

# Rampage

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Rampage/Dan Immel

On a sunny Thursday afternoon, local teachers take turns walking around the fountain to promote their negotiation troubles with the Board of Trustees.

## New grad standards released

Beginning in fall of 1983, the graduation requirements for new students will be changing. The major changes will occur in reading and composition.

Under the current program, a student must take 15 units of general education, plus three units of political science. In the new program, the student will be required to take 18 units of general education, but that includes the political science requirement.

The requirement in mathematics will continue to be the same as before. The requirement in English, however, will be changing. The student will now be required to show proficiency in both reading and written expression. These requirements may be made either through by achievement of a prescribed score on specified proficiency tests, or through satisfactory of completion of a course in the above area.

## 886 FCC students make dean's list

The Fresno City College fall semester Dean's List has been released by college officials.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must achieve at least a 3.0 (B) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more units during a semester.

In all 886 fall semester students were named to the list. More than 15,000 students were enrolled at Fresno City College during the fall semester.

Of the 886 students named to the list, 87 were able to maintain a perfect 4.0 (A) grade point average.

Graduates of Fresno High School were most represented in the Dean's List. Fresno High School had 109 of its graduates on the list, with 10 of those students maintaining 4.0 (A) grade point averages.

McLane High School had 101 graduates on the Dean's List; Hoover 95, Bullard 88, Clovis High 60, Roosevelt 53, Sanger 46, Madera 42, Central 31, San Joaquin Memorial 28, Sierra 18, Reedley 17, Selma 16, Clovis West 16, Yosemite 13, Edison 12, Kerman 12, Kingsburg 11, and Fowler 10.

The highest number of 4.0 (A) grade point average students from a single high school was from Bullard. Of the 88 Bullard students on the Dean's List 11 had 4.0 grade averages.

The highest percentage of 4.0 students on the Dean's List was recorded by Reedley High School. Of the 17 Reedley students on the list, four had 4.0 averages. The second highest percentage was recorded by Washington Union which had five of its 28 graduates on the Dean's List scoring perfect 4.0 (A) grade point averages.

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# Faculty and Board still negotiating after eleven long months

by Mark Taylor

Proposals made by the Federation of Teachers Association haven't been met by the Board of Trustees as of yet, so the FTA had an informational picket February 17.

The picket was intended to "open the eyes" of the Board and to discontinue their "stalling." The FTA and the Board of Trustees have been negotiating for 11 months.

The FTA is proposing a one year contract that would include a five percent increase in salary and no cuts in established benefits.

Tom Tyner, FTA President and spokesman at the picket, said, "This proposal is below what the impartial arbitrator recommended. The administration gave themselves a five percent raise."

"The reserve is almost \$4,000,000. The interest alone would pay for the salary increase," said Tyner.

Tyner also felt that dropping the proposals below what the fact finder recommended shows "good faith."

But a panel member found the analysis and conclusions drawn by the chairman of the fact-finding committee to be "inappropriate, misleading, and inaccurate."

Chancellor Ray A. Cattani said,

"Every member on the Board of Trustees feels the faculty deserves a salary increase. They're doing a great job."

But Cattani felt Tyner was misled on a couple issues.

"Though I don't have the exact figures, there isn't \$4,000,000. It's closer to a little over a million."

Cattani also said the managers received their increase of five percent after the faculty received a nine percent increase in salary.

The Board made a decision in July 1977 that collective bargaining would not be made for both managers and faculty in the same time period. The managers would bargain in January while the faculty would bargain in July.

Cattani said the Board would be happy to give the faculty their raise but the problem is there are insufficient revenues. The problem isn't the inability to pay the five percent increase, it is a matter of sufficient cash flow.

Cattani felt the reserve needed to be at least five percent of the total yearly budget to operate soundly.

The general budget of 1982 and 83 is \$25,519,000.

Cattani said, "The board could sell some property or a building but how would the salary increase be met the following year?"

Tyner felt there were a number

of reasons why the FTA is frustrated.

Tyner said FCC has the worst retiree benefits out of community colleges in the state.

He said there was a 30 percent increase in management employment with a decrease in teachers being hired and about the same number of student body attending school.

Tyner said if there were better retiree benefits then teachers would have more of an incentive to retire. He also said there were 80 teachers over 55 currently teaching at FCC.

"This would save the board \$33,000 if a teacher was to retire and not be replaced," said Tyner.

Tyner also felt medical benefits shouldn't be cut.

But Cattani said there was a 45 percent increase for Blue Cross which costs \$42 per teacher per month. He said the Board proposes to pay \$32 of it and drop vision benefits.

