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## Censorship Charged

### Was Latino Paper Suppressed?

By Ralph Vonder Haar

Top Canada administrators prohibited publication of, and then withdrew funds from Amanecer, a Latino newsletter, because they objected to its contents, Amanecer's editors charged.

Alejandro Alvarez and Maria Teresa Pfau intended to print letters and articles complaining about the lack of classroom space for Latinos and the absence of a bilingual person in the Financial Aid Center.

Josue Hoyos, former Dean of Students, upon reading the original copy, allegedly refused to sign the necessary papers, thereby preventing printing of the newsletter. The editors maintain that after numerous outraged voices were raised, Hoyos and Canada's President Ferguson decided to allow Amanecer to be printed but would not pay for the



Photo by Ralph Vonder Haar

Amanecer's editors Alejandro Alvarez and Maria Teresa Pfau.

publication with the usual source of money—the Dean of Student's fund.

Ferguson told the editors to go to the Humanities Division, where money would be made available to them. Once they arrived there, division director John Friesen said

he did not know anything about the situation and would have to talk with Ferguson about it before they could proceed further.

A week passed and money for Amanecer still had not arrived. Alvarez and Pfau decided to use funds from LASA (Latin American Student Association), a student club. "About \$60" had to be taken from the funds which are usually used only for emergency loans and the sponsoring of cultural events, Pfau said.

Pat Hanada, who runs Central Duplicating where Amanecer is printed said that Ella Turner Gray, Head of Special Services, and Virginia Villarreal, a counselor for the Excel program had approved publication.

Hoyos is currently taking an administrative leave to work on his Doctorate at U. C. Berkeley, and was unavailable for comment. Some people have speculated that the Amanecer controversy may have been a contributing factor in his decision to temporarily leave Canada College.

Ferguson, along with Sylvia Padillo, who is no longer at Canada, started the newsletter two years ago. The president contends that the new people running Amanecer don't understand its purpose, or why it was originated. The newsletter, he explained, was started as an "instructional tool" in the English Institute to give students more incentive to write. It was never intended, he stressed, as a journalistic endeavor for political uses in a student club.

Ferguson claims the money for Amanecer was supposed to be temporary and usually came from the Dean of Instruction. He also expressed exasperation that the editors wished to publish problems after they had been solved. Ferguson states that a part-time bilingual person has been working in the Financial Aid Center since December and that Ferguson himself walked around campus and "chewed a little ass" to get more classroom space. Still, the complaints were published. Ferguson complained of the amount of attention the editors

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## Marchi Takes Over As Dean Of Students



Photo by Ralph Vonder Haar

Joe Marchi, Canada's Director of Counseling, is filling in as Dean of Students for the spring semester, while Josue Hoyos is on leave to work toward his Doctorate at UC-Berkeley.

## Black History Week



The Black Family is the theme for Black History Month, which is being celebrated during February. Canada will commemorate the occasion February 25 to 29. For more photos and a look at events coming up on campus, see Page 4.

## President on Radio

By Miki Nakanishi

Canada College President, Dr. Samuel Ferguson, will be heard this weekend on radio.

Joining Dr. Ferguson in the discussion of the role of the community college in the 1980's will be Richard Yeo, Chabot College Dean of Instruction and Murguia Theodore, President of San Jose City College.

The program is entitled "Future of Community Colleges." The speakers will discuss how Howard Jarvis's Proposition 9 will effect community colleges financially. Proposition 9 would cut the state income tax in half.

The show will be aired on Saturday, Feb. 23 at 6 a.m. on KYUU, 99.7 F.M., and the following day at 8 p.m. on KNBR. Both will be 30 minute programs.

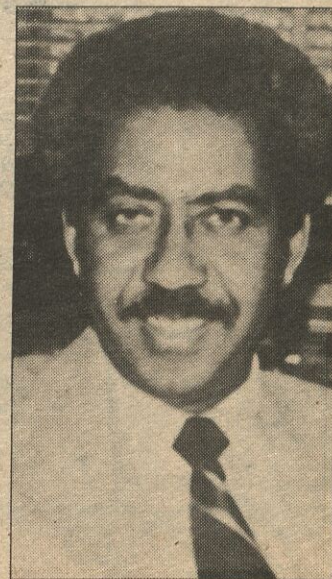


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Dr. Samuel Ferguson



# VOICES

From the editor

## Thoughts About Draft Registration

On February 8, 1980, President Carter proposed to Congress that draft registration be reinstated "partly as a response to the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan," according to press reports.

Carter's chief domestic policy adviser, Stuart E. Eizenstat, was quoted as saying the renewal of registration, "will send a strong message to the Soviet Union that this country is resolved to do what is necessary in the long run to meet its aggression."

Although it has been denied countless times, many people feel it will not be long before the government will be calling for actual conscription.

Opposition to the draft is widespread and emotions are running high. No one wants another war, particularly another Vietnam. Americans are just not willing to be herded off somewhere to fight and possibly die, without knowing the motives behind that fight.

It may be that military forces are a necessary evil in today's world, however there must be a sense of commitment, a knowledge of just what is at stake before a country risks its most important resource—its youth.

There may be a very real necessity to reinstate registration at this point, however there has been no

verbalization forthcoming other than that "strong message" to the Soviet Union. Carter has not set out any specifics, and his silence is leading to dangerous speculation, conjecture and thinly disguised panic—a kind of a "war fever."

Not enough is known about exactly what our military needs are and what it would take to meet them.

It is difficult to believe, based on conversations and observations, that any of the men or women who will be affected by the draft would shirk any responsibility to their country, should the need arise.

It is not a case, as some would have it, of courage versus cowardice on the part of the nation's young people to oppose the draft. It is a reasonable reaction to what has gone before and a natural desire to know the full facts of a situation that could be a matter of life and death. It also reflects what most of us want most of all—peace.

It seems unlikely at this time that the proposal for draft registration will be defeated.

We would urge, however, before any action is taken to disrupt the lives of young Americans, that Mr. Carter, rather than sending "strong messages" to the Soviets address himself to the task of directing truly informative messages to the American people.

