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Water conservation likely in Fresno

The drought, government sources contend, will continue about nine more months. The effects of the drought on Californian's water consumption probably will not be completely or accurately known until it's over.

In San Mateo County the effects of the drought are already being seen. San Mateo County residents now use dish and bath water for the lawns and plants. Showers and baths themselves have been cut down and people seldom clean house because of the water it uses.

Those problems have not been experienced in Fresno, but water conservation probably will become a fact of life in the future for Fresnoans.

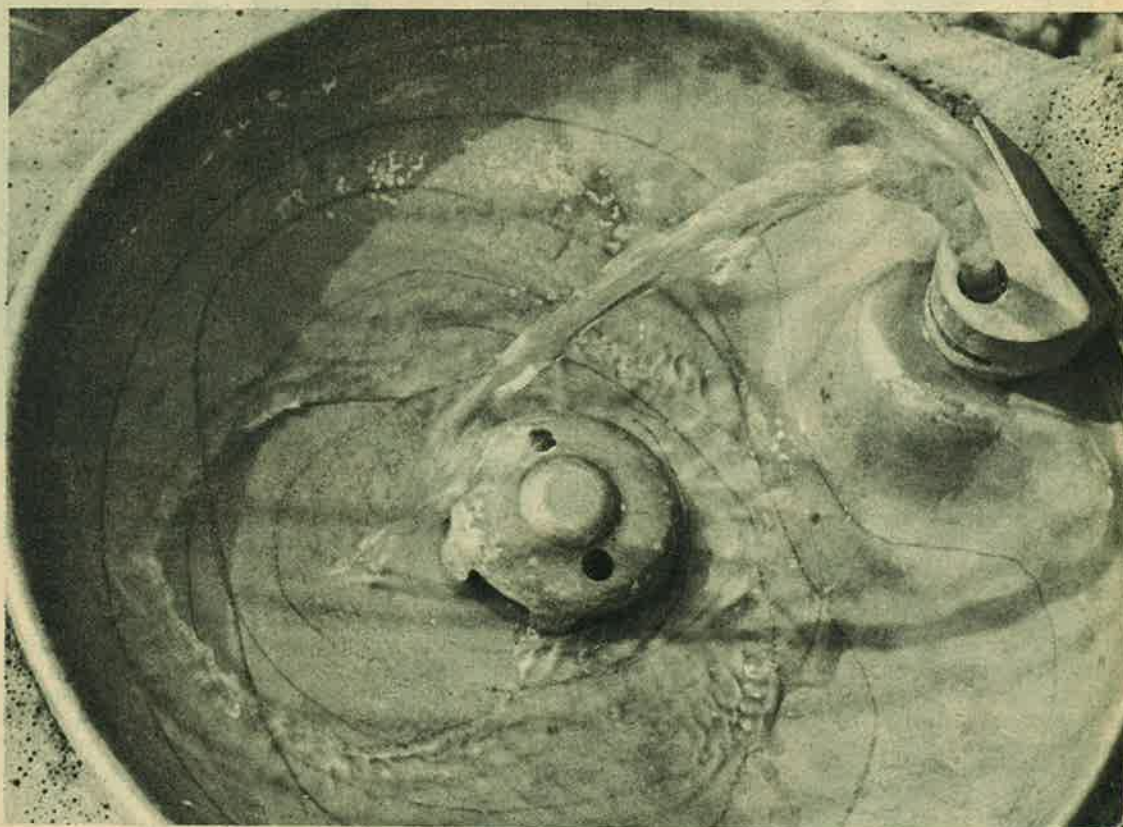
Ray Allen, of Water Services for the City of Fresno, said that in the near future water services will start using the media and

other forms of advertising to get residents to conserve water. "People are conserving water on a voluntary basis right now," said Allen.

Howard Keck, engineer for the Fresno Irrigation District, said that depending on the various water sources used by the growers, there would be a drop in water resources.