Cattani said the managers have already agreed to this proposal.

Tyner said the faculty just wants to teach the students and Chancellor Cattani said he feels the teachers deserve the increase in salary yet both the FTA and the Board of Trustees are still at a stale-mate, because of conflicting issues and conflicting facts.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Another raise, teachers?

Last week students were treated to a lunchtime parade by Fresno City College instructors. Round and round they marched, placard-carrying teachers, demanding more benefits and increased wages. I was shocked. Students are still reeling from the instructional materials fee, a fee brought about to help alleviate a large budget deficit caused in part by the teachers receiving a nine percent raise last year. And now they want still more.

If students are asked to tighten their belts to help see the colleges through these hard times, then shouldn't teachers be asked to do their share?

A look at the State Center Community College District's 1982-83 budget is a real eye-opener. Salaries and benefits of the district's employees total almost \$22 million a year. That is a whopping 86 percent of the \$25.5 million budget! How much more do they want?

During negotiations with the district, the teachers union agreed the district would be unable to balance their budget. So they came up with several proposals to generate money for a teachers raise. When I saw their proposals, I got my second shock.

The teachers union proposed the elimination of summer school. They said it would save \$244,400. While the elimination of summer school will save money, it will hurt students. The effect on students who take summer classes to make up units they cannot take during the year is unthinkable.

The teacher's union also proposed the district "sell land not used for educational purposes or needed for campus growth." Specifically, the union proposed the sale of one-half of the farm at Kings River Community College and the sale of the large lot between the railroad tracks and Ratcliffe Stadium. The union said these sales would generate \$1.8 million. Again, students would suffer. Future agriculture students will find their program cut or eliminated by a 1983 teachers raise. And many students park in that large lot because they cannot afford parking stickers. If the lot is sold these students will be fighting for limited public parking on the already crowded city streets. (Unless the city council's resident sticker proposal passes—then FCC students will be parking in Kerman).

I am shocked the teacher's union would propose selling the farm to generate the money to give teachers a raise. The very idea of selling campus property to finance a pay-hike is absurd. Where does it end? Will the teachers want to sell the library or the music building to pay for their raise next year?

The teachers union said the district can save \$800,000 if the district sells the existing computer for \$1 million and buys a newer smaller one for \$200,000. Apparently, none of the teachers have gone through our new computer registration, which still has lots of bugs. Is it reasonable to assume that a newer, smaller and cheaper computer can do a better job?

The teachers union said the district can save another \$100,000 by adopting a four day school week (Monday through Thursday). Again the students would suffer. Many students work and spend a great deal of their time sandwiched between class hours and work hours. A four-day school week would make that even more difficult.

The teachers union also suggested by cutting the administration and support staff and by encouraging early retirement the district could save another \$750,000. In all, the teachers union proposals would generate \$3.5 million.

All of these proposals, including the absurd ones, are coming from the teachers union, a special interest group. We should recognize this. This group is trying to get all it can for its members.

And while it's true that SCCC teachers should make a decent wage the district has made it clear that no employees will get a raise this year. That includes classified, management, and sadly—teachers. But teachers salaries in the district are already above the state average. Do teachers really have it so bad?

So it is clear. The intention of the teachers union is to get more and more for the teachers while the students suffer. Remember, students are now paying fees to help pay for the teachers last raise. Soon we may be paying tuition. Will it ever end? Should the teachers get another raise at the expense of the students? Can't the teachers share some of the burden in these troubled times? Should students be asked to give, give, give, while the teachers take, take, take?

Sam Williams

## Rampage

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Dear Editor,

In response to last week's article "ASB and democracy" Ken Langerman stated a few good points to how students could do without ASB turmoil between senators. Even though Langerman is correct about the arguments between senators, I find his article disgraceful.

The (FCC) ASB senate is the hardest working senate in recent years. Being a senator is hard work and most members do work hard. Senators sacrifice their own valuable study time to represent students.

Last semester a fraction of the ASB members had to either drop a class or receive a "D" on their report card due to involvement in the ASB. Being involved in the ASB gives no reward or recognition for the time and effort members put into student representation. It's not fair to take advantage of the ASB when there is a disagreement. The only truth to Langerman's article is that there are a few senators who are angry with one another.

To over exploit the issue is unjustifiable and shows no respect to the ASB, which is working hard for the students of Fresno City College. Ken Langerman needs to attend ASB meetings to find out what is really going on before he starts writing false articles.

The ASB senate always tries to do their best despite their imperfections.

Steve Stewart

Dear Editor:

There's so much a college paper can do to stimulate the student body, to broaden their view and understanding of the world around them that it surprises me that the RAMPAGE isn't doing anything of the sort.