## There Are Letters—And Letters

by Phillis Olson

Have you ever read a controversial article in the Op Ed section of the Chrony? Or maybe you saw a particularly volatile Phil Donahue show and you thought, "Why that lousy so and so, who does he think he is? I ought to write him a letter and tell him exactly what I think." So you rush to your typewriter and tack out a string of obscenities and just as you're licking the envelope shut, your passion wanes and you think, "well, maybe I'll mail it tomorrow," and the letter sits and gathers dust for six months. Then one day you come across it again by chance and you laugh at the memory of the emotion you felt when you wrote it and after your

good laugh you dump it in the trash. That is the letter that never gets sent.

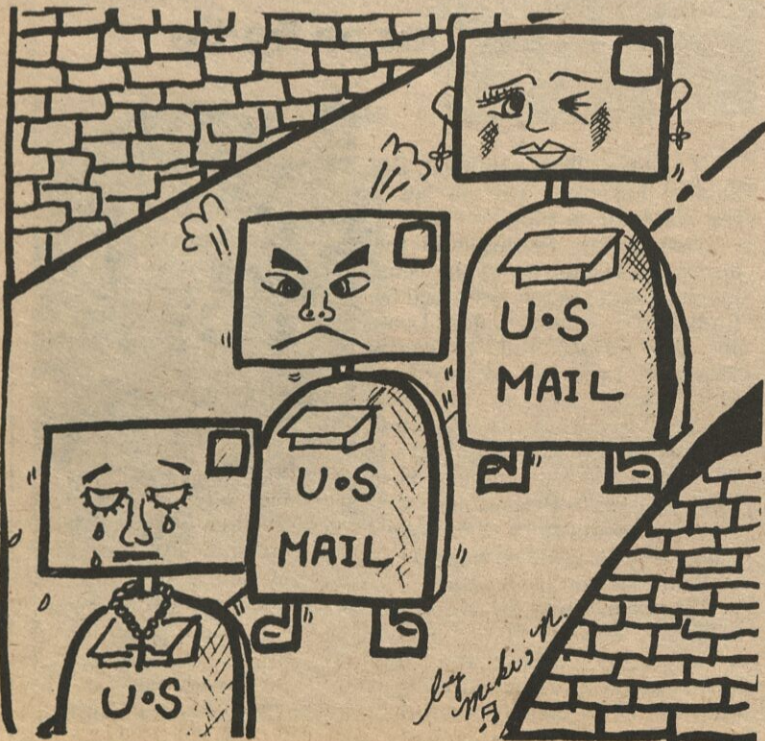
Letters, mailed or not, seem to fall into three categories: requests, complaints, and desires. Let's discuss request letters. Typically it is the mail order request that is usually written for you, all you have to do is fill in the appropriate blanks with your name and identifying numbers. They usually read as follows: "Please send me—number of this product. Enclosed is my entire life savings, and I will allow thirty-six months for delivery. (Often the choice of having the product sent C.O.D. is offered at double the original price.) Sometimes they even thank themselves for you.

Atypically is a letter you may

send to the Internal Revenue Service: "Dear Sir or Madam: I beg of you, please...It had completely slipped my mind that I still owed you \$2500.00 from two years ago...please, I beg of you, most sincerely..."

Complaint letters are often well-written as usually a great deal of feeling is invoked in the author of such a composition. There is the repressed anger letter: "Dear Sir: Why was this very expensive antique Ming vase sent to me in a trillion pieces? I had no idea it was supposed to be a jigsaw puzzle." Unrepressed anger letters use a lot of exclamation points: "You crazy idiots!!!!...You'd better get off your asses!!!!...or else I'll see you in court!!!! P.S. I have a great lawyer!!

Letters of desire are the ones you will see in Penthouse Forum. They inevitably begin with: "I have read Forum for years and I never really believed any of these letters until..." and the reader is then ensnared in the sexual atrocities of the most amazing beings, not necessarily humans that ever lived; Frazetta figures who never tire, they go for hours, days, in trees, in Austin mini-Coopers, with incredible props like Sunbeam mixers and piano strings. Ultimately their zenith is "crashing," "earthquaking," "like I never had before and will never have again!" The one letter I read in such a publication which I might attest to its veracity was from a guy who got kicked in the stomach for fooling around with another man's woman. I sensed sincerity there somewhere.



# coat & tie

## Our Endangered Politicians

by Dr. Frank Fahey

If not quite an endangered species, professional politicians in the United States are under a cloud. Voting during the past decade has decreased alarmingly. Some of the reasons for this contempt for office-seekers are obvious and well grounded—numerous revelations of bribe taking and other misconduct, a tendency to evade real solutions for such crucial issues as energy and inflation and massive deceptions of voters during campaigns. However, a little reflection may lessen some of the villainy ascribable to public servants.

Payola is widely prevalent in private industry as well as in public life, and woman-chasing has always been a favorite sport among a large segment of the married males. But office-holders live in gold fish bowls. In areas of policy, complications arise from the presence in our republic of about 220 million persons a mosaic of overlapping and often conflicting backgrounds and wants. Under such circumstances, general interest is often hard to recognize, let alone represent. And though money may be the "mother's milk" of politics, an aroused majority may furnish officialdom an even headier brew. If the Vietnam War and the Watergate conspirators proved vincible, why must potential victims of shooting, quail before the lobbies of the American Rifle Association?

Concerning the campaign tactics of office-seekers in their sometimes fatuous and other times vicious rivalries with one another, both condemnation and compassion are in order. Notoriously, Jimmy Carter is blending his dignified and delicate handling of a genuine crisis with a substantial quotient of "peanut politics", campaigning in the White House or at Camp David against the Soviet Union while making back-room calls to the boondocks in favor of his reelection. Being presidential at the expense of political rivals though, is an old story in our history. In his three campaigns for reelection as President, Franklin D. Roosevelt gained the recognition vote by failing to mention his Republican opponents by name, and Eisenhower and Nixon followed suit during their re-election campaigns. Incumbents lean to the psychology of the old-time circus promoter, P.T. Barnum; "Never give a sucker (read political rival) an even break!"

