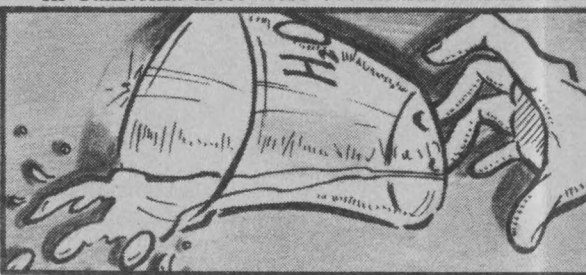
The Reader's Voice

Thirsty?

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Here in California over 19 million residents were affected by violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act in 1993-94 alone, according to information compiled by CALPIRG and the Natural Resources Defense Council in late October.

In California there were 406 health standard violations, 82 treatment technique violations and 773 monitoring and reporting violations, totaling 1,314 community water system violations. And Californians were not alone. There were over 14,000 violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act that same year that affected 92 million Americans.



This is about far more than just drinking water that tastes bad, looks or smells funny. Experts estimate that each year nearly 1 million people get sick and 900 die from contaminated drinking water.

A.S. Does Bikes

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Whether one feels that Leo has lied, that Leg Council is a bunch of whiny, self-obsessed pseudo-politicians or if Tamara has too much power, I would like to point out glaring omission in a recent editorial.

I would like to praise the eloquence of the author, but feel slighted that the Associated Students Bike Shop was not included in the list of valuable services that A.S. provides. Students, staff and faculty can come by to lub their chains, fill their tires and even borrow tools to learn how to fix their bikes.

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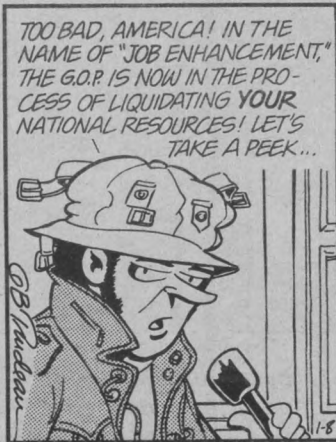
The shop is located on the bike path by the old pool. And no, bike registration can be done with the CSOs at the end of Stadium Road at the public safety building.

SCOTT PEARSON

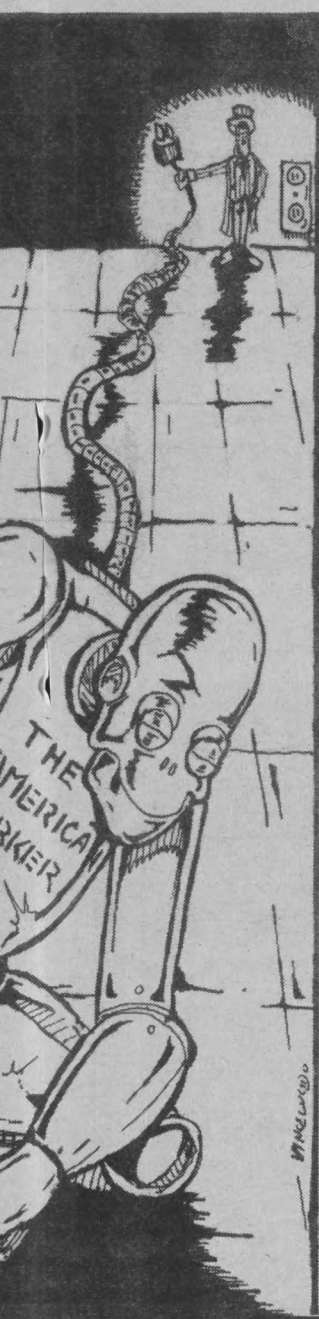
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Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Deserves Help?



It appears that we have some priorities mixed up here. People struggling to make a living may be losing it. People who aren't struggling to help themselves are getting the help, and all as a part of this budget problem. Other questions need to be asked as well: Will the government employees receive back pay for work not performed? Will they then work overtime in an effort to catch up for time lost? Most importantly, when will this end?