The layout is generally good, and you are to be commended for it, but the content of this semester's issues is just not up to college standards. "Student Works As Stuntman" is hardly a gripping headline, and "We Are Scared" was so broad in theme that no single issue could be unearthed beneath its sweeping generalizations.

In spite of this being a junior college (and contrary to popular opinion), I find in talking with students around campus that there are quite a few who are actually quite intelligent, and it seems sometimes that the RAMPAGE has forgotten about these folks.

So, the way this writer sees it, there are two ways to satisfy this rather large segment of the student body: 1) Change the format of the paper so the power and direction of its voice is more alive and challenging, or 2) Give me a column in the "Opinion" section so I can do the same.

It's a dirty job, and evidently none too desirable, but somebody's got to do it.

And if you decide not to do either, at least let me know so I can send you my twelve-page list of "Topics More Interesting Than 'Student Works As Stuntman.'" I'm always willing to help.

R.G.

I beg to differ with the editor on "Tuition killing the college" published in the last Rampage. I think something else is killing them.

The editorial says that the position of tuition will cause a drastic drop in enrollment. City as proof of this claim is the drop in enrollment this spring at Fresno City College. While the editor does not clearly make its point, assume the point is that the instructional materials fee caused the drop in enrollment. THERE IS NO RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE IMPOSITION OF THE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FEE AND THE DROP IN ENROLLMENT THIS SEMESTER.

In spite of the new fee, the number of applications for admission this spring at Fresno City College were at an all time high. FCC officials have estimated that not hundreds, but thousands, YET THOUSANDS, of potential students were turned away and denied an education this spring. Was this because they could not afford the new fee? No. It was because there simply were no classes for them to enroll in.

What we are seeing is not the repression of students due to fees but rather a deliberate and planned reduction in the number of classes offered by the college in order to meet the reductions in state funding. The reduction in funding, followed by a reduction in the number of classes, has been the pattern since 1977 when Proposition 13 passed. In 1977 the enrollment at Fresno City College was almost 20,000. Today we are half that size. This reduction in enrollment has occurred gradually semester by semester, little by little, a percentage here, a percentage there. There are almost 40 fewer classes offered now as when I started four semesters ago.

Brad Halderman

## UnFinnish Business

### The cat and gasoline



by Timo Tuovinen

My friend is a prominent joke teller.

People come up to him in parties and post office waiting lines with a straightforward request to tell a joke.

These humor-hungry individuals refuse to take an impending dentist's appointment as an excuse for him to leave. Most of the time my friend is stuck.

Lately, he has pulled me into his act as an assistant. I help him to tell the joke by inconspicuously asking the final question and creating the right mood for his punchline.

I consider this a great honor, since my experience as a comedian is limited to improving some of the lines on bathroom walls. I never memorize any of my jokes further than to a point where my audience got deeply involved with the story—a Source of endless frustration, may I add.

My friend starts his story somewhat like this:

"You should have heard what happened to our neighbor."

As an answer to the silent "WHAT" that fills the air, he continues: "He was eating his dinner with his cat, an old obese cat, colored orange. They had chicken. But so it happened that

the cat got a chicken bone caught in its throat. So our neighbor took the cat and held it upside down to clear its throat. But it didn't help, the cat still seemed like it was suffocating.

"So the neighbor tried to stick his fingers in the cat's throat but he couldn't retrieve the bone. By now the cat was turning blue under its orange hair.

"My friend was busy holding the suffocating cat (for some reason, suffocating cats seem to be ten times stronger than the ones that purr) and thinking what to do.

"Finally when the cat had scratched our neighbor's arms and torn his pants, he decided to give the cat something to make it cough. The only thing he could think of, was gasoline.

"Tossing the cat aside, our neighbor rushed to the garage and returned with a tank of gas. He forced the cat's mouth open and poured the gas in. (This was not too difficult, because the cat was almost unconscious by that time).

"But this is when the hell started. The cat jumped up and looked like it had got an electric shock. In a fierce leap it crossed the living room and spun around the carpet. Then it started running around the room, so fast it seemed to be half of the time on

the wall. This went on for some minutes, then the cat climbed the curtain, I swear," my friend convinces his attentive audience and goes on: "It ran back and forth on the curtain rack a few times and then, all of a sudden, fell down."

An awesome silence falls upon the room when everybody waits for my friend to finish his joke. This is where I come in and ask the vital question:

"Did it die?"

"No, it ran out of gas," my friend replies and gives a smile only a person who can remember over fifty jokes gives.

#### BLISS OF THE WEEK

All the thousands of lit flowers blooming in the dogwood trees along my way to a bus.