But, what about the oft noted tendency of candidates to be all things to all people in dealing with voters of promising more than they can or should deliver, in short, the whole bag of "the politics of expediency?" Here censure should be tempered with a recognition that every occupation is afflicted with typical vices stemming from special circumstances. Profit-seeking verges imperceptibly into greed, socialist administrators achieve equalitarian objectives with tyrannical tools, and educators rapidly acquire an aura of omniscience. The engineering of a political majority correspondingly encourages a flexible conscience among office-seekers dealing with many splintered constituencies. Flexibility nonetheless has its necessary limits, even in politics. One shift that should lie beyond the confines of tolerance is the slogan: "Vote for X; he is not a professional politician." In truth, an office seeking the man or woman is an extremely rare occurrence, and politics in any event is too serious to leave to amateurs.

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# State Boost For Community Colleges

by Ruben Herrera

Five hundred million dollars is being distributed by the state to help relieve struggling community college districts this year because of a law enacted last year.

Assembly Bill 8, which survived both floors in the California Legislature as well as the governor's desk, is the law that puts this spending into effect, spending that was cut after proposition 13's passage in 1978.

AB8 sets the 1977-78 year as a base, or model, and figures inflation costs in determining how much college districts will need. It tends to equalize the amount of money each district spends per student.

Before proposition 13, four-fifths of Canada's income came from local tax revenues. One-fifth

now comes from local taxes, the rest from the state. However, since Canada is in the San Mateo College district, a relatively wealthy district, receiving high property revenues and paying high wages and salaries, Canada won't realize too much of the half-billion-dollar amount AB8 provides.

Increases and decreases in enrollment also becomes a factor in determining college allocations. If Canada's enrollment shows a change this year, it's a decline, meaning less students will bring less revenue.

With an increase of five or six percent in financing to offset inflation, Director of Administrative Service at Canada, John Rhoads says there is an inflation rate near 15 percent and there will be a need for more money and careful spending.

# CSM Child Care Plans Approved

by Stephen O'Mara

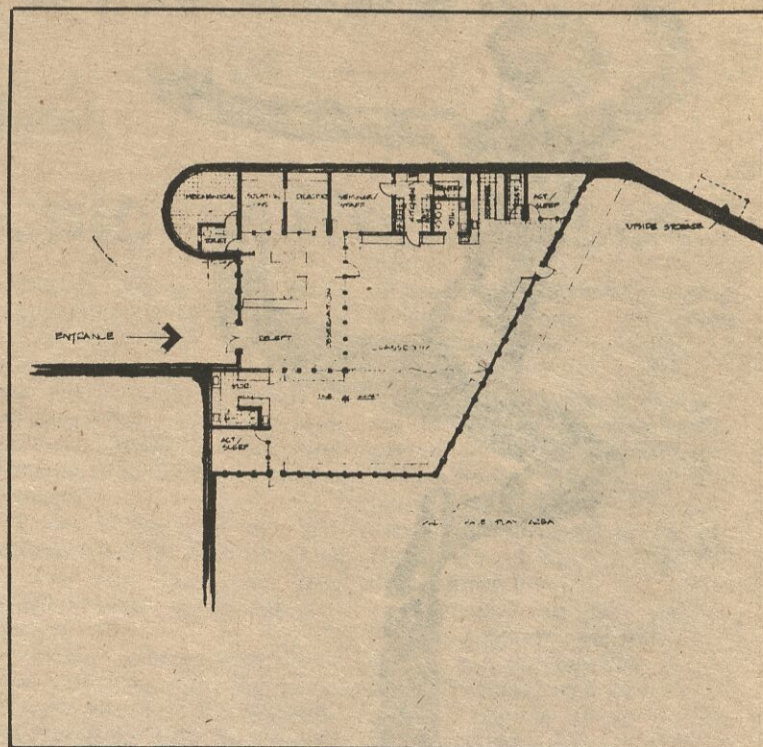
Structural plans for the Mary Lazarus Child Care Center at the College of San Mateo have been approved by a district steering committee. The ecologically sound 5,000 square foot center is planned for completion in the Fall of 1981.

Set into an appealing grass covered hill on the northeast side of the CSM campus, the center will have an energy efficient southwest exposure generously utilizing thermal glass, providing a well lit and unique environment for child and infant care accommodating 50.

The child care center will "allow a lot of flexibility," for programs and mixed age groups, said Diane Eyer, a Canada early childhood education instructor and member of the 12 member steering committee responsible for planning the Center.

Eyer indicated the center was still in the early stages of program planning although the structure has been approved and bids are being sought by the district to begin building.

Among numerous questions still to be answered are the costs, unit requirements of parents expected to enroll their children and the limitations of who may enroll if



Blueprint for the proposed child care center.

other than just CSM students.

The Mary Lazarus Child Care Center is a result of a \$500,000 gift given to CSM by the family of deceased CSM art student and re-

entry woman, Mary Lazarus. The gift was received enthusiastically, although under fire of questions, Oct. 10 by the district board of trustees.

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# Microwave Superstar At Canada

by Phillis Olson

"The first night she showed us a fruit cheesecake and tonight we're learning vichyssoise," Gloria Herrington, one of the sixty-some odd students in Phe Laws Microwave cooking class explained to me last Tuesday night as I waited for the crowd gathered round the instructress to dissipate.

She was autographing her new book, *International gourmet Cooking with Microwave*, which apparently was making great waves (excuse me, I couldn't resist) with her students.

As I waited, Gloria informed me she finds the class very interesting especially since she has had a microwave oven for several months but "I haven't done

anything terrific with it yet because I don't quite know what to do! But I think," she gestured to the classroom text, "I might have found a cauliflower dish and a ham casserole I may try tomorrow!"

When finally the tiny Ms. Laws extricated herself from her fan club she told me that the purpose of this eight week class is to present a very rudimentary course for students to understand a microwave oven; how it works, what they are working with, with respect to radiation, and how each of the four major categories of food are handled in the oven. "This class is more of an overview," said Laws, "a basic, yet a real college credit course for the family cook as well as the student trying to earn a grade and credit."