The last question seems to be the most tricky. I know that I am skewing off the point, but I have to say that the Republican freshman congressmen are doing a good job and those in leadership, like Bob Dole, are not when they don't stick to their beliefs.

And while we're on the subject, why are the Republicans being blamed so much for not passing a budget? It's the president who won't sign it. But this is also a good thing. For the first time in his term, President Clinton appears to be sticking to his beliefs. I have one problem, though. Has he publicly presented a budget proposal within the last few weeks? I haven't seen one.

What we are seeing here during this whole shutdown is history. Republicans who promised that they would produce balanced budgets, are actually keeping their word. The Democrats are saying, "Yes, the budget maybe should be balanced, but not so quickly!!!" As if 35 years was not enough time.

The federal government is shrinking. It will cause a lot of pain. Hey, people getting off heroin go through a lot of pain, too, but they end up better without it. But if this rehabilitation is completed, will the temptation to try it again get us hooked all over? We shall see.

Jerry F. Childs is a senior political science major.

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Among the water contaminants found in California were arsenic and radioactive radon. Both of these are known human carcinogens. Nationally, over 19 million people are exposed to radon at levels above the EPA-proposed standard and 50 million Americans have significant levels of arsenic in their tap water. Despite these and other serious health concerns with our drinking water, both the U.S. Congress and the California Legislature are attempting to roll back our safe-drinking laws to allow even more cancer-causing chemicals into our

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Rep. Andrea Seastrand will have the opportunity to vote to oppose the rollback of the Safe Drinking Water Act within the next few weeks, and we should all make sure that she knows Santa Barbara is very concerned that its water is safe enough to drink.

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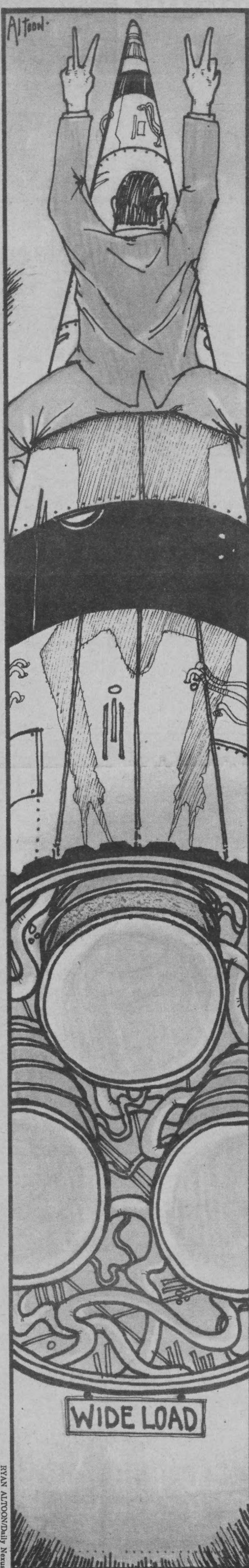
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Movies Misrepresent the Reality of an Era

Travis Moon

I haven't viewed Oliver Stone's latest cinematic effort *Nixon* yet, but I find it humorous, if not pathetic, that several of Richard Nixon's cohorts have protested publicly that certain people (i.e. themselves) and events were misrepresented by Stone.

The latest salvo of criticism has come from convicted felons John Ehrlichman and Gordon Liddy, not to mention Henry Kissinger, once a national security adviser to Nixon and the one who helped escalate the Vietnam War to the murderous affair it became. Ironically, it was Kissinger who shared in the Nobel Peace Prize for helping to negotiate the Vietnam cease-fire which ended the war he, Nixon and Robert McNamara heightened.

What makes this all so contemptible is that, for years, conservative money has funded motion pictures that promote certain conservative agendas and, in doing so, have all-out lied about some events, slandered some people and misrepresented several facts.

