

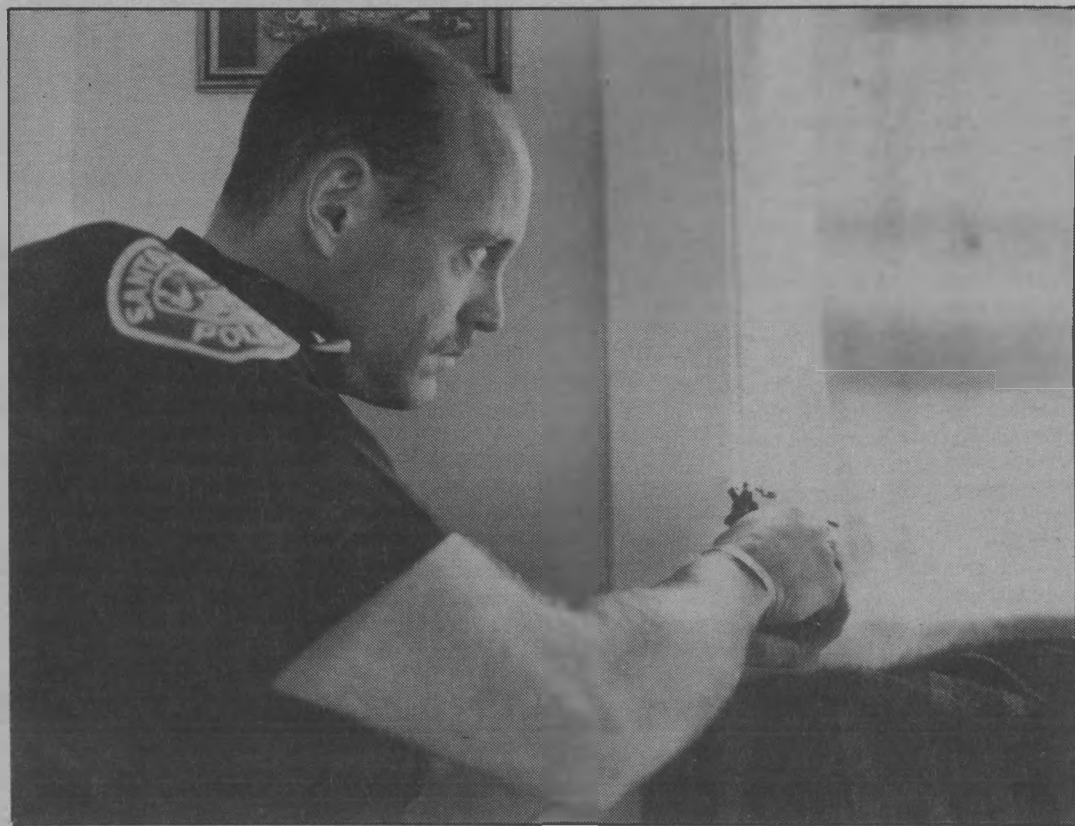
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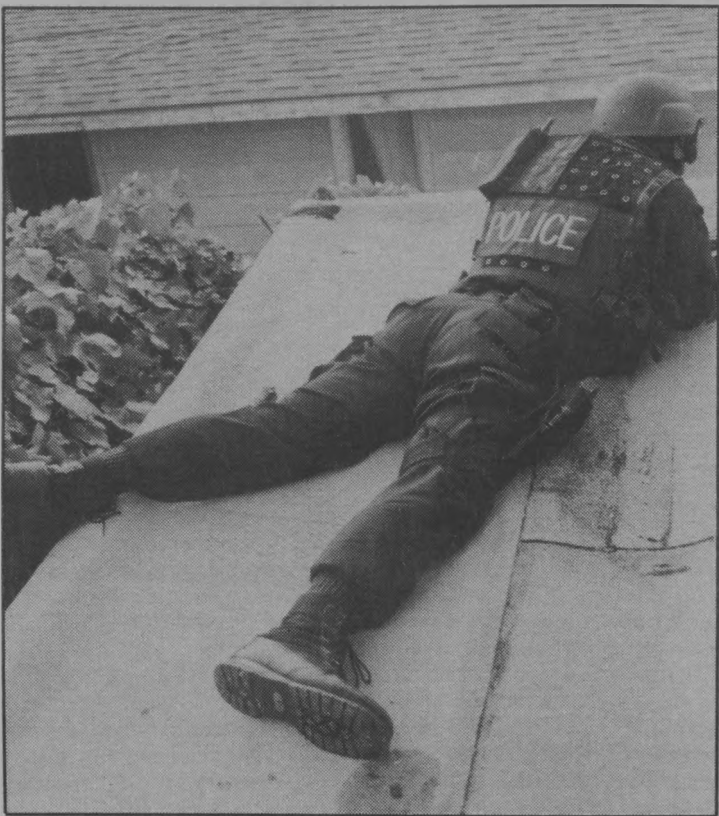
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Father Holds Young Child Hostage



Police officers took up positions in neighboring apartments to focus on the hostage situation that began Monday at 2 p.m. The strain of the crisis shows on the face of one officer during the surveillance (top). Photos by Rachel Weill.

By Brett Chapman
Staff Writer

A 25-year-old male turned 814 Bath Street, Apt. C, into a makeshift fortress Monday evening, barricading himself in the unit with his 23-month-old child.

The hostage crisis erupted at approximately 2 p.m. and shots were fired, but no one was injured. As of press time, the situation had not yet been resolved and the police were withholding the names of the parties involved.

The incident was prefaced by several domestic disputes between the man and his 21-year-old girlfriend, the baby's mother, in recent weeks. The couple broke up following a violent dispute earlier this month.

"He's despondent over her leaving him," said Lt. John Thayer, Santa Barbara Police Dept. public information officer. "Two weeks ago he was arrested for spousal battery."

The woman arrived Sunday evening to pick up her child, but the man held her at knife-point and took the baby. Police spent all of Sunday night looking for the suspect and his child, to no avail.

The man phoned the woman at work at approximately 2 p.m. Monday, saying that if she did not come in 10 minutes he would harm himself and/or the child. At that point she called 911 emergency, Thayer said.

"One shot was fired into the floor or ceiling and another one upon arrival of our officers," Thayer said. The police did not return the fire.

Police cordoned off the area and members of the Special Weapons and Tactics team positioned themselves in

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Senate Approves G.E., Academic Minors Plan

More Student Options in New Requirements

By Joanna Frazier
Staff Writer

The Academic Senate has recently approved via mail ballot a proposal to amend the General Education Program, despite some criticism that the plan would reduce the strength of the old requirements.

The senate also approved a long-awaited mechanism to establish academic minors, which was included on the ballot by voting in favor of the G.E. proposal during Dead Week of Winter Quarter for a plan proponents say will provide more flexibility for students.

The new G.E. requirements — hotly debated at the Faculty Legislature's January session by opponents who said the proposal would only water down an already strong program — will go into effect for all students immediately, according to Muriel Zimmerman, chair of the faculty G.E. Committee.

"If the new requirements apply for them, graduating se-

niors can petition with [the dean] to ask to be approved for graduation under the new rules," Zimmerman said. "We are committed to getting this information out in the new *Schedule of Classes*."

Zimmerman anticipates that the most crucial difference in the new proposal will be the number of courses that apply to the writing requirement. Currently, students must select from about 250 courses to fulfill the requirement.