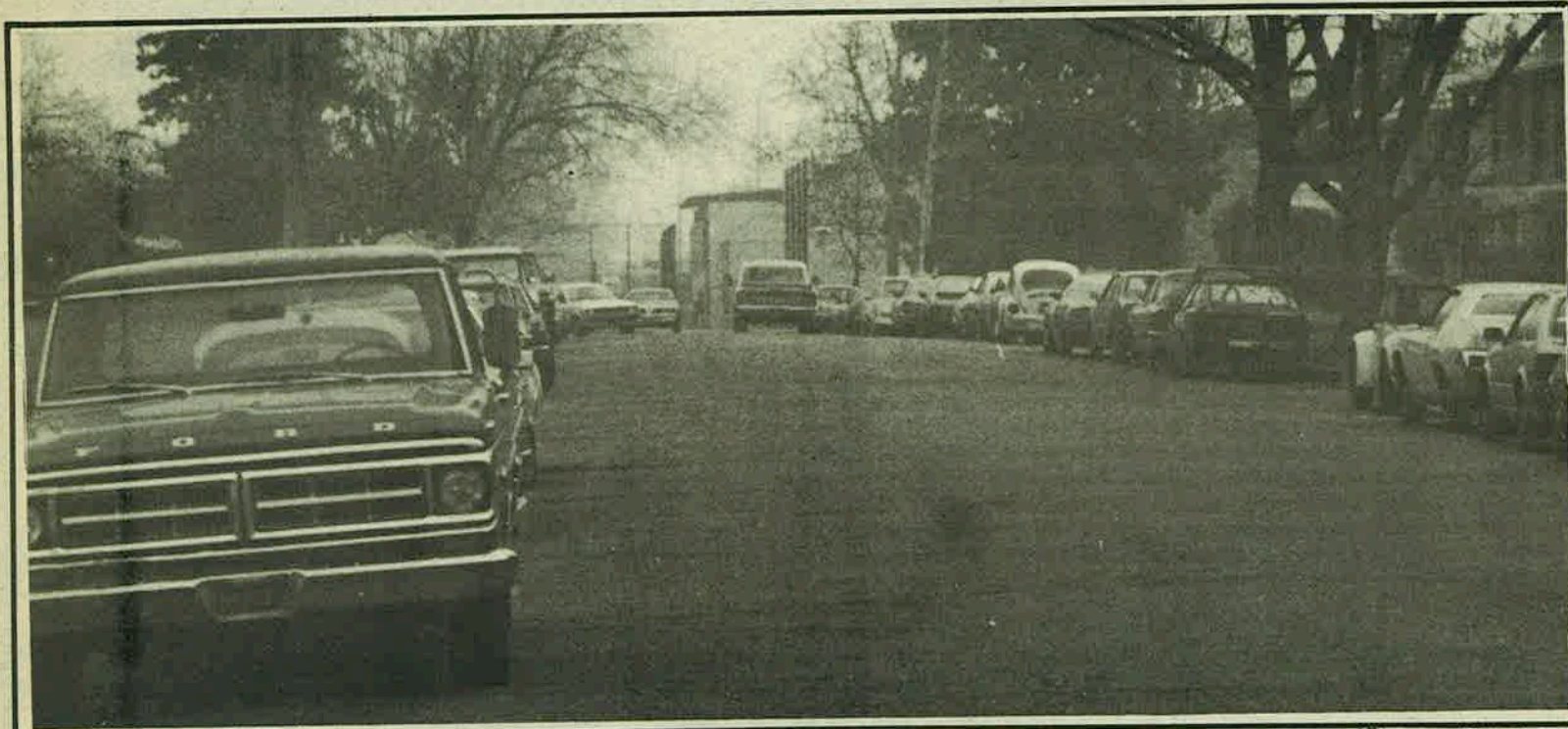
#### GAG OF THE WEEK

—What do you get when you take the wings off from a fly? —A walk.

#### BUMMER OF THE WEEK

The controversy that the Clovis High School paper ran when it attempted to publish articles about abortion indicated that there is no mutual agreement on the role of a student newspaper.





If local residents have their way, these cars will disappear — to where??

Rampage/Dan Immel

## Police Log

Campus Police officials received a complaint from the City District Attorney's office on Thursday, February 10, against Thomas Newell, a non-student, alleging that he used profanity in harrasing a female student near the administration building.

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Two students were apprehended in connection with a theft from the men's locker room last Thursday. Arrested were Joaquin Hobdy and John Maddox Jr. who are accused of locker thefts.