The propaganda film *The Green Berets* comes to mind. This was the film that tried to dupe the American people into believing that after Vietnam was captured by communists, the U.S. would be next. In the end, the Duke, John Wayne, tells a young Vietnamese boy, "You know, you're what this war is all about." Yeah. Sure.

The film, of course, left out the massacre of innocent civilians, many of them women and children, in My Lai in 1968. Conveniently, the film left out the rape and tortures of women and girls. The footage of U.S. soldiers shooting smack into their veins, supplied by Nixon's government, must have been edited out to fit in

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the scenes that gushed forth with U.S. patriotic sentiment.

More recently, the film *Forrest Gump* lent new meaning to such an old and tired concept as shameless propagandizing. Sure, the film displayed a systematic propagation of "conservative values," which is itself a contradiction of terms, but what was most repugnant was the idea of delivering this message by way of a patriotic idiot (Tom Hanks) who thinks that life is like a box of chocolates.

This, perhaps, explains why conservatives have attacked public education over the years, as well as cut student aid for colleges while raising tuitions and abolishing Affirmative Action; they want everyone to be as stupid and politically obedient as Forrest Gump.

But all of this is neither here nor there. Aside from the fake family values message, the decade of the '60s, in general, along with the men and women who made that decade the important era it became, are portrayed in a very unflattering way. Activist Abbie Hoffman was portrayed as an egotistical, foul-mouthed leader, and the hippies were portrayed as stoners and blind followers, not the intellectuals that many anti-war activists were.

Oliver Stone has been accused of attempting to rewrite history in his film. True or not, nobody worked harder to rewrite the history of that crucial era than *American Graffiti* actor Ron Howard in his ever-deceitful film, *Apollo 13*.

This film more resembled *Friday the 13th* — it was, in its own way, a horror film starring (once again) Tom Hanks as fighter pilot/astronaut Jim Lovell on his trip to the moon, a "lost moon" to him because he doesn't get to stamp it with his boot. And while Ron and Tom and Jim and the U.S. are blasting off to the moon, while their adoring families and country are toasting their accomplishments, Jim's governmental accomplices (Nixon, Ehrlichman, Haldeman, Kissinger, etc.) are blasting away Vietnam, napping its families and country — another atrocity not included in the film.

This film, like *Gump* and like McNamara's memoirs and his contrived mea culpa, has a convenient memory. It had a very narrow angle for re-entry. Upon viewing *Apollo 13*, I felt like I needed to entertain my artistic reaction. I wanted to spray paint "ASStronaut" on every nASSa and Pentagon structure. I wanted to shout "AstroNOT" to our lost man in the moon. I wanted to shout "ASSTroNOT" until our man in the moon smiled down on us without Neil Armstrong's foot in his mouth.





All of that said, it's humorous that these complainers — men who broke the law, men who burglarized Watergate, men who lied to Congress, men who betrayed their country and men who obstructed justice — are concerned about their image in Stone's film. Let's face it, though the media did its damndest to portray Nixon as an "elder statesman" toward the end of his life, he was merely a liar and thief.

Ehrlichman, Haldeman and Liddy, having disgraced themselves and their political party, as well as having committed treason against the U.S., should be hidden away in seclusion somewhere, regretting and making amends for their crimes, not obsessed with whether history is going to treat them fairly or not.

No matter what the film portrays, it is highly doubtful that any one of these evil men is shown in his proper light. Even the most talented movie director cannot render visually the evil and immorality which typified the politicians of the Nixon era. Lucky for them.

Travis Moon is a Nexus columnist.