"We're hoping departments will submit more courses to add to the writing requirement list," she said. "Any student can petition the dean and demonstrate that they did intensive writing in any class."

John Wiemann, communication professor and former chair of an ad hoc committee to start the ball rolling on G.E. reform, said the new plan is a step in the right direction for the campus.

"This is an important simplification. UCSB has a G.E. re-

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Mobil Oil Continues Costly Excavation of Ellwood Spill

By Kristi Neff
Staff Writer

Operations to dispose of several hundred barrels of crude oil that leaked onto Ellwood Beach from a Mobil Oil pipeline March 16 are almost complete, according to officials.

Though the excavation of the contaminated soil was delayed by recent weather conditions, major environmental damage was averted due to the site, according to Vida Strong of County Resource Management.

"Because of the location of the spill and the immediacy with which it was discovered, none of it reached the ocean," she said. "Oil spills can be devastating and this will be a costly cleanup

for Mobil, but they got lucky with the location."

The rupture in the line that allowed 350 barrels of oil to leak under Sandpiper Golf Course was one-sixteenth by one-eighth of an inch, according to Mobil public affairs adviser Shauna Clarke. "It looks like a little pit," she said.

Although the cause is still unknown, Clarke cited the state of equipment as a possibility.

People were kept off the beach due to the heavy machinery used for cleanup and possible risks. However, there was little danger to public health, according to Bruce Carter, County Environmental Health emergency planner.

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"The Buzz"

Campus Discusses New Chancellor

By Chris George
Staff Writer

As UCSB awaits the visit of the newly appointed chancellor next month, various campus officials are hopeful the newcomer will serve his constituents well.

Chief administrator-to-be Henry Yang, who will replace Chancellor Barbara Uehling by July 1, has been lauded by the fa-

culty and administration for his dedication to the classroom. English Professor Porter Abbott, chair of the faculty subgroup of the search committee that researched Yang's background, said the engineering dean from Purdue University has a strong commitment to students.

"He's a fabulous teacher," Abbott said. "He believes in teach-

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HEADLINERS

Zulu Nationalists Set off Shooting War

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Bodies sprawl in the streets of the nation's largest metropolis. Terrified office workers cower behind desks. A traumatized city shudders.

The deadly events that erupted during and after a Zulu march through downtown Johannesburg on Monday bring South Africa's political leaders face to face with their most daunting question: What is to be done about the Zulus?

The largest single tribe in South Africa, the Zulus are armed and angry.

The most nationalistic and militant of them bitterly oppose next month's first fully democratic elections and the inevitability of a future government led by Nelson Mandela's African National Congress. The election will erase South Africa's distinct ethnic homelands and crush their proud heritage.

The ANC says the country's racial and ethnic groups must learn to live together after generations of segregation under apartheid.

Fanning these fears has been Zulu nationalist leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

With the start of Black-majority rule just weeks away, South Africans are increasingly anxious that



the ANC and the government of President F.W. de Klerk quickly placate or neutralize the Zulus.

Eight thousand strong, Zulus poured out of their workers' hostels Monday morning to march the 10 miles into Johannesburg, ostensibly to show loyalty to their monarch, King Goodwill Zwelithini, who is Buthelezi's nephew.

The marchers presented a fearsome vision of an invading war party. Carrying goatskin shields painted in tribal emblems, some wearing headgear fashioned of leopard pelts, they waved spears, machetes, clubs and guns.

Bystanders were menaced, poked at with spears. Hawks fled, leaving their wares. Bus drivers abandoned their vehicles. Zulus clambered up lamp posts to rip down posters of Mandela.

Three times the marchers surged toward ANC national headquarters. Twice they were turned away or persuaded to

withdraw. The third time, shooting broke out. Each side blamed the other, but much of the gunfire came from snipers on rooftops. At least nine were killed in the streets there. Others were gunned down while rallying in a square in front of the main library.

When the shooting stopped, at least 31 people were dead, hundreds had been wounded, and South Africa clearly faced a turning point. After weeks of rising tensions and violence, the hostility between the ANC and Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party had boiled over into open warfare in the heart of the country's largest city.

For South African whites nervous about the switch to Black rule, it was their worst nightmare come true. Scores of panicked residents called radio stations vowing to leave before the post-election rapine begins.

The bloodshed came just two days after a meet-

ing between de Klerk and Buthelezi.

De Klerk responded to the carnage by urging yet another meeting, this time with Mandela and Zwelithini joining him and Buthelezi.

It is in the interest of de Klerk's National Party government to keep Inkatha functioning, as a counterweight to the ANC and a possible future ally. De Klerk has argued that using force against Inkatha would cause more problems than it would solve.

The National Party appears to be pinning its hopes on Buthelezi backing off from a fight he cannot win.

"While Chief Minister Buthelezi prattles on about 'principles,' 'sovereignty' and 'federalism,' his supporters are receiving the hidden subtext: Prevent by all possible means a free and fair election!" the ANC said in a statement Monday.

"Gangsterism is destroying the hopes of the majority of our people for our first-ever free vote."

The ANC's proposed solution is to disarm Buthelezi's KwaZulu police and deploy South African army troops in the streets of his KwaZulu capital to protect voting booths.

Beating Victim Testifies in Damage Suit

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A soft-spoken Rodney King got down on a courtroom floor Monday, re-enacted portions of his 1991 beating by police and told jurors: "I felt like I had been raped."

Describing how batons smashed into his head, he said, "I felt like I had lost half of my face ... I could hear my bones crunching every time the baton hit me. ... It sounded like throwing an egg and hearing the shell crack."

Relating how officers hogtied and dragged him to the side of the road, King said, "I felt like a cow that was waiting to be slaughtered, like a piece of meat."

"I was just so scared. I felt like I was going to die," he said.

King, testifying in his \$9.5 million damage suit against the city of Los Angeles, also said the officers shouted racial epithets and laughed at him.

"I could see the smile on their faces. I was really scared to see so many officers standing around and laughing," he said.

Asked if he felt the beating was unusual, he said, "I had a feeling that this happens all the time ... I just happened to run into the wrong pack of dogs, police officers."



Three years after the videotaped March 3, 1991, beating, King, 28, said he could remember what happened, but not the order in which things occurred.

He recalled an evening that began in celebration of his winning back his job with a construction company.

"I was very proud of myself for having got back with my company," said King, who had served time in prison for robbery. He admitted drinking too much beer and champagne that night and said he tried to elude a police traffic stop because he feared going back to prison.

When police caught up with him, he said, he tried to comply with orders to get down on the ground.

Under questioning by his lawyer, Milton Grimes, King left the witness stand twice and got down on the floor to show jurors the position he was in when

struck by police batons and boots.

As his mouth filled with blood, he said, he heard police yell, "We're gonna kill you, nigger. Run!" He said he ran to get away.

"I felt like I had been raped [of] my decency and manhood," he said quietly. "I heard them say nigger, nigger and killer."

"How did you feel?" asked Grimes.

"Very scared for my life," said King. "I knew they were going to try to kill me when they started saying nigger and killer."

At a federal civil rights trial last year for four officers charged in his beating, King made the same allegations but later said he wasn't sure about the racial remarks.

Previous testimony in the current trial focused heavily on medical issues. Doctors have said King suffered injuries that could have killed him, and one neurologist said he was surprised King survived.