As for radiation, Ms. Laws was emphatic when she explained, that the radiation emitted from a microwave is non-ionizing that is, "if it gets into your cells it will not ionize any of the cells in the tissues." She added, "This radiation is non-accumulating, cannot cause permanent genetic change and cannot produce cancer under any circumstances."

Laws has been teaching microwave cooking for seven years at various colleges, including San Jose State University, and has given demonstrations at different department stores including the Emporium. She also has written another book, *Vegetable Magic*, which details more specifically the methods of microwaving your veggies.

Following this course, Ms. Laws will teach another, more advanced course in microwave cookery where she will demonstrate how to prepare particular kinds of meats, vegetables, dairy dishes, and grain products.

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# Canada Celebrates Black History Week

by Ruben Herrera

Blacks across the country have chosen February as the month to celebrate historical and cultural events. The Canada Black Student Council has designated next week, February 25-29, as Black History Week on campus, featuring many facets of life relating to blacks as well as whites in America.

A discussion with 49'er coach Bill Matthews on blacks in sports and their problems in the college and professional ranks will initiate Black History Week's observance Monday, February 25th.

Interpretations of the black world of art by noted sculptor, educator and poet Oliver LaGrone will be shown on Tuesday, along with a poetry reading by his daughter, Lotus Johnson.

Chemistry instructor Gene Matthews will host an introduction on blacks in the physical sciences. She is married to coach Matthews.

In addition, on Tuesday, the 40's film "Stormy Weather" with

Lena Horne and Bill "Bojangles" Robinson will be screened. A dance show is also in the planning stage.

The nuclear black family and the inter-racial relationships common to many families will be the topic of a mini-symposium, with Canada counselor Jim Keyes and KPIX newsman Ben Williams at the helm on Thursday evening. A soul family dinner will be held in Canada's "Cantina" prior to the family panel.

Friday, a media seminar featuring KSOL DJ Bill Harris, weekend anchorwoman Dorothy Reed from KGO-TV and possibly other black media personalities is in the works. Black History Week will culminate on the 29th, with film documentaries about the Civil

Rights Movement and an informative program by Jim Keyes dealing with language and the connotations of "black."

Poet LaGrone once said "We have but a brief wink in time to touch. We can either bring love or we can bring another step toward chaos, but we do have a choice." Black History Week may offer more of a glimpse to catch.

In inviting everyone to participate, one of Black History Week's coordinators, Sonia Jackson, said to be on the lookout for more data via flyer, regarding definite times and places.

The student activities office, ext. 623 may also be contacted for further information.



Bronze dancer, above, and bust of George Washington Carver, far right, are the work of Oliver LaGrone. His works will be on display on campus and his daughter will read his poems on Tuesday, Feb. 16. Below, speech instructor Jim Keyes, math instructor Harriet Stevens and student senator Sonia Jackson meet to plan Black History Week events.

## Mardi Gras

Come celebrate "Mardi Gras" in the Main Theater, Feb. 19, Tuesday, from 11 to 12.

The film, "Rio, Samba and Carnival" will be shown, followed by a demonstration of Capoeira, a form of Brazilian martial arts.

The program is being presented by the Associated Students in response to the enthusiasm generated by the successful, "Corpo Santo" event on Feb. 2.



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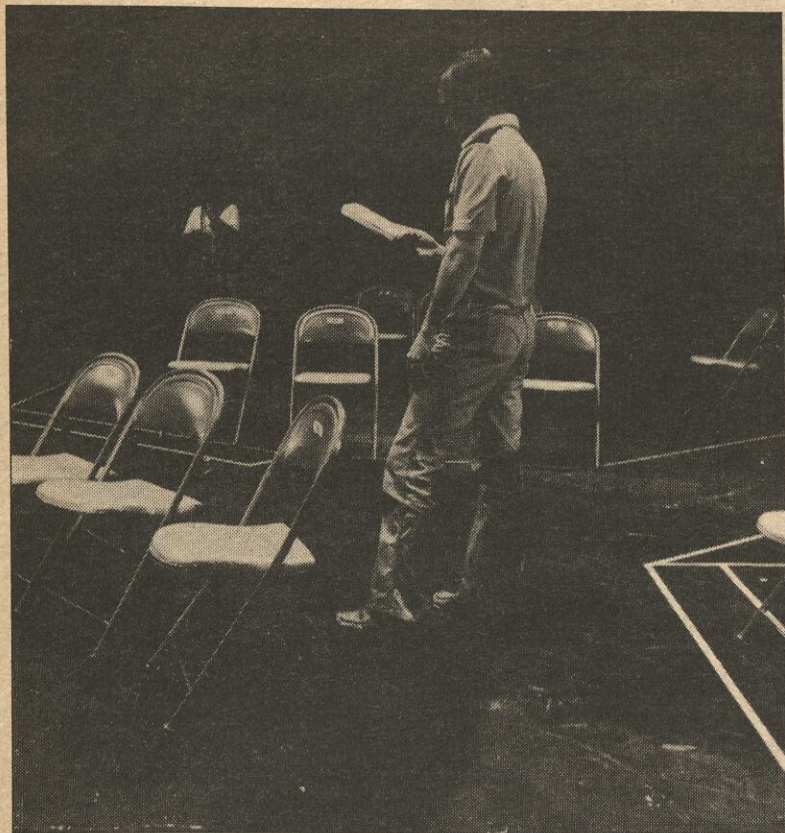
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Mike Chapell practices the role of Alan.



Stage equipment surrounds the actors as they rehearse.

# SPOTLIGHT

## Opening Here In March

### Inge's 'Picnic' In Rehearsal

by Ruben Herrera

It's a small town in Kansas. The time: mid-fifties and life is no spring outing. The life is one of a small town, one that can trap a person. This situation leads us to the fundamental question, what can be done?

Bob Curtis, who is directing Canada's first of three spring theatre presentations, "Picnic," says "most would choose to do the most comfortable thing, stay. A few would leave. I'd get out or stay there to change things."