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Thieves forced their way through the window of a Chevy LUV pick-up in Lot Q and made off with a pair of 7" stereo speakers and cassette tapes last Friday. Value is estimated at \$262.

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A woman reported to police that the purse she had dropped under the bleachers in the gymnasium was picked up and taken by a man wearing a dark brown shirt and tan pants. Loss was \$100.

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Police had their hands full last Saturday when they arrested Abraham Tubbs, a non-student, on a number of charges. Tubbs was stopped by police after he had failed to stop for a stop sign at Glenn and Cambridge avenues. It was discovered that Tubbs was not in possession of his drivers license and he was also holding marijuana. Tubbs is also charged with resisting arrest and battery upon a peace officer.

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Hubcap thefts continued to plague the City College on Saturday when it was reported that hubcaps worth \$150 were removed from a 1981 Chevy Camaro parked in Lot Q.

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Hubcaps valued at \$200 were removed from a Mercury Cougar last Monday, March 14. A student reported that the vehicle was parked in Lot A at the time of the theft.

## Residents bid to Restrict Parking

by Dan Immel

It is a well known fact there is a parking problem at Fresno City College. Students, faculty and residents in the vicinity are well aware of it.

With on-campus parking lots filled to capacity by eight a.m. on school days, students who arrive later in the morning are forced to park on the residential streets near campus.

But if residents in the City College area have their way the parking problem could become even worse.

On March 1, homeowners around City College will ask the Fresno City Council to restrict non-resident parking.

Area homeowners are upset about the overcrowded streets, the noise and the frequent inability to park vehicles near their own homes.

"If we wanted to have a bridge party, a political coffee or a gathering after a funeral there is no place for our guests to park," explains Joan Selland, a homeowner on Cambridge Avenue.

Selland and her husband, Vernon, have lived in their Cambridge home for 14 years. Along with neighbors Dr. Gene and Nancy Towery, they have recently revived a move to restrict parking along the arteries surrounding City College.

"We know that this isn't going to be a 100 percent solution but we feel that we should be able to have access to our homes," said Nancy Towery, a former City College student. The Towery's have occupied their home on Cambridge for eight years.

There has been a few attempts in the past to impose some type of parking restriction in the neighboring streets but the plans have either failed or were not accepted by the City Council.

Only two years ago parking was restricted to one hour along Weldon and Cambridge avenues but it was determined to be too inconvenient to the residents themselves. Residents were being ticketed for parking in front of their own homes.

In 1980 the Fresno City Council adopted an ordinance that would restrict parking in an area that had need and if more than 50 percent of the residents approved of restricted parking along their streets.

The cost of restricting parking would be deferred to the resident by purchasing parking permits for the number of vehicles they own.

A recent example is the parking restrictions around Bulldog Stadium that were put into effect after area residents complained to the city council the overflow parking would jeopardize their space availability.

The residents are now charged for permits.

According to Campus Police Chief Kenneth Shrum there are roughly 2,500 parking stalls that are available on campus. Of those, about 500 are reserved for staff and 45-50 for handicapped parking.

During the 1983 spring semester alone 5,536 parking permits were sold to students and 173 permits sold to staff. The local figure does not include yearly permits that were sold last fall.

Shrum estimates the total number of permits sold is "in the range of 7,000."

"Of course with more than 2,500 students driving to school each day the excess goes into the streets around campus," said Shrum.

It is this excess which frequently causes inconveniences to residents in the area.

Driveways are often blocked and the streets so full residents are sometimes forced to park more than a block away from their homes.

"I understand that the lots are full at times especially in the morning and there is no other place to park. But then our position must be understood also," said Mrs. Towery.

The area under consideration to restrict parking is from Clinton to McKinley and from Wishon to the boundry created by the railroad tracks just east of campus.

The hours of restricted parking would be from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on school days only. During this time only vehicles with the proper permit would be allowed to park there.

According to Gene Towery at least 50 percent of the areas residents must approve the plan and he claims there is a sufficient number of signatures from residents on Weldon, Cambridge, and Yale avenues to present their proposal before the City Council on March 1.

"If we don't have a fifty-percent backing we won't be able to do this," said Dr. Towery.

Many of the homes in the area were built with inadequate driveways and garages and the growing problem has stymied the homeowners for years.

Not only are area residents faced with the difficulty of the lack of parking there have also been complaints by residents of harrasment and verbal abuse by students who block driveways and clog the streets.

"We have received numerous complaints from residents that have had run-ins with students. They have been threatened with bodily harm or having their houses burned down," said Shrum.

There is very little that the police can do about verbal abuse according to Shrum.

Shrum is quite sympathetic to the homeowners and says that there is also very little that he can

do to alleviate the parking situation.