The city has admitted liability, and jurors are being asked to set a damage figure. In a second phase, they will try to allocate blame to individual defendants for punitive damages.

The city offered a \$1.25 million settlement plus attorney's fees, which was rejected.

Four police officers were acquitted of nearly all assault charges in a state trial, and the April 1992 verdicts sparked three days of rioting. Two of the officers were convicted last year in federal court of violating King's civil rights and are serving 30-month prison sentences.

King testified about his beating in the second trial. This time on the stand, King indicated his wounds were psychic as well as physical.

"I felt that I had been stripped of my decency and my will as a human being," he said. "I felt helpless. I felt scared, confused and very weak."

In his only allusion to the political impact of the case, he said: "I felt I had landed somewhere in the world not in the United States. The officers, the words, the racial slurs they were using that night, I thought I was somewhere else, not here."

Election Draws Diverse Candidates

By Martin Boer
Staff Writer

Another election season has begun in Santa Barbara County, with hopefuls declaring their candidacy and pundits speculating on the competition.

The 15 candidates vying for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, the California Senate and the California Assembly range from low-paid service workers to industrial heirs, leaving local voters to wade through their choices at the June 7 primary.

While name-recognition and funding have traditionally been the decisive factors in winning an election, County Clerk Ken Pettit believes the area's voting climate changed after Michael Huffington defeated 19-year Congressman Robert Lagomarsino in the Republican primary of 1992.

"Lagomarsino was defeated by an individual who pretty much bought the office. He hasn't even served his whole term. The voters will want some commitment," he said, referring to Huffington's run for the Senate after less than a year of service in the House.

Seven candidates are hoping to take Huffington's place as 22nd District representative in Congress. The three Republicans are 5th District County Supervisor Mike

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Stoker, Shell Beach Assemblywoman Andrea Seastrand and Wayne Reddig of Goleta.

Democrats include UCSB Religious Studies Professor Walter Capps, former aide to state Senator Gary K. Hart Marty Stone, and Hilda Zacarias, a Santa Maria School District trustee. David Ber-sohn is the sole candidate for the Libertarian Party.

Pettit believes that both races will be close, but that Supervisor Stoker will eventually prevail.

"Seastrand and Stoker will spend a lot duking it out in their primary. Stone will have an easier time, though Capps is a well-known person. Stoker will probably win," he said.

Only three candidates vie for Hart's 18th District seat in the state Senate. Assemblyman Jack O'Connell is running unopposed for the Democratic nomination, while businessman Steve Decker and rancher Steve Mac Elvaine compete for the Republican endorsement.

"O'Connell is widely favored to win, [so] I doubt

that race will be close. The chances of him losing are pretty remote," said UCSB political science Professor Eric Smith.

Five candidates from four parties are seeking the 34th District's state Assembly position O'Connell now holds. Hart aide Robert Ream and educator Mindy Lorenz seek the Democratic endorsement. Also running are Republican Brooks Firestone, a local farmer; Green Party member Tom Stafford, a writer; and Libertarian Chris Blunt, a grocery clerk.

"The Republicans have candidates who are better known and better funded. The Republicans will have an enormous advantage. Money makes the biggest difference for the candidate who's less well-known," Smith said.

UCSB College Republicans Vice Chair Lance Williams believes his party will win all three races because of local political views. "The College Republicans are excited and ready to take over once again, because Santa Barbara is predominantly Republican," he said.

Similar optimism is evident in the Democratic camp. According to UCSB College Democrats Events Chair Janice Roccoe, the party hopefuls are well-funded and capable of winning. "It's certainly feasible, since we have such strong candidates whose fund raising is going very well," she said.

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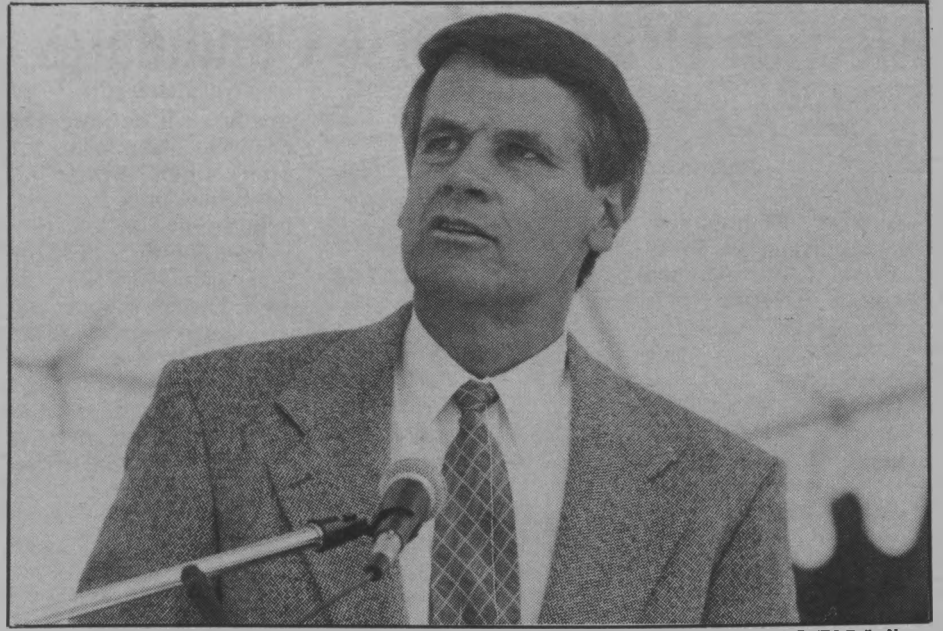
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California state Senator Gary Hart comments on the new addition to UCSB during his address at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Ceremony Kicks Off Construction

By Dan Warren
Reporter

Construction on the Humanities and Social Sciences Building commenced Monday with a groundbreaking ceremony commemorating the start of the two-year project.

The structure is the first humanities building to be added to the campus in 20 years, and was designed to meet the needs of eight departments with pressing needs for space.

California state Senator Gary K. Hart addressed the campus Monday morning and said the facility, which will be located in parking lot 28, east of the Events Center, will be a great addition to UCSB.

"Today's research and teaching can't be done in yesterday's classrooms," he said.

The \$32 million building is scheduled for completion in Spring 1996 and will

consist of a six-story tower, a four-story arcade and a single-story performing arts wing. The structure will house offices, labs, classroom and storage space for several College of Letters and Science departments.

Anthropology Professor Michael Joachim said the HSSB will greatly enhance the department with new teaching facilities. "We see it as an opportunity to not only increase office space, but also increase lab space and student space," Joachim said.

According to Martha Levy, director of capital and physical planning, the state is footing the bill for construction with the exception of \$3 million. One million dollars will be provided by the University of California Board of Regents, while the remainder of the unfinanced cost depends on a California bond measure.

The \$2 million the university is antici-

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MINORS: Departments Favor Plan

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 requirement that is more complex than is needed. Students should be trusted more and be given the chance to make more decisions," Wiemann said, adding that the plan may help some students graduate on time.

Everett Zimmerman, chair of the Executive Committee of Letters and Science, which supported the proposal, was pleased with the faculty vote. "I'm not greatly surprised. The proposal was likely to appeal to a broad spectrum."

The amended requirements include the following:

- Students may now fulfill the foreign language requirement by completing the third year of one language in high school with a grade point average of at least a C, rather than a B.
- Subdivisional requirements within general subject areas of science, math and technology, social science and arts are eliminated and a new area of literature has been added.
- In fulfilling general subject areas, there is no restriction on the number of courses used from any one department.