The play, a Pulitzer Prize winner by William Inge, "relates

to 1980 in general and Canada College in that, in 25 years, people have not changed all that much in substance, but in terms of style. What people do hasn't changed. How people do it has," says Curtis, who has himself written three plays and is currently working on his fourth.

Love, frustration, and self-fulfillment and the style in which we deal with them are more sophisticated, but the substance is the same.

"Picnic" is drama at its best," Curtis adds, "It both teaches us and entertains." Such a dramatic relationship between the people's physical and psychologic environment, he elaborated, the outside world they live in and the inner world they inhabit is most significant.

With very fully-drawn characters and certain universals that are true now as then, "Picnic" appeals to people of a wide age range, according to Curtis, a 12-year faculty member here. "Over

50 people auditioned for this play: mostly students, but some members of the community as well."

The main characters are sisters Madge and Millie Owens, played by Patty Brennan and Joanna Forbes, and Hal, a drifter, played by Vic Prosak. "They are no more important than any other characters in the play, though they do get more focus."

Technical director and set designer Marty Lepisto, says Curtis, has put together a "fine set—functional and artistically sound. Costume designer Sally Shatford's work will contribute to all aspects of the play. Our rehearsal secretary, Mary Purcell, has also been very instrumental.

"I really appreciate the support the Drama Department has received from the entire school and community," Curtis stated. The play will be performed Thursday through Saturday, March 20-22 and Friday and Saturday, the 28th and 29th.



Director Bob Curtis (foreground) watches Julie Creighton read the role of Flo, as other players study in background.

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## CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 20 - Brown Bag Special  
SHIRLEY WARD, a former Canada student will speak. Her topic is "From the Kitchen to the Newsroom," in the Women's Center from noon to 1 p.m.

Wednesday, February 27 - Brown Bag Special  
CAROLYN ARNOLD will discuss "Changing Sex Roles," from 11-12 in the Women's Center.

Thursday, February 28 - Brown Bag Special  
CANADA INSTRUCTOR, BILL KENNEY discusses the movie "Kramer vs. Kramer" in the Women's Center from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Monday, March 3 - Class  
CONTROLLING YOUR WEIGHT, Erin Hilton. With emphasis on group support, this class will help assess students' eating habits at home and out and dispell facts and fiction about fad diets and the relation between exercise and diet. Beginning February 25, March 3. 4:30-6:30 p.m., Raychem Corporation, Menlo Park. \$25 fee.



**Blessing Or Curse?**

**I Don't Know About You—I'm Heading For The Hills**

By Ralph Vonder Haar

This is it. I can't take it any more. I've made the supreme sacrifice. Yeah, I've done it. I've sold my T.V., and I'm going to take my backpack and guitar and head up into those mountains. Whatever happens to civilization happens. I don't care. I'm on my own.

It all started the other day. I was driving along with my niece. She's the prettiest thing you ever saw. If an angel floated down, halo, wings, and all, you'd swear it was she. I swear. Anyway, we're driving along. I was taking her to ride those automated horses in front of a supermarket (you know, the kind that goes for about two minutes if you put a quarter in) when she says all of a sudden, out of the blue, "Isn't the sky pretty today?"

Well, what could I say? The sky was an impressive collage of dark purples, brilliant reds, and gruesome grays. She didn't know the catalyst of that beauty was the insensitive smokestacks and the ceaseless cars, carelessly stoking the object of her art. She only appreciated the aesthetic value of what she saw. Well, what do you expect from a four-year-old?

But, you should expect more from me. I know better. I know the direction we are headed, even if it takes a four-year-old to show me.

**Death of the Bay**

I've been reading about San Francisco bay for years. About how the bay's now half the size it once was, and how fishermen can't believe the difference between the amount and size of their catches today compared to what they caught twenty years ago.

I read all the time how the processing plants dump their chemicals almost heedlessly into our rapidly sickening bay.

Even worse, illegally dumped wastes and incomplete and unsecured dump sites throughout the state represent a far more severe hazard, both because they are so numerous and because people who live near them are generally unaware of their existence. It has become almost commonplace for investigators to find drums of chemicals from unknown ancestry hidden in unlikely spots.

And the miscarriages and birth defects directly related to the use of pesticides in Northern California is widely documented. A recent television documentary on the subject illuminated the problem and provoked a huge public response.

**'Missing Teeth'**

And how about our Redwood National Park? It's the most expensive National Park in the world, 92 million dollars worth, and loggers for years have cut away the trees around the park and left it looking like "missing teeth in a crooked smile."

The federal government's National Environment Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) isn't really helping. "The victory of NEPA,"

an article in Science magazine, charges, "merely consists of evermore complex and intricate requirements for the processing of papers."

And the biggest candle sitting on top of this cake of destruction is Nuclear Power. Most people just plain don't understand the dangers of this highly volatile source of power. The media won't tell you. Some communications companies even hold large shares in uranium mines.

**Viscious Cycle**

Each step of the nuclear fuel cycle is dangerous. When uranium is mined it gives off a gas called radon. In years past, 20 to 50 per cent of uranium miners died of lung cancer.

When the uranium is milled and enriched, a lot of the ore is discarded and lies around in huge piles called tailing. These tailings also give off radon gas. In Grand Junction, Colorado, people apparently didn't know of this danger, because they used the tailings to build schools, hospitals, houses, and roads. Consequently, congenital deformities among babies born in Grand Junction have increased noticeably.

Next, when the uranium begins fission in the reactor, it turns into hundreds of very poisonous radioactive elements. The most dangerous of these is plutonium—Scientists haven't been able to find a dose low enough that it won't induce cancer in dogs.

It is generally accepted that a millionth of a gram of plutonium will give humans cancer, and it's the young, especially fetuses, who are most sensitive to these effects.

Each nuclear reactor makes 400-500 pounds of plutonium every year. It only takes 10 pounds to make an atomic bomb.

By the year 2020, forty years from now, they will have made 30,000 tons of it, and 1000,000 shipments of plutonium will have been transported along our accident-prone highways annually.