Field crops will be the most affected. This would, according to Keck, result in a cutback of production. Growers solely using the California Aqueduct will probably be the hardest hit. The Aqueduct is affected by a 75% cut in water by the Federal government.

Water conservation measures for all people will be taken in the future. All agree, however, that maybe now is the best time to take a hard look at how much water we're using and what for.



Are you doing your part to conserve water?

ASB Senate again fails to draw quorum

Going into the third meeting of the semester, the Student Senate Tuesday could only discuss issues and problems as for the second time it failed to convene officially because of the lack of a quorum.

ASB President Dave Schroeder spoke critically of Senators neglecting their assigned duties. He said he is irritated by the fact that people take on the responsibility and do not perform it. "Ride your fellow Senators to get a quorum," he said.

Schroeder also suggested doing away with commissionerships such as commissioners of Athletics and Arts, because the ASB no longer funds them, and with the commissioner of veteran

affairs, is not active at this time.

There had been talk about tension between the Senate and the Executive Board, so Rosemary Lopez suggested that everyone voice his or her own opinion about it. Many Senators agreed that the Executive Board is doing much of the work, and the Senate is not functioning.

The Senate and Executive

Board plan to attend an ASB Senator Conference-Retreat workshop at Montecito-Sequoia Camp in Kings Canyon National Forest for two days to better their knowledge of ASB activities on March 11 and 12. Legislative Vice President Ken Mitchell stated, "Let's get our acts and our heads together."

Also discussed was "Awareness Day." The purpose of

"Awareness Day" is to make the campus aware and sensitive to the circumstances of the student with a disability. This day allows other students to trade places with students with disabilities, such as trying out crutches or a wheelchair. A wheelchair basketball game is scheduled on March 16 where the FCC wheelchair team will meet the ASB and faculty teams.

A report on the Washington D.C. trip was not brought up this time again because of the lack of a quorum. If by next week the Senate again lacks the quorum needed to perform, Adviser Douglas Peterson said he will call for a special election of Senators.

Student privacy has been enhanced in the last two years by a federal law which evolved "party as a general public reaction to Watergate," said Associate Dean of Records Ward Lasher.

Dr. Lasher cited the promiscuous flow of peoples' social security numbers as another reason for public reaction to

threats to privacy. "The Student Privacy Act does a good job of protecting such information while allowing the student full access to his or her records," he added.

Previous California law concerning academic records denied "full access" to the student and gave agencies such as the FBI secret access. Unofficial records from prior schools attended could not be obtained by the student via FCC. Also, a directory of information about all students

was kept in the library.

Under the new federal law, Dr. Lasher explained, "the student may not only see all his records (including "negative reports" previously withheld from his view), but may enter a rebuttal to a negative report in his records.

The FBI along with any other law enforcement body can view confidential files only with a court order, Dr. Lasher continued. In the event of a court order, the student would be notified.

The student may obtain an unofficial copy of any of his files held by FCC. The Library directory no longer is used. A document filled out and signed by the student during registration specifies whether personal data is to be kept public or private.

"No one may examine your records without your written

permission," the dean said.

To illustrate the strict privacy, Dr. Lasher told of an incident. A student's neighbor called the FCC Records Office and exclaimed the student's house was on fire. Instead of seeking the student, Dr. Lasher said he would call the neighbor back. After dialing the number of the Fire Department, he confirmed the house was on fire. The class was then interrupted and the student given the news.

If an official whose responsibility it is to guard academic records violates the student's privacy in any way pertaining to the Act, lawsuits may be instigated.

Dr. Lasher estimated 25 percent of the student body specify to keep their files secret. That is a fairly high percentage, he indicated, and it is up from last year.

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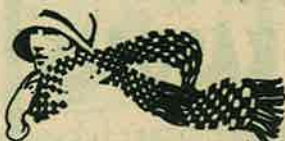
--DOROTHY BLISS

Cosmetology

Is cosmetology your thing? FCC offers the AS degree and the Certificate of Achievement to those students, both men and

women, qualifying for admission into the program. More information can be obtained from Adrian Acosta, counselor, in A-206.