• Student petitioners appealing for G.E. credit now deal directly with the Committee on G.E.s, rather than with the college.

• Students will be permitted to design their own G.E. program, allowing them to take classes not listed by submitting a proposal to the Committee

on G.E.s for approval.

Academic Minors

With the senate giving the green light to academic minors after years of student lobbying, several departments have expressed interest in establishing a program.

"We are definitely interested in minors. A student can minor in Spanish and major in Portuguese or vice versa. ... The department is well-prepared for minors," said Juan Bautista Avallé-Arce, chair of the Spanish and Portuguese Dept.

Guidelines for academic minors, which will be optional for departments and students, should be set by the L&S executive committee soon, Everett Zimmerman said.

"We expect general guidelines to be out within the next two weeks. We would hope to have some minors programs in place by next year, but we hope the departments take some time to work out the details of the programs," he said, adding that departments will be required to provide an educational rationale for instituting the program.

Many departments expressed conditional support for establishing minors because of the possibility of losing senior faculty to the Voluntary Early Retirement Incentive Plan III by the April 29 deadline.

"The department hasn't discussed the specifics of a plan yet, but we are sup-

portive of the idea," said Aaron Ettenberg, vice chair of the Psychology Dept. "Psychology is a pretty impacted major with about 1,300 to 1,500 undergraduates. We have a small faculty with about 21 to 22 members.

"If adding minors means full majors can't get the classes they need, then that would be bad for the department. We need to wait and see who retires under VERIP III."

J. Sears McGee, History Dept. chair, also said that although the discipline is very interested in adding minors, the possibility of losing faculty to early retirement puts a damper on its plans.

"The History Dept. is definitely interested in creating a minor, but we can't really plan anything yet," McGee said. "We have 10 people actively considering VERIP III. If all of them take it, there's no way we can offer a minor unless we are able to replace those fairly quickly."

Kim Summerfield, an undergraduate adviser in sociology, said the department is not currently considering minors because the discipline is impacted already.

"Because all our classes are so impacted, it would just be slitting our throats to offer a minor," Summerfield said. "This isn't something we're planning on doing because we've had a tough time accommodating our major with about 700 undergrads."

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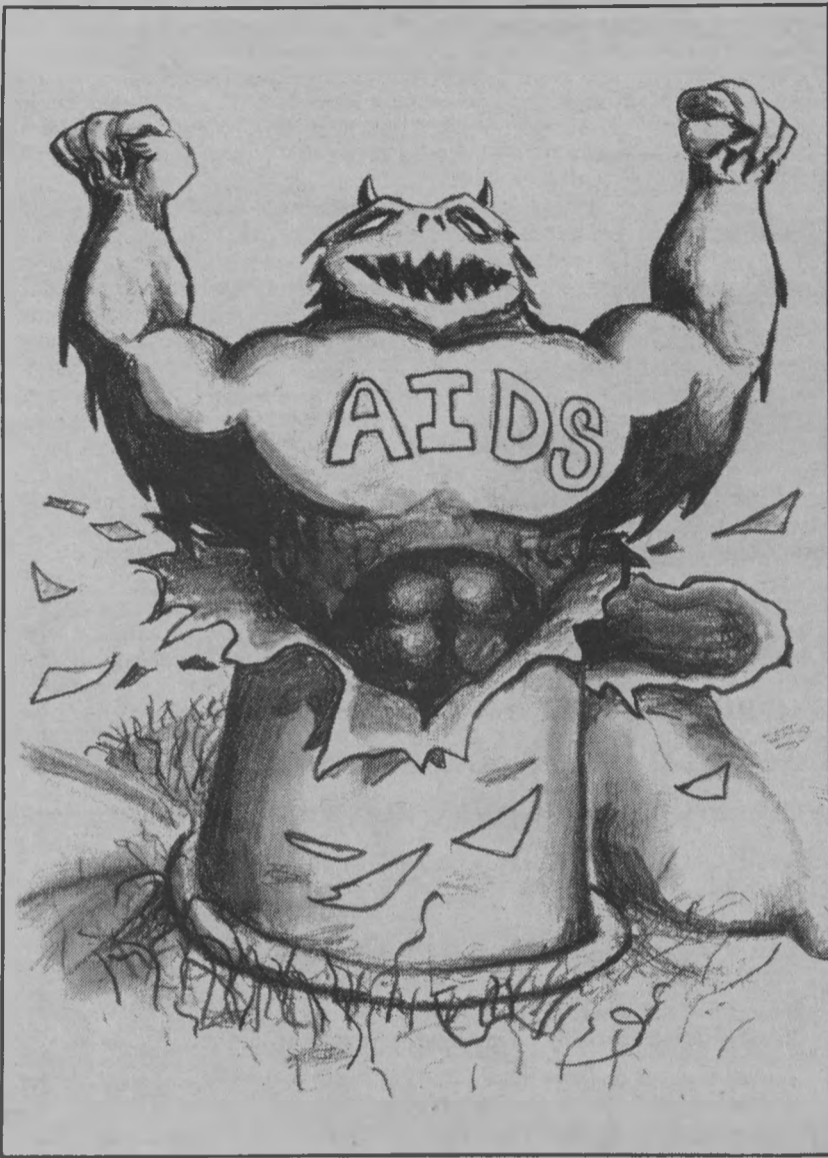
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The editor of *Rubber Chemistry and Technology*, C.M. Roland, states: "The rubber comprising latex condoms has intrinsic voids about 5 microns in size. The AIDS virus is only 0.1 micron in size. Since the AIDS virus is a factor of 50 smaller than the voids inherent in rubber, the virus can readily pass through the condom." In other words, a condom is about as effective against AIDS as a tennis net is against a BB gun.

The Centers for Disease Control state that condoms have a laboratory contraceptive success rate of 98%, but that is all it is, a "laboratory" rate, and not what happens in real life. Several studies have shown that the actual contraceptive failure rate of condoms is about 30%.

Our government officials know all this, yet they misrepresent the facts so as to continue their policy of immoral social change. Last October, Clinton administration AIDS czarina Kristine Gebbie denounced sexual morality and urged Americans to embrace recreational sex as an "essentially good and pleasurable thing."

On Jan. 4, all four broadcast networks accepted federally funded provocative advertisements promoting condom use. These condom ads target teenagers, a very impressionable group of people. These ads promote teenage sexual activity, which in many states is illegal under statutory rape laws. The federal government is aiding and abetting the breaking of these laws.

What's so tragic about all this is government endorsement of promiscuous casual sex, even at the local school level. The goal is to break down the inhibitions of school children and to trivialize the very serious moral, psychological and physical dangers of promiscuous sexual activity. Fools rush in where angels fear to tread.

J.L. Dautremont Jr. is a resident of Simi Valley.

The Reader's Voice

Some Words

Editor, Daily Nexus:

As senior faculty and staff at UCSB, we are deeply concerned about the comments attributed to Professor Larry Iannaccone in a *Santa Barbara News-Press* article on March 5 titled "Sources: Clinton official may be next chancellor." The article speculates that Dr. Eugene Garcia, presently national director of bilingual education programs in the Department of Education in Washington, D.C., may become the next chancellor of UCSB. Professor Iannaccone is quoted as dismissing Dr. Garcia's candidacy as merely a possible political ploy made in order to simply appoint a Hispanic to the position. Professor Iannaccone is also quoted as suggesting that Dr. Garcia does not have the background to become chancellor. If Professor Iannaccone is quoted correctly in the article, we find his comments to have little basis in fact.