Once this stuff gets into our environment, it takes a long, long time to go away. The half-life of plutonium is 24,000 years. That means it is not safe for half a million years. It's not biodegradable, and we can't get rid of it. Scientists haven't solved the waste problem. They have been burying plutonium underground in canisters, which are supposed to be able to contain radioactive material for 100 years. After that, the plutonium will get out into our environment.

And, lets say someone died of cancer due to plutonium. Lets say that person was cremated. The same plutonium that killed him would go back into our environment, escaping through the chimney with the other smoke. This would go on and on for half a million years.

And this substance is so toxic everyone who gets it into their lungs will die of lung cancer. You wouldn't even know you had breathed it. You can't see it, taste it or smell it. It takes people a long time to get cancer. You could feel



healthy for 15-30 years while you're carrying plutonium in your lung, until one day you get lung cancer.

**Food Chain**

Once radioactive material gets out into the environment, we can never get it back. Often, a leakage or a spill will be reported and the "experts" will say that it's perfectly safe. They don't explain that it gets into the food chain and is concentrated there. It gets into the grass and is eaten by animals, and then gets into the milk, the meat, and the vegetables that we eat.

And it's concentrated in breast milk as well.

Geneticists say we probably won't live to see the effects of genetic diseases due to plutonium, because the diseases are so carcinogenic or cancer-producing, that we'll all probably die of cancer first.

Scientists are predicting epidemics of cancer and leukemia in young people in the future.

In S.F. Bay, at Fellon Island, authorities have just discovered that there are 45,000 55 gallon drums containing plutonium and other materials, which were dumped there by the military, and

a third to a half of them are ruptured and leaking. We eat a lot of fish that is caught in that bay.

**Ooops!**

If an accident happens, whether due to a natural occurrence such as an earthquake, or due to human errors, and the melt-through-to-China syndrome occurs, thousands of people would instantly die. Two weeks later, thousands more would die from what is called acute radiation illness. Five years later, there would be an epidemic of leukemia. Fifteen to 40 years later, there would be an epidemic of cancers. But, we are susceptible to more than just accidents.

Experts have pointed out, for example that our enemies don't need a nuclear bomb anymore; all they need to do is drop a conventional bomb on one of our nuclear reactors. That gives a lot of fire power to smaller and weaker countries and to terrorist groups. If Europe had been populated with nuclear reactors during World War II, it would still be uninhabitable right now.

If a nuclear war occurs, the human race would not survive. Even if there were a few survivors, the water and air would be so contaminated, they'd get leukemia and cancer later.

**Proliferation**

Nuclear power plants are becoming unpopular in this country, though, for obvious reasons. But, GE and Westinghouse, because they have a lot of money tied up in them, are lending third world countries money to buy nuclear power plants.

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**West valley next**

# Cagers face play-off challenge

by Ernie Hallock

Canada's basketball team lost a heartbreaker to Laney February 7th.

It took two overtimes but Laney held on for a 79-75 verdict, giving the Eagles third place in the Golden Gate Conference with a record of 8-4. The Colts dropped to fourth place at 7-5.

As far as the playoffs are concerned Canada is hoping to finish in the top five. If they can accomplish that, they will be assured of a post-season playoff spot. In the Golden Gate Conference the team that finishes first automatically goes into the State Junior College Tournament and this is likely to be this season's undefeated Chabot.

After Chabot, the next four highest teams will play to decide the other representative in the

regional playoffs. As it stands now, after Chabot, the teams making the GGC playoffs are City College of San Francisco, Laney and Canada while De Anza and Foothill fight it out for the last berth.

If Canada gets into the playoffs they should be contenders due largely to their strong play against conference leader Chabot on January 16 when they lost 74-64 on the winner's court. This game, Canada played strong defense for the duration.

Center Mario Mitchell led a balanced Colt scoring attack with 13 points. Three other Colts hit double figures. Canada played the game without starting forward Charles Patton who, experiencing transportation difficulties, missed the game.

Canada travels to Saratoga tomorrow night to play West Valley.

OPPONENT	DATE	DAY	LOCATION	TIME
West Valley	Feb. 20	Wed.	Saratoga	7:30 p.m.
Foothill	Feb. 22	Fri.	Canada	7:30 p.m.
CSM	Feb. 26	Tues.	San Mateo	7:30 p.m.
San Jose City	Feb. 29	Fri.	Canada	7:30 p.m.
Skyline	Feb. 28	Thurs.	Canada	2:30 p.m.
Alumni	March 1	Sat.	Canada	12:00 noon
Pepperdine	Feb. 18	Mon.	Malibu	1:30 p.m.
USC	Feb. 19	Tues.	L.A.	1:15 p.m.
Long Beach	Feb. 20	Wed.	Long Beach	1:30 p.m.
UC Berkeley	Feb. 21	Thurs.	Berkeley	2:00 p.m.
Stanford	Feb. 26	Tues.	Stanford	1:30 p.m.
University of California	Feb. 28	Thurs.	Canada	2:00 p.m.
Canada College Softball Classic	Feb. 15-20		Canada	T.B.A.
Skyline	Feb. 22	Fri.	San Bruno	3:15 p.m.
Gavilan College	Feb. 26	Tues.	Canada	3:00 p.m.
Skyline	Feb. 28	Thurs.	Canada	3:00 p.m.
Menlo College	Feb. 19	Tues.	Stanford	12:30 p.m.
CCSF	Feb. 21	Thurs.	Menlo C.C.	1:00 p.m.
Diablo Valley	Feb. 25	Mon.	Walnut Creek	12:30 p.m.
Foothill	Feb. 28	Thurs.	Menlo C.C.	1:00 p.m.