--ADRIAN ACOSTA



Grand opening

Watch for the "Grand Opening" of the new Student Services Building and be sure to visit the Counseling Center! We will be open for business on March 7.

--JOHN RYSKA

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photo by Ernesto Kline

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Mayor Ted Wills, seeking reelection, and Dan Whitehurst, city councilman, are the candidates for a four-year term.

Wills has been mayor for eight years and decided to seek reelection. "It wasn't an easy decision," he said. "About 60 or 70 people, a cross section of the community, discussed it and decided, 'Mayor, we want you to run again one more time.'"

At his desk in City Hall, Wills reads letters of problems concerning Fresno and deals with problems taken and phoned in by the public. The mayor seems to be on call all the time.

Whitehurst, 28, said, "I decided to run for mayor because the city is ready for energetic new leadership. I feel that I bring an independent positive approach to city government; I sense that the people in Fresno are ready for a change."

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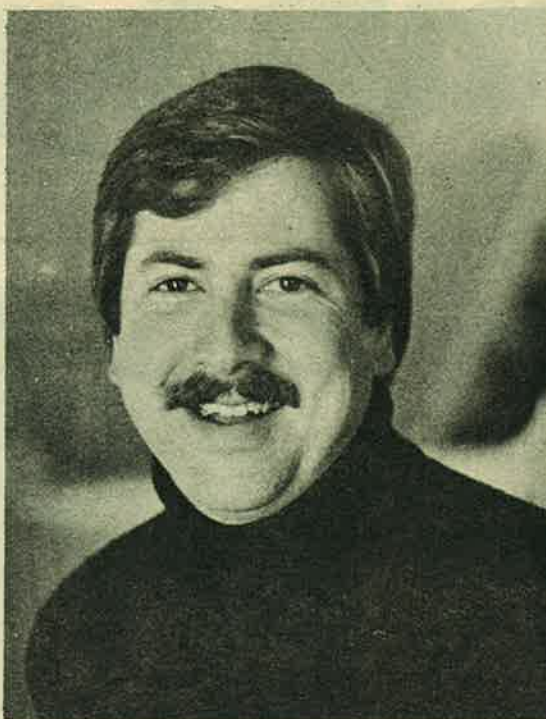
If elected, Wills said, he will continue to work for Fresno on the issues of unemployment, population growth, construction,

and many other areas.

Said Whitehurst, "I would advertise the vacancies coming up on various city boards, and interest the public in these positions, to encourage the wide range of people who haven't been involved in the political process in this city who are concerned to get involved."

He said he hopes to make appointments a little less political and more on the basis of merit, and qualities the individual can bring to the commission. "I would try to attract the most talented people in the city to serve."

Both candidates are concerned



Dan Whitehurst



Mayor Ted C. Wills

about such issues as the economy, unemployment, education, taxes, and the energy crisis.

Whitehurst supports budget cuts on property tax rate, historic preservation of old buildings, revitalizing downtown, freeway system, urban growth management, energy conservation, free enterprise, attracting new business, eliminating wasteful programs, policy departments, squaring off the city boundaries, and new people on city commissions.

On the city council since 1954, Wills said, "Last year, we issued \$100 million worth of building permits. When you drive now from City Hall, you can go from the river and see houses under

construction. Also, you can see the diversification of jobs in this agricultural community."

He said he helped create new jobs, construction, internal revenue services, some areas of education, senior citizens programs and other areas of government.

"The major is the spokesman for the City Council and the city. I think he should visit schools, answer questions, invite students to visit council meeting, and make his office available," added Whitehurst.

"I don't have a specific program in mind, but I'll be happy to cooperate with the college, university, and high school, or any group who is

interested in finding out what is happening."