We want to make it very clear that we are not endorsing Dr. Garcia's possible candidacy. What we are reacting to is Professor Iannaccone's statements concerning Dr. Garcia as quoted in the *News-Press*. Dr. Garcia possesses strong academic and administrative credentials that Professor Iannaccone chooses to disregard. Instead, Professor Iannaccone's comments, if quoted correctly, suggest patronizing and prejudicial reactions on his part, which are even more regrettable given his responsible position as head of UCSB's Academic Senate. Professor Iannaccone's comments do a disservice to Dr. Garcia, to UCSB, to the greater Santa Barbara community, to the state and to the nation, given Dr. Garcia's present position in the federal government.

The following faculty and staff endorse this statement. We believe that many more faculty and staff support our position. PROFESSOR DONALD ATKINSON, School of Education, PROFESSOR ELLIOTT BUTLER-EVANS, Dept. of English, PROFESSOR MANUEL CASAS, School of Education, PROFESSOR DOUGLAS DANIELS, Dept. of Black studies, PROFESSOR SETHARD FISHER, Dept. of Sociology, PROFESSOR RICHARD FLACKS, Dept. of Sociology, PROFESSOR MARIO T. GARCIA, Dept. of History and Chicano Studies,

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Editor, Daily Nexus:

The reported attitude of Dr. Larry Iannaccone regarding the candidacy of Dr. Eugene Garcia to replace Chancellor Barbara Uehling is lamentable, especially since I always thought that as chair of the Academic Senate he represented the best at UCSB. Instead, Iannaccone proves that Mexicanphobia is indeed rampant at the former normal school.

First, Iannaccone's attempt to prejudice the review process is unethical to say the least. His reference to UCSB being used as a "political token" verges on racism and sexism, building on the growing backlash to the goal of diversity in academe. One would think that in fairness to Eugene Garcia, Iannaccone would allow him to be evaluated by peers instead of being torpedoed in the press.

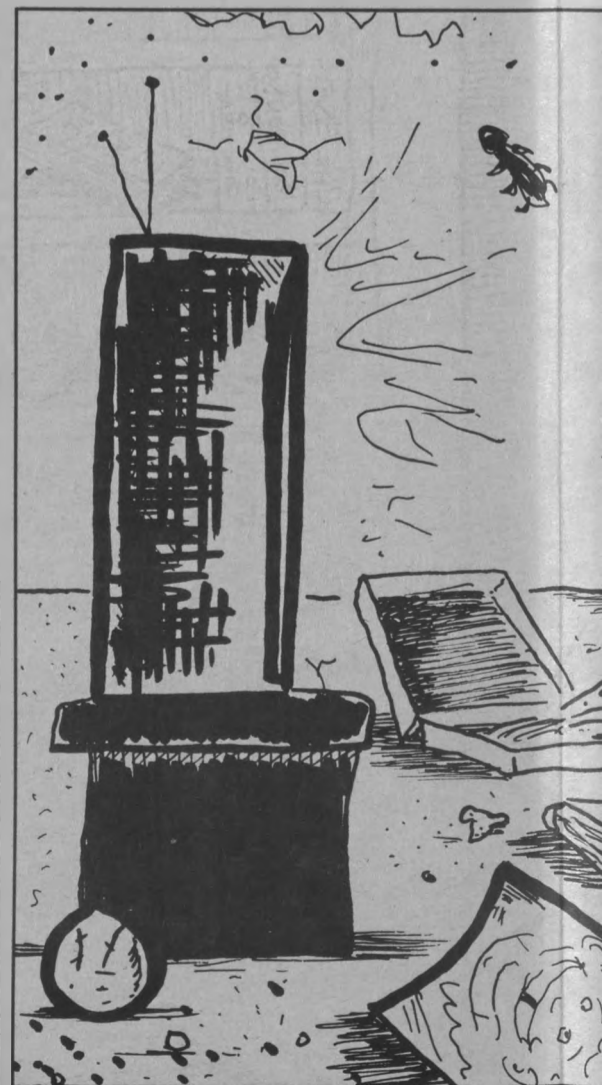
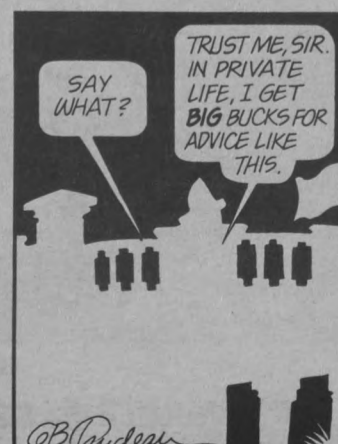
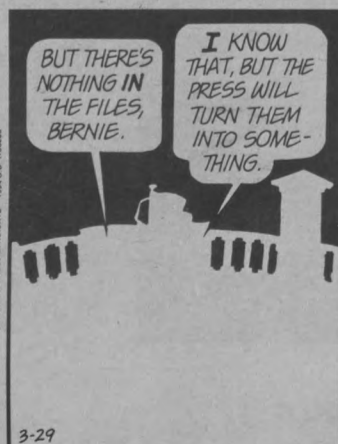
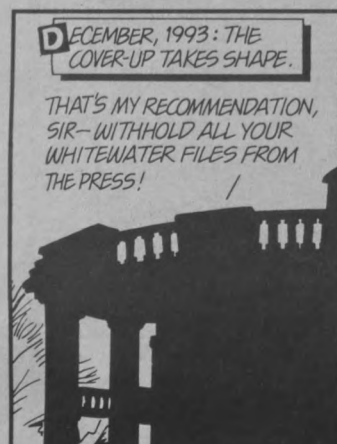
Second, raising the spectre of Barbara Uehling and the late UC Riverside Chancellor Rosemary Schraer is a cheap shot. I am no fan of Uehling, but she does not deserve to be singled out for a lack of leadership because she is a woman. In my lifetime, I have met at least a half dozen white male UC chancellors, and none of them were intellectuals. It is peculiar that the Iannaccones don't generalize the failures of these white chancellors to all white male candidates.

Third, Iannaccone's attributing Garcia's candidacy to my lawsuit is bizarre. Quite frankly, I don't know Mr. Garcia, and I did not bring the suit to make him chancellor. The Iannaccone statement, however, reflects the attitude of the ad hoc committee that reviewed me when the members stated that all Chicano professors were my "political cronies." This sentiment is reinforced by Mr. Iannaccone's statement, "You might as well turn the position over to Rudy."

RODOLFO F. ACUNA, Ph.D.

Doonesbury

BY GARRY TRUDEAU



...ds a Sense of Purpose Amidst Urban Despair

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every person in those restaurants, cafés and movie houses was looking for an escape or something that would give them a sense of security for the moment. It is my belief that we were all looking for the same thing to connect, and yet, we were passing each other like trains in the wee hours of the night.

Like I said, I became impatient with the night life in the city; the driving back and forth across town became mundane and trite. I was not making any connections. Sometimes I wonder if I ever experienced any real happiness in those past six years. I do know that in those several years I never met anyone I could sustain a long-lasting relationship with; not until the summer of 1990.