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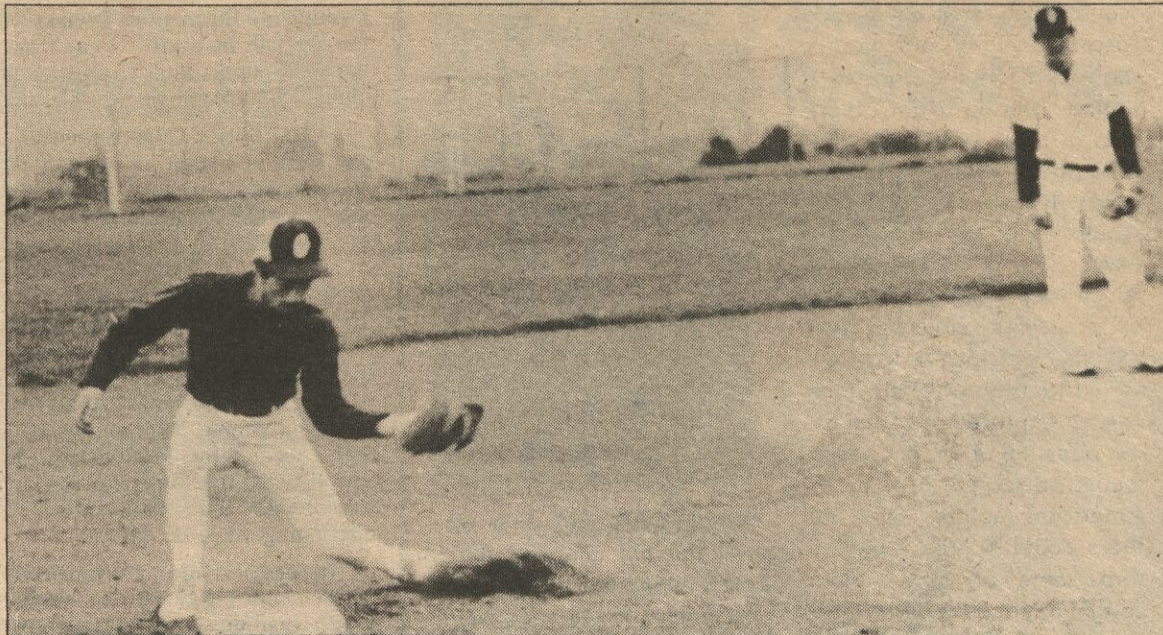


Photo by Tim Goode

Pete Rodriguez, last season's West Catholic Athletic League player of the year from St. Francis, sweeps the tag at third. Rodriguez will see action at second, shortstop as well as third.

## Colt nine ready to make a run toward GGC gold

by Tim Goode

Last season's Canada baseball team finished with a 19-15 overall record and fourth place in the Golden Gate Conference.

None of the returnees from last year's squad are playing at their old positions and the Colts don't have a single pitcher who has proven himself outstanding on the Junior College level.

So why does Coach Lyman Ashley sport a grin when he speaks of this year's team's prospects for success?

For starters, three of the 26 players on the roster have been named in the professional draft, (infielders Richard Scott, and Pete Whisler and outfielder Harold Reynolds), two of the top players from the West Catholic Athletic

League, Pete Rodriguez and Jerry Hart, have opted for Canada and at least 16 of the players have either played on the Flying Goose team from the Joe DiMaggio league, the Palo Alto American Legion team or the now defunct Walnut Tree Senior Babe Ruth squad within the last two years. All of those teams were among the tops in the state. On top of all the individual talent Ashley says that, "This is the fastest team I've ever had, we have exceptionally good speed. We also have a strong defense, something we didn't have last year."

Despite the fact that in a poll taken at a January GGC coaches meeting Canada was ranked fourth behind Chabot, San Jose City College and College of San Mateo, Ashley believes his team has a

legitimate shot at the conference title.

"My personal goal is to win 20 games, something we missed out on last year, and to make the playoffs," Ashley said. "I think it would be a realistic goal to make the playoffs."

The biggest question marks the Colts have will have to be answered by the pitching staff. Sophomores Eric Mann and Mike Armstrong are the most experienced throwers and will be expected to carry the bulk of the load. Mike King, who sat out last season due to injury, has "looked outstanding" in fall practice and should bolster the staff.

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## Softball team looking good

By Rich Varriano

The 1980 Canada Colts women's softball team began its season last week with a non-league game against Gavilan College.

February 15-20, the Colts will host their own tournament, the Canada College Softball Classic.

Coach Gordon Gray is optimistic about his team's chances in the Golden Gate Conference this year, even though his team has been plagued by injuries and a lack of players. The women have only ten players going into the pre-season.

The Colts have only three returning players on this year's squad. They are Carol de Gery, outfield, Janice Wacker, at 1st

base, and Jody Whitmire, infield. The rest of the squad are freshmen, including: Anna Ferrigno, the top women's pitcher, Lauren Sommers, catcher, Carmon Aeyes, shortstop, Lisa Dougued, third base. The outfielders are Jo Lynn Tetzlaff, Judy Lynch, and Maria Marti.

The team has played three scrimmages and Coach Gray believes, compared to the 1979 squad, his team has improved on hitting and defense.

The first league game is Tuesday, March 11, against Chabot, who is expected to be one of the tougher teams in the league. The other top contender will be defending G.G.C. Champs, West Valley College.

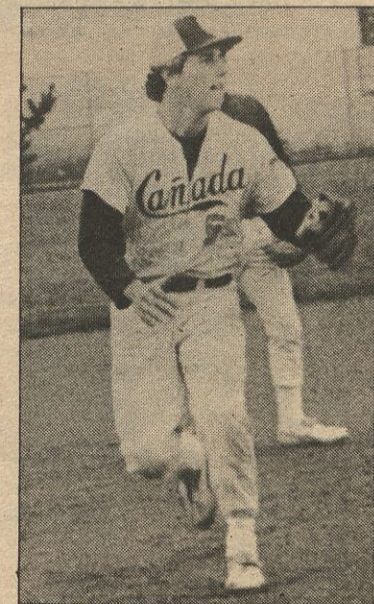


Photo by Tim Goode

Canada third baseman Kurt Jorgenson awaits the throw to third in a preseason workout.



**Snapshots**

Photos by Phyllis Olson

**Should Women Fight If Drafted?**

"I'm really divided on the issue; there are pros and cons. Positively, women in combat would strengthen our armed forces, solidify our youth, male and female more as a nation. During Nam, there was a lot of hostility in that men had to fight and women didn't. If they had to fight it would be a great plus for ERA.