"I have made suggestions to the district in the past," said Shrum, "but the district does not really have the money to do much about it."

One suggestion offered by Shrum is to develop the dirt lot on the west side of the campus across the railroad tracks. The college district owns the vacant lot from Weldon to McKinley however the lot remains unimproved.

Shrum estimates that a developed lot would accommodate up to 2,000 vehicles, enough that the congestion created by the overflow along the residential streets would not be as severe.

The City Council meeting to determine whether parking will be restricted or not will be held Tuesday, March 1, at 4:30 p.m.

## Former senator Knipper explains his resignation

by Ken Langerman

Three weeks time has passed since the attempted impeachment of ASB president, David Pinuelas. Mark Knipper, a former ASB senator, gives his reasons for resigning from the senate.

Knipper contends that Pinuelas not only misused the student senate's funds, but also failed to show any signs of representation to students. He said that during the meeting regarding Pinuelas, he was called out of order on several occasions when he tried to make a point to the ASB members.

"They are tired of hearing about the issue, and more interested in less important issues," said Knipper. Knipper admits that he was wrong to have left the meeting at the time and the way that he did, being overtaken by emotions.

Knipper addressed his thoughts about the way the senate was operating in Pinuelas' case as well as other issues.

"I strongly urge you (the senate) not to vote for materials fees," said Knipper, "you did anyway and some neglected to vote. If you condone what David (Pinuelas) has done, then you can forget about the obligation I made to you (the senate) as a whole."

Knipper feels that the decision to impeach Pinuelas should have

been a unanimous one. He said Pinuelas knowingly misused the senate's fund and Lee Farley's credit card; and only when he was caught did he promise to reimburse the senate.

"I feel as though, by resigning, it has untied my hands," said Knipper. "Pinuelas has been a poor representative and refuses to work within his own cabinet."

Knipper suggested to the senate that they vote Pinuelas out as President, and call for a special election which Pinuelas could run if he desires to. He said that the student body should be allowed to choose who will be their voice instead of "a bunch of white kids who are practicing to be junior bureaucrats, with a few token blacks and hispanics thrown in for good measure."

In other issues, Knipper contended that administrators receive a \$1,000 a year average increase in salaries while instructors often go without any cost of living increases. He said that there are three administrators for every one instructor, adding that 60 classes were cancelled last semester due to lack of funds not lack of enrollment.

When asked if he was still firm on his views on tuition, Knipper said that he was now free to become more committed with the

group, "Students opposing tuition." He said that, according to the Administration, classified workers at FCC are asked to start paying for their own benefits, because of insufficient funds.

Knipper contended that Pinuelas was disinterested in matters such as increased bookstore prices, and that he (Pinuelas) was basically representing himself and the Administration. He said that Pinuelas was merely a "figure-head" not truly representing the senate or the student body.

According to Knipper, he would return to the senate if and when Pinuelas leaves, either by resignation or impeachment.

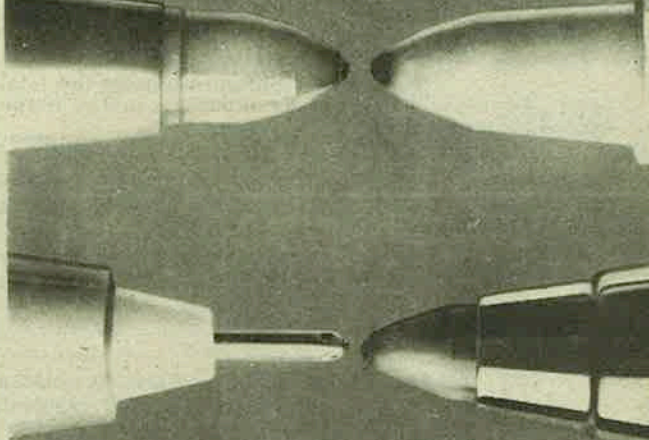
Knipper says that the senate is under Pinuelas who, as ASB president, is really just a "puppet" for the administration. He said that the administration tells the faculty there aren't enough funds for a salary increase.

According to Knipper, Ratcliffe Stadium was originally intended to be torn down after it was bought from Fresno State but now receives mystery funds from a hidden surplus. He said that \$64,000 was put into the "Rally For Ratcliffe" project.

According to Knipper, there will be a statewide rally against tuition and a debate with the administration on March 1st.



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# RamNet ... a piece of the action

By Denise Bartlett

Excited fans were crowding around the doors of the Fresno City College gym, trying to squeeze in as the announcement came that there was no more room inside.

As the frustrated people were being turned away, a ball was tossed onto the court and the FCC basketball team went to work against Merced team.