I needed a relationship, comfort and solitude; but the city was much too hard to provide it. So that evening I stayed in and decided to do what I did best when I felt the walls of fear and frustration were closing in on me: I read a book. I had decided to finish reading Thomas Wolfe's *The Web and The Rock*. As I was reading the book, I came across a passage where Wolfe was describing the dismal and desperate plight of young men living alone in the city; the pain and suffering that they had to endure in order to find order and space in their spaceless and disordered lives. It was in this book where he began to describe my rented grim apartment room, and my feelings and thoughts. He saw the colorless walls, art pictures, bookshelves and the stacks of books lying and sitting everywhere in my wretched room.

I could not believe a man who had been dead for so long could describe my little colorless masked cell. For the first time in the city I had made a real connection with a spirit. Someone who knew my struggles, insecurities, fears, loneliness and the difficulties of finding a place to fit. Thomas Wolfe knew I was like most young men in the city who were alone; we spent most of our naked and dismal lives in and out of grim rented rooms; I knew it was only a masked cell to hide in when the city became mean, and the people uncaring.

I must say, perhaps for the first time I was beginning to experience a glimpse of feeling wanted and understood. It took an old hero like Thomas Wolfe, who is six feet under the ground, to help create that small window view of possibility. I remember reading what the poet Stanley Kunitz once said: "Old myths, old gods, old heroes have never died. They are only sleeping at the bottom of our mind, waiting for our call." I needed someone to help me rediscover my courage, compassion and vision. It was imperative for me to know what was my whole purpose living in the city. I had begun to ask myself many times, "Where shall I go, what shall I do, and why am I here?" You know once one begins to ask themselves such questions, then the feeling of being alone and loneliness comes into view more clearly.

While reading *The Web and The Rock*, I began to sense some strange force taking over me. It was a feeling that I had never experienced before; I felt really uncomfortable. I cannot explain how this strange feeling occurred, but suddenly, while reading, I found myself glancing over the top of the book at my maple-colored IBM typewriter sitting against the colorless walls in my room collecting dust.

I put the book down on my bed and walked slowly over to my typewriter and sat down. But I didn't know why. After 15 minutes of contemplating why I sat down and what I would write about, I began to play with the keys. While pecking at the keys, I thought of an essay that I might try to write. My first essay I thought would be written on a racial issue, because I was more familiar with those kinds of subjects.

In the beginning, I felt real uncomfortable and scared, because it was the first time I was putting myself on paper with words. I was giving people a window view of my personal self; this meant I would be putting myself in a position to be scorned and criticized. I felt naked.

I had no idea that writing was one of those tools that could strip away layers of hidden selves; I was not aware that writing could carve, mend and break down the differences between myths and reality. Slowly, I kept pecking away one word at a time, even though I was nervous. Every time I typed one word, I could feel in my guts the butterflies flopping around. I had no clue that I was taking on one of the most arduous and creative ventures that I have ever had to face.

Although I was extremely uncomfortable with writing, nothing could stop me. It was clear that I had to find a way to deal with my loneliness and being alone in the city. I had to find a way to cope with the barriers, myths, false images and boundaries of the city. For the first time in years I had finally found something that gave me a sense of purpose and self. I found myself not anxious to roam the streets of the city; I was not in a hurry to sit amongst the massive and inimical crowds in the restaurants and cafés.

For the first time I had a creative connection that was stronger than all the forces of the city. At one time, the forces of the night life in the city had a strong grip on me; when I began to write, the grip eased. I finally found a place of solace.

Although I had accomplished one of my goals, I still felt empty, and I knew there was more to life than what I

had set out to achieve. Writing had helped me strip away some of the confusion I was experiencing. Before, I had no way of articulating what I wanted and what I was all about. Through writing I had more reasons to live, rather than exist; and a much clearer view of life and my surroundings. Like Victor Frankl once said in his book *Man's Search For Meaning*, "Now that we have the means to live by, we must now find the means to live for." Lawd knows! I found such meaning.

It was two months later when I finished the piece and it was published by a university paper. Suddenly, I felt redeemed and free; it was as though I had been released from a certain amount of bondage. I had learned that writing was fighting. For six whole years I had spent much of my time searching, seeking and carving my way through the massive crowds of the city looking for myself. I was a lost soul! I was like most young men in the city trapped in a hostile environment, alone and sometimes afraid. And yet, I held on because I knew there was a light at the end of the tunnel.

Finally, after all the miserable and turbulent moments of seeking, searching, confusion, being an idiot and sometimes foolish, I left the city for good at the end of the summer. For several years I had stumbled and tripped like a baby sheep looking to be nurtured. Guess what? I left the city with my head up, not as a lost young man, but as a young man who became a writer. Believe me, it was through this arduous and creative venture that I was able to define and redefine my brooding predicament, and discover that I did have a sense of purpose.

Charles DeFlanders is a UCSB alumnus.



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HOSTAGE

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strategic locations around
the apartment building as
the standoff began.

Officials eventually dis-
covered that the man was
heavily armed with two
handguns and three rifles.
One of the rifles was iden-
tified as a .30 caliber big-

game hunting rifle that
could pose a serious threat
to neighboring buildings.

Though hostage nego-
tiators contacted the sus-
pect and tried for several
hours to resolve the situa-
tion peacefully, communi-
cation eventually broke
down and the man appa-
rently ripped his phone
out of the wall, Thayer
said. Late in the evening

GTE workers were at-
tempting to re-establish a
connection, but if that
failed, police officers
planned to provide the
man with a portable
phone, he added.

Neighbors initially
found themselves caught
in the middle of a poten-
tially explosive situation.
The family that lives in the
unit adjacent to the sus-

pects were stuck inside
their home until officers
deemed it safe to evacuate
them.

"We were outside. [The
officers] told us to get in-
side and get on the floor,"
said the family's mother,
who identified herself only
as Julie. "We watch '[Res-
cue] 911' and [my child-
ren] go, 'Oh, my God,' and
now for it to really happen
right here."

Santa Barbara City Col-
lege student Shaw Allen
encountered the man be-
tween noon and 1 p.m.
while walking down Bath
Street with a group of
friends.

"He was sitting there,
and then he yelled some-
thing at us," Allen said.
"He waved a gun in the air
and we ran in and called
911."

Residents of the next-
door apartment found
their homes comman-
deered by S.W.A.T. offi-
cers who stationed them-
selves on ledges and in
rooms with strategic views
of the suspect's enclave.

As night fell, police had
power to the buildings and
street lights surrounding
the hostage area shut off to
provide their officers with
needed cover.

YANG

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ing even while being an ad-
ministrator. He's taught
every semester he's been in
administration."

Students and staff
echoed support for Yang's
educational work. Com-
munication major Da-
nielle Finkel believes in-
struction balances out ad-
ministrative work, and
said Yang's efforts in both
fields will be beneficial to
the university.

"It's good that he's
teaching. Administrators
should teach, not just sit in

the office," Finkel said.

Davidson Library Ar-
chives staff member De-
borah Kennedy said she
would temper her support
until Yang takes office. "I
like the fact that he is a
scholar and a teacher. He
sounds good, but I'll wait
and see."

Yang's work ethic was
also praised by search
committee members who
interviewed candidates
before forwarding their re-
commendation to UC
President Jack Peltason,
who appointed Yang.