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- ★ **Taurus (April 20-May 20).** If there's a flare-up today, go ahead and say what's on your mind. Maybe you can work things out after all. You may also decide to get outside your dull routine. If there's a friend you've been meaning to visit, that's your excuse right there.
- ★ **Gemini (May 21-June 21).** If a friend wants you to learn a new game, go along. You'll have a great time, especially if it means you get to take a drive. If you're spending somebody else's money, don't go over budget! Your partner would not be amused. Finish errands early.
- ★ **Cancer (June 22-July 22).** There's still time to make revisions to your resolutions. This will be an active day for many people, but you might enjoy some time for quiet contemplation. If you've earned the day off, take it! Resist the urge to splurge on an expensive toy.
- ★ **Leo (July 23-Aug. 22).** It might be hard to stop thinking about a problem, even after you get home. Assign that task to your subconscious mind, and let your conscious mind relax. You won't overindulge tonight, of course, but make sure your friends don't, either.
- ★ **Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You may get a little pressure today. A friend may want you to abandon the chores you enjoy and spend the whole day goofing off. If possible, you ought to go for the deal. Tonight, you could have a minor clash with a loved one about money. You're the expert.
- ★ **Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Today would be a good time to choose. Go ahead and do it, or you may get left with nothing. If you're going to a party tonight, you may run into your true love there. If you already know who that is, you'd better take him or her with you!
- ★ **Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Somebody may want proof for a point you'd just as soon the person took on faith. If so, stall. Your inquisitor may lose interest by tomorrow. You may get the data you need by then, too. A historian can help you chart your course for the future.
- ★ **Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** This day was made for playing. It would be wonderful if you could grab a few friends and go where you can raise a ruckus without getting into trouble. There may be complications, though. Something you need may not be where you left it.
- ★ **Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You may run into somebody today who's younger, has less experience, and who wants to tell you how to do your job. What's worse, that one may be partially right! You'll enjoy a group activity later tonight, but you can expect a few surprises there, too.
- ★ **Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You may get the feeling some people aren't as interested in important issues as you are. Actually, they may be listening to the beat of a different drummer. Make time for doing your exercises, especially if you've been kind of sedentary lately.
- ★ **Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20).** If you find yourself unexpectedly in the spotlight, do not dismay. You might have just performed brilliantly, without even knowing it. Go ahead and take the credit! Working with a group of friends on a big project will be a lot of fun.

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"We've been very fortunate to get such financial support," she said. "Our

fund raising has been moving very swiftly."

Organizers will need to raise the remainder of the money before the project can begin. The museum, which just opened the annual UCSB Art Studio Faculty Exhibition of 1996, will remain open until the construction.

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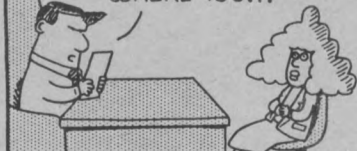
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LIVE

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Both entities are demanding that LIVE con-

duct an expensive internal audit before they will release funds — putting the organization in an awkward position, according to Seibert.

"I've met with someone who's an accountant, who's acting as a liaison between us and the county, and we're trying to find the money to do an

audit," she said. "It's a catch-22. If the county's got my money, where can I get the money to do an audit?"

LIVE has also applied for a \$24,000 federal grant, but has not yet received notice, probably because of the national government shutdown, according to Seibert. In addition,

just receiving word does not entail approval, she said.

"I'm not confident of anything. I'm confident we'll get something, but I don't think the government's getting more generous to the needy or homeless," Seibert said.

But without funding soon, LIVE may have to

shut down — a frightening proposition for I.V.'s needy, according to former Executive Director Brian Farley.

"It wouldn't be good," he said. "I think it's incredibly important to Isla Vista to have a well-run, positive service organization that is responsive to the community's needs."

Seibert, meanwhile, rushes to beat a Friday deadline on a United Way grant application and keep LIVE's fiscal problems from undermining its primary objective — helping local families.

"My biggest thing is keeping the doors open," she said. "If I can't feed the people, what's the point?"

UNION

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"With HRMI, if you don't have representatives, it can be imposed unilaterally," she said, adding that HRMI's final version could appear this month, and may be fully implemented in July.

Under HRMI, cost-of-

living raises for employees would be de-emphasized in favor of awards for specific accomplishments.