Said Wills, "To me, the human being is important. I have a philosophy that all of us have a purpose in life that is to serve your fellow man. I found that a person who thinks only of himself is soon the lonely person. People who care have a lot of friends."

Whitehurst added, "I think we're ready for a new spokesman in that area, to attract our business community. You have to present a fresh, modern, progressive, professional image. I think in the past, Fresno still has the image of an old-fashioned farmtown. I think I can overcome that kind of image."

Belmont: will 'main' always be there?

By Lori Eickmann

Belmont. For many college and high school students, it's the place to be on Friday and Saturday nights. It's a place to meet friends or talk about cars or just cruise around when there's nothing else to do.

But for other members of the community, Belmont is a street to be avoided, especially on the weekends. Congested traffic, noise, litter, and violence make up an atmosphere that is unfavorable to many.

Indeed, the situation on Belmont has recently received much publicity. Businessmen complain about the vandalism, parents object to teenagers running amok in the streets, and young people defend the strip as their territory because they have nowhere else to go.

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mented, "It's mainly the younger teenagers causing trouble. They get people to buy beer for them, think it's big to drink in cars."

But there are two sides to every controversy. The club's president, Bill Moses, doesn't think there is any problem at all. "No more than the last 30 years," he said. "The businessmen complain louder, maybe."

Moses doesn't believe the vandalism is any worse on Belmont than anywhere else. "Vandalism is everywhere. Go up to the mountains and you see writing on the rocks."

Moses did say that it could take anywhere from 15 to 40 minutes to get through Belmont on Friday and Saturday nights. He added that it's not dangerous, but "people should be aware that you can take other streets."

Businesses have dealt with the vandalism in various ways. Some have moved out, others are resigned to having the exterior of their stores decorated with graffiti.

What alternatives could be



Belmont Graffiti

photo by Eusevio Arias

offered to get young people off of the streets? "More organized outlets for students, something to let them release frustrations," offered Teramoto, although he had no specific suggestions.

"It's up to the people out there," he continued. "Police have clamped down, but that causes people to dare, see how much they can get away with."

Moses commented, "I don't think youth clubs are the answer." Why? "I have \$4,000 invested in my car — and you can't drive it in a club. I want to take it down on the main so

people can drool over it."

Any place to get young people off the streets seems to be a popular solution. Another is building a drag strip.


"You have to travel 50-100 miles to get to the nearest track," said Teramoto. "About a year ago, we were trying to get a group together to raise money to buy land for a track. But, not enough backing."

"Draggers on the street give

us a bad name," said Nyberg, who agrees a strip would "get them off the road."

However, area residents invariably object to the noise of a track, and a location is yet to be found. For now, not much is being done in the way of drag strips or any other solutions.

Some may think that's just fine. "They'll never get rid of the main, it will always be there," stated Moses.



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Westmoreland scores 28 as Rams burn Beavers, 85-79

FCC's Daryl Westmoreland scored 28 and 18 points last Friday and Saturday as the Ram basketball team upset American River 85-79, but lost to San Joaquin Delta 84-67.

Against American River, Stark's cagers erupted for 48 points in the second half to give the Beavers their first home loss of the season. Freshmen John Meyer and Kevin Mantley added 14 and 12 points, respectively, to

pad the Rams scoring.

Saturday's game proved too much for Fresno to handle as four of Delta's five starters scored in double figures. The Rams went into the locker room at halftime with a substantial lead, but were unable to contend with the Mustangs who had spent the night in Fresno after playing in Reedley on Friday.

Stark commented, "We just ran out of gas. In the second half we were completely exhausted.

The trip back from American River was just too long for the players to try to play another game on Saturday. I feel that it's another reason we should have Wednesday-Saturday games."

Westmoreland added, "Against American River we played as a team and had fun. But when we played Delta we tried so hard in the first half, we didn't have anything left for the rest of the game. We just got burnt out.

Matmen win VC tournament, conference crown, in Visalia

An elated Bill Musick was all smiles when describing how his Rams had won the Valley Conference Wrestling Tournament, and with it the conference championship.