Others also went to work.

Earlier in the day the crew had been busy rolling out wires, setting up monitors and positioning cameras; for not one shot would go by unrecorded by the dedicated volunteers of RamNet, FCC's TV production team.

"RamNet offers me a lot of experience," said Dave Dinubilo, who is seeking a career in electronics. Dave was running one of the cameras at the Merced game.

Another RamNet member,

Riggs Hohmann, is also an electronics major. He looked down from his camera and said: "This has become a sort of a hobby."

Riggs owns video equipment himself, and sees RamNet as a way to get more experience.

The "driving forces" behind RamNet are Mark Aydelotte and Jim Alvernaz, both of the public information office.

"It's fun, and it's worth it," said Jim of his time spent on the production. "I enjoy working with

the people who are involved... and it is a real satisfaction to see a production come off smoothly."

"I feel so good to see the show finished," agreed one volunteer. "It really makes me feel proud."

Aydelotte and Alvernaz can both be seen running around at the games; Mark checking a monitor here, Jim making sure that the announcer has the right stats there.

According to Mark Aydelotte, the college owns all of the equipment that RamNet uses. "It's a sort of string and bailing wire production, but it's all workable," Aydelotte said. It is the people however, that make it work.

There have been some 45 volunteers involved in RamNet since it began recording FCC events in 1981. The people involved are student volunteers, with a variety of majors, and people from the outside community.

One of the community volunteers is Woody James who does the play-by-play announcing for RamNet. He was formerly a sports announcer for KBAK-TV in Bakersfield.

James could be seen monitoring every movement on the court during the Merced game, occasionally glancing at the monitor where the final TV-picture appeared. Throughout the game he spiced his commentary with great enthusiasm.

The feeling one has in the gym press box is one of intense concentration. All around you people are straining to get a descriptive line on their notebook, of a good shot of the action on tape.

Just imagine the concentration when trying to follow a basketball in the midst of fast moving players in the camera's viewfinder, which is the size of a matchbox.

One camera was stationed on the floor of the gym, and the other one was up in the press box. At halftime the cameramen traded positions. This helps to prevent eye strain or "eye burnout," as the cameramen put it.

RamNet season begun with football games.

Hours before the game the crew could be seen lugging the heavy equipment up the countless stairs of the press box.

Sports have been the main focus of RamNet, but there have been other productions, too. Last year, RamNet did a news digest of campus events, a concert feature on the FCC Orchestra, a program on registration, and a program on the Anthropology Museum on campus.

Aydelotte said that he would like to see more interest generated on campus about RamNet.

The future for RamNet is looking bright.

Bill Seaburg, Director of the Media Center, said there are plans to get a low power television broadcasting station on campus. An application to the Federal Communications Commission has been filed. The station must be approved by the Commission, before the construction can begin. Approval may take a year. Once the license is granted, the station could be operational within a year or so.

Seaburg explained that since RamNet already has much of the necessary equipment, it would not cost much to get the station running.

RamNet already has two cameras in its use, but in order to broadcast in air, better quality cameras will have to be purchased. According to Seaburg, the advantage of being a primarily educational station will be that the cameras FCC must purchase, will not cost nearly as much as the ones that commercial stations must use.

But all of that is for the future.

For now, FCC has an alternative to being turned away from the doors when the action gets hot on the court, or on the football field.

At present, if you don't want to sit in a hot, smelly gym, but don't either want to miss the action, there is a solution.

Just catch the RamNet broadcasts on Fresno Cable TV channel 10 at 6 p.m. on Fridays.

## Huey Lewis and the News charges an 'amped' crowd

by Mark Taylor

When an audience is amped and a band is ready to feed it the energy it deserves, the result is an evening of hot, sweaty, happy rock and roll dancers.

The News, along with Huey Lewis, provided the electrical charge for an unforgettable evening at the Star Palace last Saturday night.

I stress the News because it was the music, the instrumental playing, that was the main force of good steady reeling rock.

Huey Lewis performed fine and related to the crowd well, but the band was the essence of the good precise music that was produced.

Special note goes to the News' lead guitarist, who looked like a rat and played like the devil. On countless occasions he tirelessly displayed feats of guitar work almost in comparison to Eddy Van Halen, with the same type of rousing, raunchy, intricate ear splitting tones.

A couple of times Huey Lewis

kicked back below the drum set while an entranced audience was mesmerized at the flailing fingers that traveled up and down the shaft of the lead guitar. The man just got down.

The News was surprising because it surrounds itself with a simple ensemble of just a couple of guitars, a bass, drums and a dash of piano, with some good sax thrown in here and there.