Graduate Students
Assn. Internal Vice Presi-
dent Marisela Marquez,
who sat on the search
committee, was impressed
with Yang's dedication to
his undertakings. "If he is a
part of something, he is in
for 100% of it," she said.

Associated Students
President Geoff Green,
who also served on the
search committee, sees
Yang's thorough work
style as one of the admini-
strator's key qualities.

"He doesn't do all the
details of the job because
he has to, he does it be-
cause he wants to," Green
said.

According to Abbott,
Yang solicits staff input
before executing admini-
strative decisions. "He's
highly consultative. In
some instances he went
way beyond what was
needed," he said.

Vice Chancellor for Ad-
ministrative Services Da-
vid Sheldon said he looks
forward to working with
the new chancellor and
believes one of Yang's key
jobs will be to foster com-
munication within the
administration.

"I expect that he will ad-
dress how he wants to
work with the vice
chancellors and admini-
strators at UCSB and talk
about that with an open
mind," Sheldon said.

In the course of the
search process, members
of the humanities disci-
pline expressed concern
that a chancellor with a
background in the hard
sciences would be unre-
sponsive to their needs.
But Assistant English Pro-
fessor Christopher New-
field said he has been as-
sured that Yang is com-
mitted to helping the
humanities.

"I'm assuming and have
also been told that being a
member of a particular
field does not affect his re-
lation with other fields,"
he said.

Newfield said the selec-
tion of the new chancellor
will end a feeling of rud-
derlessness in the depart-
ment that began when Ue-
hling announced her resig-
nation last April.

"Things have been in
such transitional disarray
that it will be nice to have
this over with," he said.

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ELLWOOD

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 "I think the whole spill has been blown out of proportion by the media," he said. "It was pretty minor."

Greg Helms, Environmental Defense Center development coordinator, believes the recent event illustrates the petroleum industry's callousness toward the environment. "The pipeline broke, and various parts of the ecosystem suffered. You're sort of left wondering if the oil companies can safely get oil," he said. The late release of information regarding the spill

resulted in a negative community reaction, according to Clarke, who is unsure if the situation will affect Mobil's proposed onshore drilling facility near UCSB's west campus.

"We got dinged for not notifying the public right away, but we'll try to do better next time," Clarke said. "It's easier to control or contain an onshore spill."

Mobil will not be penalized because of the nature of the leak, said Curt Batson, County Environmental Health division manager. "It is crude oil, a light oil—as such there are specific exemptions in state law, so it's not considered hazardous waste," he said.

BUILD

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 patting is earmarked for equipment, and a failure to obtain these funds will not hinder the facility's completion, Levy said.

"All funding for construction is in hand," she

said.

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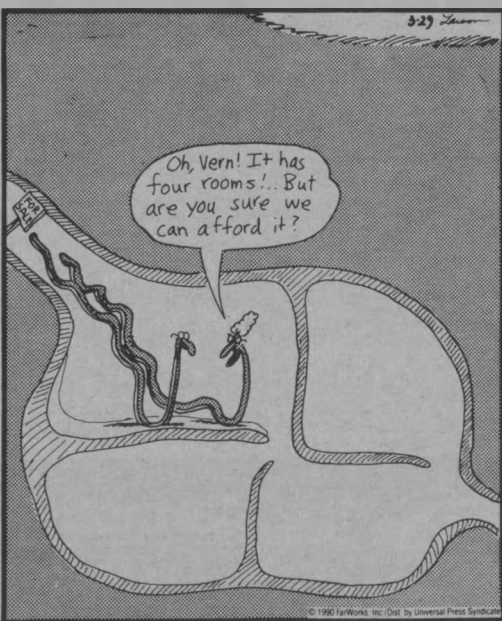
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ANDY PHARO



by Andre Fairon

TENNIS

match was already in the bag.

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UCSB did have a tougher time in doubles as two of the three matches went to three sets, but perhaps the players got a little lax knowing that the match was already in the bag. During Dead Week UC Irvine came up for a visit, but the Gauchos were not very gracious hosts. Santa Barbara won, 9-0, and didn't lose a set in any match.

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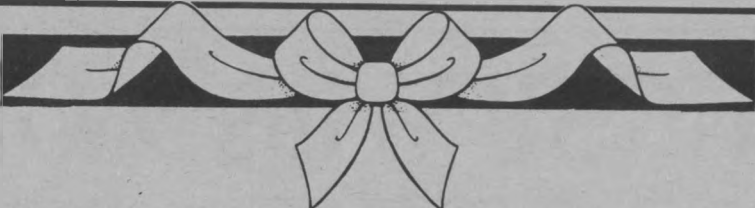
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UCSB Wins 9 Out of 10

By Curtis Kaiser
Staff Writer

When we last left the UCSB baseball team, they were in a sorry state. The Gauchos had lost a tough three-game series against Cal State Northridge and seen their record fall to 4-16.

Since that time, they have won nine of their last 10 games, taking three from the University of Hartford, two out of three from the University of Hawaii-Hilo, one from Westmont College, and three in a row from New Mexico State. Santa Barbara has brought its record to 13-17 overall and 3-0 in Big West conference play.

"I've been telling the guys all year long, when we were struggling and not playing well, that what will really count is where we are when we start conference," UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema said. "This past weekend we played outstanding. It was as well as we've played all year in all facets of the game: pitching, defense, hitting, enthusiasm and determination."

The UCSB bats have been hot of late, scoring 26 runs in the Hartford series, 11 runs against Westmont, 22 against Hawaii and 33 against New Mexico State. The team is getting production out of every spot in the order, raising the team batting average to .274.

Right fielder Wynter Phoenix has been on fire, raising his average by nearly 100 points over the last 10 games to .318, with an impressive on-base percentage of .421. Phoenix was hot in the weekend sweep of the Aggies, and is currently batting .636 in Big West play.

Doug Smaldino, Matt Bokemeier, Jared Janke, Matt Bazzani, Dave Willis, Peter Muro and Chris Prince have also been swinging the bat well.

"People are just getting the job done," Willis said. "We've always scored a lot of runs; now our pitching and defense have turned it up a notch in time for conference."

Friday's game against New Mexico State featured a bench-clearing brawl that Willis credited as the spark the team used to fire up their intensity in the series. After catcher Matt Bazzani tagged a runner a little too roughly for the Aggies' tastes, both dugouts emptied and punches were thrown. Several players were ejected.

Although Santa Barbara's hitting has been impressive, the team's turnaround can be credited to improved pitching. In their last 10 games, the UCSB pitching staff has limited its opponents to two runs or less in four games, with two of those games being shutouts.