The event, which took place at Visalia's College of the Sequoias, featured what many people thought were the most closely matched wrestling teams in conference history.

"We really did a super job," stated Coach Musick, whose team finished 21 points in front of their closest competitors. Fresno notched 128 points in the tournament while second place Modesto earned 107. American River scored 105 points to claim

third and Delta rounded out the top four teams by logging 104 points.

Don Johnston helped lead the Rams to victory by winning the 158 lb. weight class. He was honored as the community college athlete of the week for his efforts.

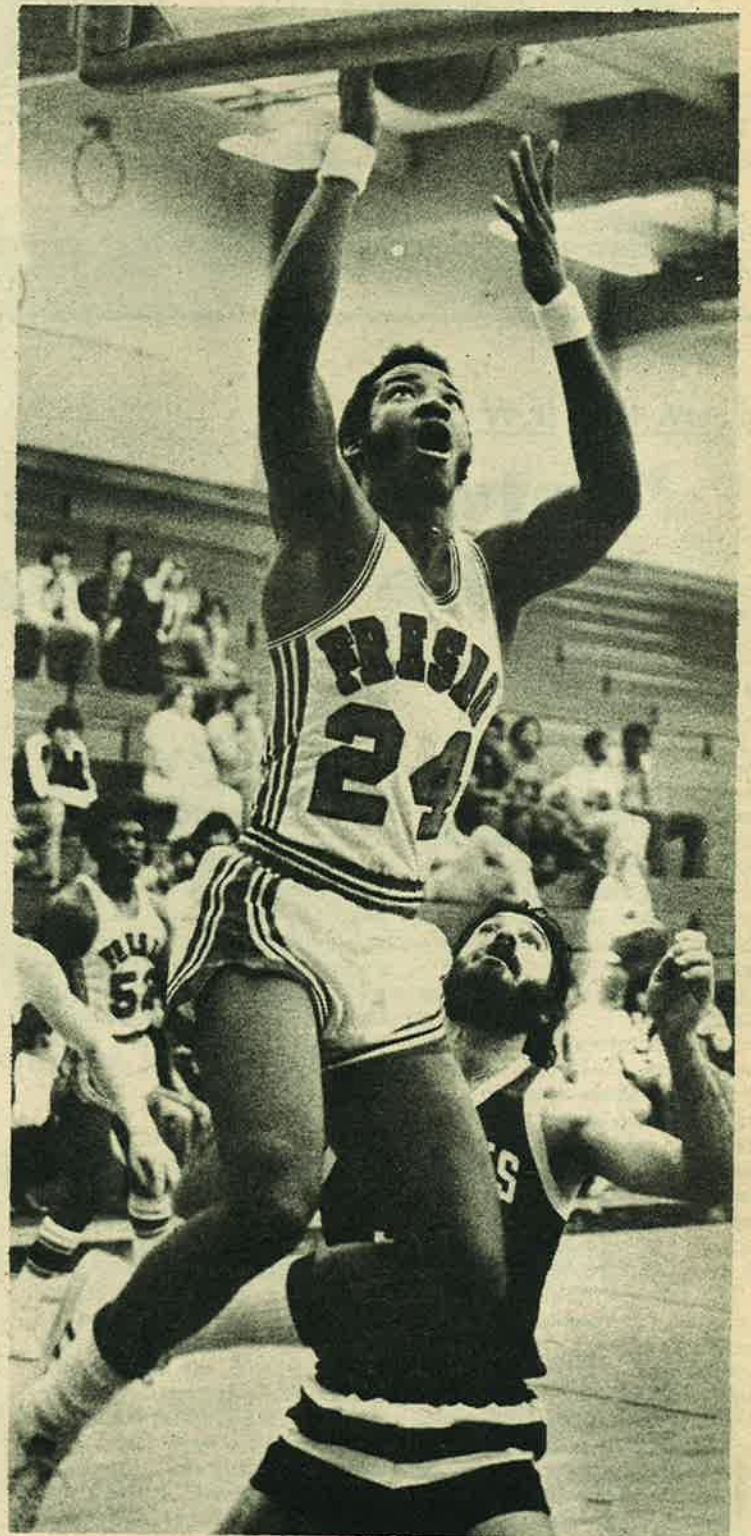
Also winning their respective weight groupings were Curt Wiedenhofer at 177 lbs., and Amos Scott, Fresno's 190 pounder. Eugene Royal had to default the final of the 150 lb. class due to a knee injury suffered during his semi-final match. John Diaz also finished as a runnerup in the heavyweight class.