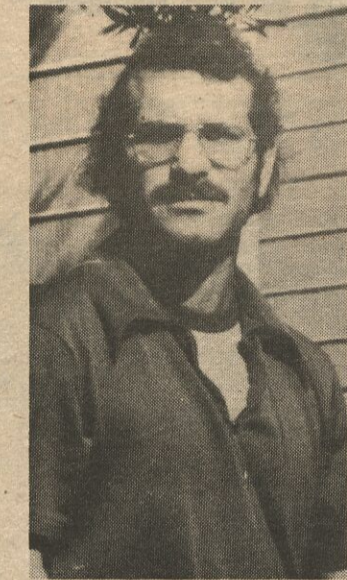
If they didn't go, it would be a serious handicap. Just active non-participation would detriment their face value. Captured in combat, the question of prisoner rape would be raised; how many American mothers and fathers could handle the idea that some of our women caught might be raped?"

**Ralph Renga**  
Environmental Tech.



"Really! Most definitely so! They should be the first to go. They want equal opportunities. A lot of women I know want to go. Let's send the women over first and let them check the situation out, and they can let us know what's going on.

**Wayne (Awol) Wright**



"damn right! But first we send the politicians. I think they'd (women) be more vicious than men. Women have more endurance than men pound for pound. Equal opportunities demand equal responsibility. Every American has a responsibility to serve his country in one respect or another. Sex discrimination and age discrimination should be eliminated.

**Terry Larsen**  
Engineering-  
also a veteran of Nam



"No, I don't believe women should have to serve and my opinion has a lot to do with the idea of anyone being in combat. If inevitably we must fight, it should be voluntary combat. Women are less physically capable, they have their menstrual cycles, it would mean more taxpayer's money for more facilities. If you're going to go out there in the first place then we ought to send the strongest. I believe men and women are equal but they have different responsibilities in society.

**Judy Vick**  
Art

**The Battle For Amanecer**

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wanted, saying, "I have to deal with the whole population, not just one percent of it."

Ferguson said he would be willing to talk with the editors of Amanecer about its publication. He stressed, though, that the newsletter should be printed through the Humanities Division in the English Institute. "I can't just hand out public funds to all student clubs," he explained.

Aida Hiniyosa, the Amanecer's advisor, feels that if all student clubs want their own newsletter they should be able to have them and that moving Amanecer to the Humanities Division would hinder its purpose. Latinos, she explained, "need more than an instructional tool, but need an informational tool." Amanecer, she stressed, "bridges a gap between Spanish speaking people and the school," and, "needs some permanence and visibility." It's important, she concluded, "that Latinos have a continuing voice on campus."

**Director of Humanities** Friesen said Ferguson was absent from school due to an emergency, consequently he did not have an opportunity to talk with him. Friesen has only spoke to the editors once but said he would be willing to "work something out."

The new Dean of Students Joe Marchi also said he is willing to talk about this problem, although at this time he "knows absolutely zero about it." Marchi will only be the Dean of Students until Hoyos returns at the end of this year.

The complaints against the administrator's position are coming from many areas. Al Archeleta, tutor coordinator and



Title page of Amanecer, bearing the insignia of Canada College, lower left.

chairperson of the Chicano faculty and staff, feels that there should be a change in the job announcement that is going out for the position of Financial Aid Interviewer. Archeleta believes that bilingualism should be required rather than merely preferred, due to the high percent of Spanish speaking people that utilize financial aid.

Marie Tucker, head of the Financial Aid Department, said that 30 percent of the people on financial aid are Latinos, and six percent can't speak English.

Excel counselor Villarreal maintains that many Latinos can not get an explanation of the technical financial jargon because they don't understand English well enough and a bilingual person is not readily available. She feels, as do many other people, that a full

time permanent bilingual person is needed, rather than the temporary part-time one.

Villarreal also believes the problem is much deeper than that. She charges that many administrators view Latinos with a "whole attitude of second class citizens."

The editors of Amanecer feel that in the past the newsletter was weak and flighty, printing only poems and short essays. Alvarez and Pfau explained that their purpose now is to let the people know what's happening culturally, to let the people know of problems at Canada and to bring the people together by getting them more involved in their surroundings.

This controversy has been continuing for a number of weeks and at this time the future of Amanecer is still uncertain.

**Baseball**

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Freshmen David Winn from Palo Alto High and Phil Bachler from Menlo School also have impressed in the early going.

The relief chores will be handled by Sophomore Frank Vasquez and Frosh Richard Scott.

Scott threw 21 consecutive shutout innings during the State American Legion tournament during the summer.

Providing runs for the pitchers shouldn't be much of a problem. Accompanying this year's fleet of basepath burners are an ample supply of powerhitters.

Gene Robinson, a transfer from Fresno State, gives Canada its first bona fide clean-up hitter in a long time, according to Ashley. Harold Reynolds, Kurt Jorgenson and Richard Scott have also been hitting the ball very well. Scott and Jorgenson are switch-hitters.

The Colts opened the season last Friday in a double header against Fresno and Sacramento. Canada's next home game is against Skyline, Thursday, Feb. 28 at 2:30 p.m.

**Nuclear Power**

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The more countries that get nuclear power, the greater the risk that a nuclear war will start somewhere that would inevitably have a global effect. Considering the world wide occurrences of the past and of the present, it would be a relatively simple matter for a carnigeous disaster to occur.

No Sir, I can't take this. I'm

not going to watch this catastrophe happen. If it was just me, that'd be o.K. I'd probably make it through alright. Things might not start happening for another twenty years or so. I can handle that. But, I can't watch my little angel niece live her existence with that kind of cloud hanging over her head. So, I gotta do what I gotta do. I gotta go. There's one thing for sure—I'm not going to have any kids. You can bet on that.

**Kitchen to broadcasting**

"From The Kitchen To The Newsroom" is the topic to be presented by Shirley Ward at the next Brown Bag Special, February 20, 12 to 1 p.m. in the Women's Center (Bldg. 16, Room 5) Ms. Ward, a former editor of Canada's

Weatherwane, will share the experiences that followed her decision to re-enter college after several years away from the classroom and pursue a career in broadcast journalism.

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