While the University claims this proposal will add more flexibility in the workplace, some employees fear the policy's implementation could limit their financial awards.

"They can't guarantee it will be there every year. I would rather be getting a

raise," said Bill Mackins, Technical Employees representative.

Employees' concerns also extend to the effect HRMI may have on their eventual retirement pay.

Because retirement money is taken out of a percentage of employees' base pay, it does not grow as steadily under a system in which base pay does not annually increase.

"It's not base building. ... At the end of 20 years you basically have the same pay you had 20 years ago," Mackins said.

Another of UPTe's concerns with HRMI is its market-based pay, in which the salary for a certain job will be based partly on surveys of the market it is in. UPTe believes the UC could lower wages in certain markets

based on these surveys, without taking into account the area's cost of living.

"They're doing local surveys to justify paying people less," Cody-Valdez said. "It used to be that salary was set systemwide."

The technical professionals' bargaining unit of UPTe is in the middle of contract negotiations with University Associate Di-

rector of Labor Relations Gayle Cieszkiewicz.

"I think they're going fairly well," she said.

While not all aspects of HRMI are necessarily damaging, union bargainers are trying to strike those parts that are, according to Mackins.

"There are some good points and there are bad. We have to weed out ... the bad," he said.

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Wednesday, Jan. 10

8 am-5 pm — Sign up for Rec Sports at the Rec Center 1110 or call 893-3253. Individual and team sign ups for all sports.

5 pm — Ongoing Beginning Tai Chi Chuan Classes — start now and develop own schedule for personalized instruction. Increase concentration w/total relaxation and unification of spirit (awareness, mid, & body) through the moving meditation, health exercise, martial art sport of TCC. \$40/mo, \$300/yr. Snyder Hall Patio. The Supreme Fist (Struggle)

6 pm — Order of Omega initiation for all old and new members. Refreshment following event! UCen State St.

6 pm — Iranian Student Association: winter quarter general meeting. We have a lot of great events coming up, please join us and bring your suggestions! UCen Lobero

9 pm — Wrestling Club open practice — get in shape for winter quarter the wrestling way. New members welcome. 2120 Rob Gym

Thursday, Jan. 11

8 am-5 pm — Sign up for Rec Sports at the Rec Center 1110 or call 893-3253. Individual and team sign ups for all sports.

5-6 pm — Toastmasters will get rid of all your problems about speaking in public — come today and learn how to give great speeches. UCen Flying A

7 pm — University Christian Fellowship weekly meeting, come worship God in a multicultural setting! This week's topic: "Discipleship." Everyone is welcome! UCen S.B. Harbor

7:30-9 pm — Ongoing Beginning Tai Chi Chuan Classes — start now and develop own schedule for personalized instruction. Increase concentration w/total relaxation and unification of spirit (awareness, mid, & body) through the moving meditation, health exercise, martial art sport of TCC. \$40/mo, \$300/yr. Corwin Pavilion. The Supreme Fist (Struggle)

Friday, Jan. 12

Saturday, Jan. 13

9 am — Everyone interested in visiting the John Paul Getty Museum's exhibit on Isfahan is invited to meet at the bus circle at 9 am. We will be car pooling. Contact Tina at 685-6503 if you need a ride. \$3

1-3 pm — Wrestling Club open practice. Any size, any weight can learn to wrestle. New members welcome. 2120 Rob Gym

Sunday, Jan. 14

1 pm — Iaorrana Te Otea, UCSB's Polynesian music and dance club meeting, outside front of Rob Gym

9-11 pm — Martial Arts Club practice: all styles and levels welcome to come work out with us. Rob Gym 2120

Monday, Jan. 15

No classes — Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday!

To have your event published in the calendar you must:

- 1) Register your group or organization with CAC
- 2) Submit the information on the proper form to the CAC office, UCen 3151, by WEDNESDAY 5 pm
- 3) Only one event per form
- 4) Only events for the current week are published, on the day of the event
- 5) You will need to submit a new form for each meeting