Brad Arvance, the 134 pound-

er, was also impressive in beating a wrestler who had pinned him the week before at Delta. Arvance used this victory to claim third place in the tourney.

Coach Musick added, "We thought it would be very close between the top four teams, but we really won it very easily."

The Rams who qualified at the conference tournament will now compete in the Regional Tournament Saturday in Bakersfield. Musick feels that all of his competing wrestlers have a good chance of winning in the regionals and advancing to the State Finals which is scheduled for Mar. 1 at Cypress College.



Daryl Westmoreland (24) lays one in against Modesto.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Renegades beat Ram thinclads

The Bakersfield Renegades won their 44th straight track meet last Friday at the expense of the Fresno City Rams 82-63.

Coach Bobby Fries' tracksters opened the meet with a victorious 440 relay team composed of Powell, Malone, Washington, and Tate with a 42.4 clocking.

Defending state triple jump champion Chris De France edged out Fresno's Eddie Tate in the long jump with a leap of 23-9½ to Tate's 23-9. De France also captured the triple jump 49-6 and the 200 meters 21.6.

Weightman Anthony Williams and pole vaulter Stan Reyes were the only field event winners for the Rams. Williams won the shot with a heave of 53-1¼ and Reyes captured the pole vault at 15-0.

Ron Malone won the 100 meters in 10.7 and Anthony Washington won the 110 high

hurdles to record firsts in the sprints. The mile relay team of Garcia, Fain, Rivera, and Martinez were also victorious as they won their event in 3:32.8.

The FCC women's track team also lost to Bakersfield 70-37. Individual winners included Robles who captured both the shot put 40-5 and the javelin 106-5, Debbie Hackett's 14.1 100 meters and Banks 29.2 200 meters.

Golf today

The golf team will take a 3-1 match record to the Fort Washington gold course today to face Fresno State, and then will journey to Taft on Friday to play in the Taft Invitational Golf Tournament.

The Rams got sweet revenge last Thursday afternoon when they defeated the Bakersfield Renegades 377-386, on Fresno's Riverside golf course.

After dropping a 377-387

decision to the Renegades in Bakersfield, the Rams used this win to vindicate their only loss so far this season.

Tim Norris shot a one-over par 73 and Jim Lopez finished one stroke behind Norris with a 74 to lead FCC to victory.

Netters lose

The men's tennis team couldn't get things going as they had only two players advance after the first round at the Modesto Tournament last Friday in Modesto.

Tomorrow coach Billy Wayte will take his squad to Bakersfield in search of revenge against the Renegades. In their first match, the Rams lost 7-2.

At Modesto, Judd Conley got as far as the third round in the consolation bracket and Joe Pombo went to the third round of the championship match.



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Recall or replace Student Senate

It appears more and more that the so-called Student Government is failing in its own duties.

Number One: There has yet to be any considerable body of effort designed to help the students of Fresno City College. This has been more and more apparent by the increasing lack of concern for either the opinion of the students, as well as by the lack of attendance at the last two Senate meetings.

The dormancy of the day-care issue has bothered many students on the basis that no appreciable effort has yet been made by the Senate or the executive officers to act on the information that has been on hand for some months. Further examples become apparent as one realizes that only a minimum of effort was made to concern itself with the issue of the trip to Washington, D.C. Students present often voiced concern, yet they were disregarded.