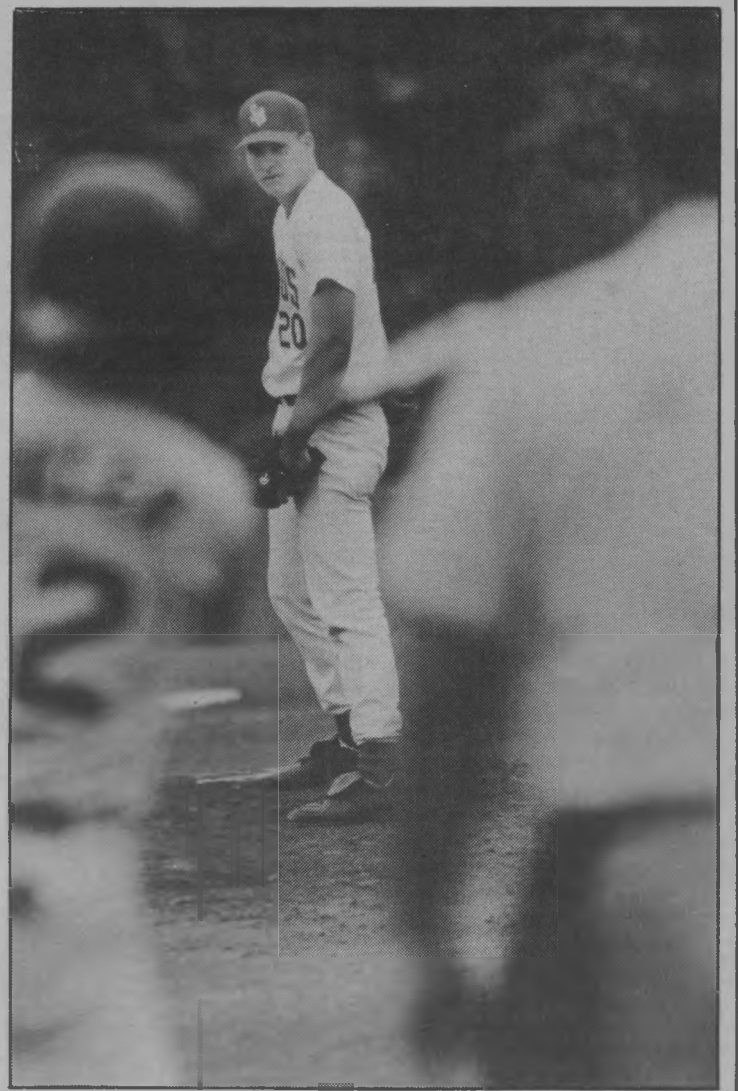
"The whole pitching staff has come together," Brontsema said. "We knew that they were capable of doing what they've done in the last couple of weeks."

Pat Treend has led the Gaucho pitching resurgence, with complete game victories against Hartford and New Mexico State. Others who have pitched well for the Gauchos include Janke, Steve Lane, Steve Cain, John Bretza, John Minton and Ryan O'Coyle.

"It's just a matter of being consistent with it [pitching] now," Brontsema said. "Hopefully their confidence is at a level where they know that they can do these things day in and day out."

"I'm very pleased with the pitchers," Willis said. "They're starting to come around and pitch strikes and work their way out of tough situations."

The Gauchos hit the road on Thursday to take on the #1-ranked Cal State Fullerton Titans.



RACHEL WEILL/Daily Nexus

Gauchos pitchers have finally started to focus this season.

Tennis Tuesday: The Net Results From Spring Break



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Lynn Coakley reaches for the backhand as she was able to win a close three-setter.

Gauchos Play Red Hot, Down the Crimson

By Michael Cadilli
Staff Writer

The #19-ranked UCSB women's tennis team has definitely heated up like the weather.

The Gauchos have won 22 of their last 27 matches — including overpowering wins over Harvard, Boise State and Irvine in their past three competitions.

"I'm very happy right now; we're on the right track," UCSB Head Coach Chris Russell said. "We've stepped up and we are ready to play."

Santa Barbara (10-2 overall, 3-0 in the Big West) was ready to play yesterday as it defeated Harvard, 6-3, at home in impressive style.

UCSB's #1 singles player Jean Okada (#25-ranked nationally) lost to Jill Brennan, who is #33 in the nation, 7-6, 6-2.

"She played really well. Neither of us played badly but it came down to who played better," Brennan said. "She was up 3-1 in the first set, and when I got it back to 3-3, I felt I had the momentum."

At #2 singles, Lynn Coakley pulled out a tough

three-set match against Gina Majunlar, 6-1, 1-6, 7-5. In the #3 slot, Laura Rutledge rolled over Maryla Madnoa, 6-3, 6-2, while UCSB's #4 player Kathy Peterson downed Kelly Granat in straight sets, 6-2, 6-4.

"I feel like I'm playing pretty well," Peterson said. "I was putting it away and having short points."

Gauchos Amelia White lost a close match to Kate Roiter in the #5 slot, 6-4, 6-4, and UCSB's Kelly Spencer beat Kendra Harris, 7-6, 6-2, in the #6 spot.

The Gauchos took two of three in the doubles competition, showing the Crimson that they deserve their ranking.

"This is a good team, solid from top to bottom," Harvard Head Coach Gordon Graham said.

UCSB downed Boise State, 7-2, on Sunday at the Santa Barbara Polo and Racquet Club, and actually won the match without needing the doubles points to do it. The Gauchos won five singles matches (1 through 5), and the one loss was a three-setter that Spencer let get away.

Netters Battle Fatigue and Injuries but Manage to Get a Top-50 Ranking Anyway

By Chris Ganci
Staff Writer

The last three weeks for the UCSB men's tennis team have had as many ups, downs, twists and turns as a Six Flags roller coaster.

The Gauchos have dented the top 50 in the national rankings and had one player compete in the Davis Cup, while other players coped with fatigue and injuries.

When the dust settled over this chaotic phase of their season, the Gauchos were, as the saying goes, "bloodied but unbowed," with a 7-9 record and the #49 ranking in the country.

It all started at the 16-team H.E.B. Tournament in Corpus Christi, Texas, on March 4, when the Gauchos lost to undefeated and #23-ranked Texas A&M, 5-2.

"We played a very flat match," UCSB Head Coach Don Lowry said. "But the conditions were rough and it was the first day out there."

The loss to the Aggies dropped UCSB into the back draw, where to their credit they played excellent tennis, defeating quality opponents South Florida (4-3) and Indiana (6-1). The two wins were enough to give the Gauchos a top-10 finish in the tournament.

"The team really started to peak and play good tennis," Lowry added.

Academics took a toll on the Gauchos when they returned home for two matches during finals week. Against UC Irvine March 12, UCSB lost a couple of tight matches and, in what Lowry described as a "tired effort," were defeated, 6-1. Later in the

week, UCSB lost to Princeton, 5-2.

"It's tough to concentrate on the match when you have a final an hour afterward," UCSB freshman Eddie Weiss said.

The Princeton match will not only be remembered as a difficult loss, but also as the beginning of the depletion of UCSB's lineup. Jeff Spalinger turned an ankle in the match, Joe Barbarie left the team for personal reasons (he has since returned) and UCSB's #1 player, Laszlo Markovits, was busy playing Davis Cup for the Hungarian team. Although the experience was great for Markovits, it came at a bad time for UCSB because of all the injuries.

A tired and patchwork Gaucho lineup flew to Boise, Idaho, to play three matches on March 19-21. UCSB lost the opening two matches to Boise State (6-1) and Texas Tech (4-3) before salvaging the weekend with a 4-3 triumph over Iowa, who was ranked in the top 30 in the country.

In the Boise State match the injuries mounted as Dean Steinbeck hurt a shoulder. However, there were some positives that came out during the trip. The doubles tandem of Darren Potkey and Simon Kurth surprised the #29 team in the country, Texas Tech's Rosalio Guerrero and Clint Graf, with a 9-7 win.

Weiss continued his tremendous freshman year, winning all three matches at #4 singles, raising his season record to 13-3.

"I have a lot of confidence right now," Weiss said. "I just tried to remain aggressive and play my game."

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