Number Two: Internal problems of the ASB Senate have resulted in a characteristic flaw in the ASB organization. First, few students realize that the lack of a quorum (minimum number of persons necessary to carry on business) has occurred twice and has shown no signs of being different in the future.

Doug Peterson, ASB adviser, has stated that if there is no quorum next Tuesday, special elections will be held to fill at least four vacancies. Senate vacancies are normally filled by presidential appointment and Senate confirmation, but since there has been no quorum, confirmation for waiting appointments is not forthcoming.

These excesses and general incompetence have resulted in a tremendous amount of student apathy. This is not surprising. There has been a drop of about 500 in voter turnout in ASB elections, from about 800 to under 300 in the space of one semester. The number of students applying for student government posts has declined from 14 candidates for nine positions to seven candidates for nine positions in the last semester.

These and other specifics can be named, but, all in all, the problem itself is quite visible, yet the Senate is failing to even look in the proper direction. The problem?

Number Three: The Senate has failed to realize not only its own potential, but also has failed to realize its own weaknesses. It is quite clear that the Senate could take action to stop the apathy and begin reorganizing and strengthening the rights of students, but what is also clear is the areas that ASB government should look to, but doesn't.

A lot of the areas that the Senate fails to look to are perhaps the simplest: the Student Body itself. For some unexplainable reason, the students are constantly left out of decisions which can affect all. Consequently, the so-called elected officials place themselves in a position where students begin to question, and as has been more apparent, oppose the decisions of the student representatives. It was Senator Merritt Dickson who put it so well: "This is our Senate, and there isn't anybody who's going to tell us how to run it."

Mentioned by him during debate on the Washington junket, Dickson quite fluently placed the blame where it lies: The fact that the Senate has disregarded, and probably will continue to disregard, the students who elected them.

There are two possible solutions: 1. Abolishing the Student Senate and setting up a five-person committee elected by the students. This committee would take all grievances to the administration and act on any issue the students so desire. With only five members, it could operate much more effectively and efficiently than the rather large organization there is now. The budget would be given to the administration but subject to approval by this committee. An entertainment card would then be substituted for the ASB card and would give the student the same discounts.

The second alternative would be: 2. A recall of the ASB officers. This would be tantamount to a vote of confidence by the student body, but would accurately discern the attitudes and feelings the general student body would have regarding the efficiency and effectiveness of the government. By placing all senators and officers in a forum atmosphere to defend themselves and their actions for the year, the ASB government would be forced, either by the shock of recall or by replacement of ineffective persons, to begin consideration of student body actions and ideas. This would provide a mechanism to allow students a chance to voice their attitudes and grievances, and be secure in knowing that their ideas would at least be considered.

It is clear that the past and present actions of the Senate force us to consider alternatives to a clearly inadequate organization, so that we may be secure in knowing that the future of the Associated Students is in good hands, and on the right path. Let us hope that the Senate can realize its problems, before we are forced to realize the need to act on one of the alternatives.



FILM REVIEW

'Network' worth seeing despite tastelessness

By Mark Hernandez

When I went to see the movie "Network," I had misgivings about any film which dealt with electronic media communications in the manner I had heard the movie treated it. My misgivings were strengthened when I saw the long lines and heavy crowd waiting to see it on Washington's birthday.

I'm happy to say that I was wrong.

Done in often tasteful but sometimes tasteless humor, "Network" hauls itself up from the beginning to a rather heady current of plot complications and situations. The late Peter Finch plays Union Broadcasting System news commentator Howard Beale, a man who has worked for 25 years as chief newsman.

The movie begins with a barroom sequence between Beale, and his boss, Max Schumacher, played by William Holden. Totally drunk, these men later go into the UBS studio for the evening newscast. After being notified that his ratings were too low, and that he was to retire in two weeks, Beale

announces that, in a week's time, he will go on the air and shoot himself.

The movie then results in a satirical look at television packaging and promotion when the chief of programming decides to take over the news. Beale, who has now become the "modern day Messiah of the airwaves," is heading the news with a rambling attack and comment on the pressing issues of the day, as well as Sybil the Soothsayer, a fortuneteller who predicts the weather, a computer poll of the studio audience (shades of Monty Hall), and Mata Hari, the news dirt digger.

Needless to say, the ratings begin to rise dramatically, and the programming director (played by Faye Dunaway) uses the rise to extend her power of programming by creating such programs as a group of terrorists who supply actual footage of an assault or kidnapping so that the show's writers can build a plot around it, a Communist Party member who supervises the content of such shows, and other otherwise ridiculous programs.

The film itself catches the feeling of the American public,

with regard to television. The rage and fury of the people has been demonstrated several times in recent news by the massive cancellations of television programming. Having failed to satisfy the American public, "Network" takes the problem further by demonstrating the types of programs which could be, and, practically, should be available.

The black humor involved is intensified each moment in the film, but does not turn the movie into a rollicking comedy. The touches of drama are contrasted against the humor to produce an ironic touch: Beale trying to stay on the air and his method of doing it; Schumacher dealing with male menopause; and, of course, the problems of corporation managers attempting to program television to meet the ideals they set for it...regardless of what the viewers want.

Overall, the movie shows almost immediately as to why it has been nominated for several academy awards. All in all, a movie worth seeing.

Next week: "Bound For Glory" and...Phil's Fearless Oscar Predictions.

LETTER

PSM needs to shape up

In the past few months, it has become clear that a group of persons who campaigned on a principle of aiding the students of Fresno City College has sorely neglected its efforts in that direction. I refer of course to the Progressive Student Movement (PSM) ticket which ran for office in the spring of 1976.

The promises made were not hard to keep and required a minimum of effort to establish: A table set up once a week in the cafeteria to listen to students; accessibility to the student body; and, a concerned effort to aid and help those same students. As of this writing, the PSM ticket, as a whole, has failed to fulfill its

promises.

It is with deepest regrets that I must announce my abandonment of this ticket, as it has failed to make significant efforts to accomplish the goals it set for itself. I am, as of the publication of this letter, dissolving all ties with current political structures within the Associated Student Body government, and the PSM ticket entirely.

Perhaps the PSM was put together too fast, or not soon enough; it seemed to be a good idea at the time. However, I cannot allow this mockery of political action to be associated with me any longer.

I do not insult any individual of

the PSM ticket, but rather, insult its current ineffectiveness and attitudes toward student involvement. It was the original concept of the organization to involve the student body as much as possible, but as an organization, PSM has failed.

I sincerely hope that the Progressive Student Movement can reverse its current direction and attitudes before it is too late.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Mark R. Hernandez
Executive Vice-President
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News Briefs

Major change

Students planning to change their major should do so in the Counseling Center before March 4.

Waddell roast

David Waddell, a reporter in the Public Information Office, was the honoree at a luncheon "roast" attended by about 50 coworkers and friends yesterday in a local restaurant.

Waddell, editor of the Ram-

page in Spring 1972, is leaving FCC to become sports editor of the Tulare Advance Register effective Monday. He was presented a pair of golf shoes and a golf shirt as a gift.

Magic aide

How would you like to be sawed in half? Professional magician is seeking a female assistant to aid in large magic production. For further information, contact the Rampage office, SC-211, or call Steve Menyhay, 485-4628.

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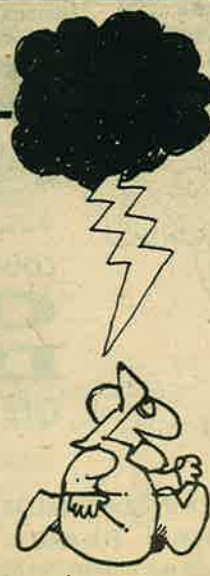
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