Yet they produce an incredible diverse amount of material, with simple catchy lyrics.

Another surprising aspect of their music came about in the middle of the show. When all five members of the band put their instruments away and harmonized, hitting every note for that matter, on an oldster song called "Working on a chain gang."

The audience, prejudiced to dance rock, surprisingly got into it.

It's a shame the opening band, though original, couldn't supply the crowd with what they wanted.

They came from San Francisco, Page One was their name, and it seemed like Journey or April Wine

were their guiding forces in the development of their music.

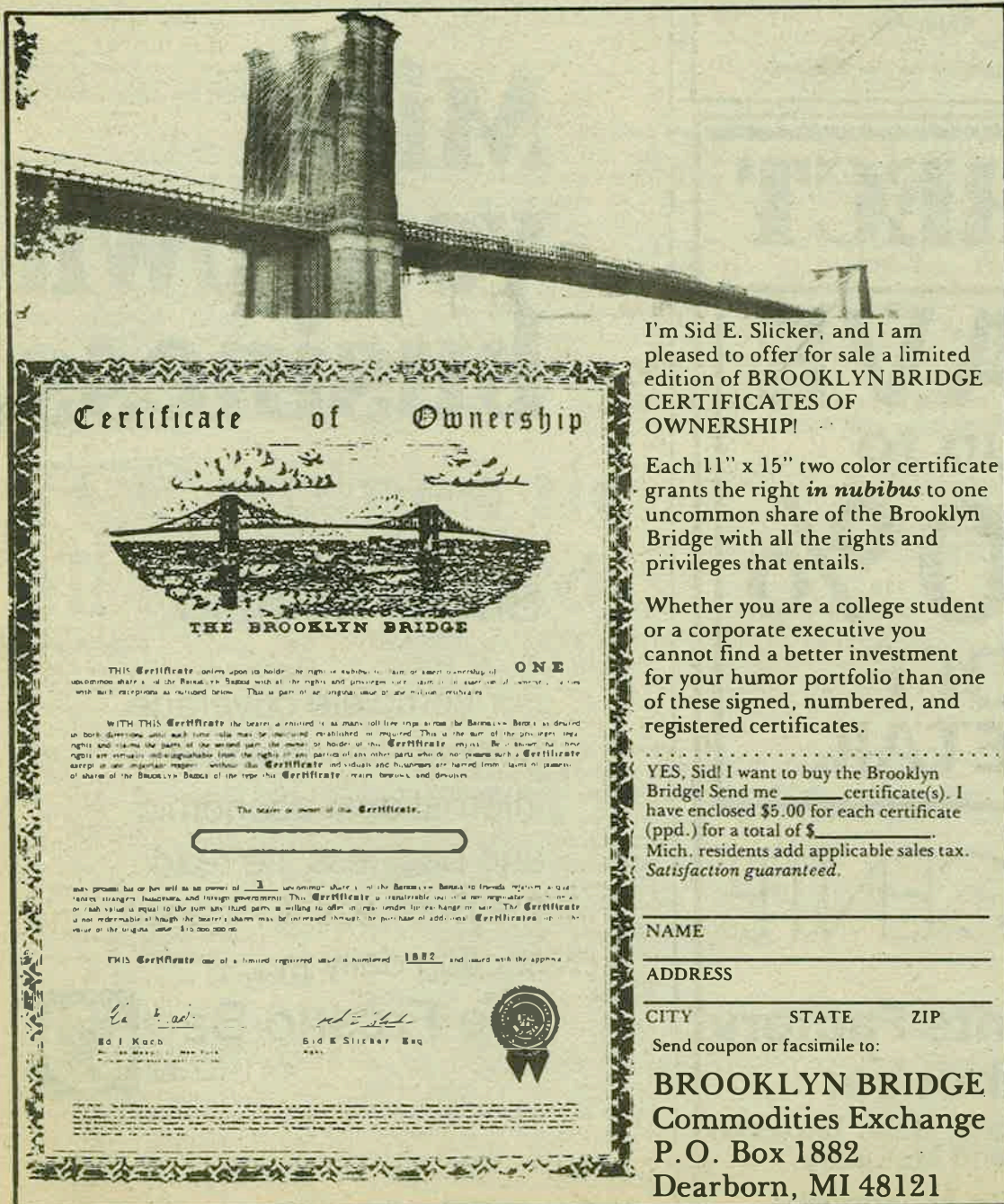
The lyrics, which covered sex and love and love and sex, were very, very blah and simple. With words such as "I love it when you call my name... Yes I really go insane," it seems Page One is trying the simple formula of Steve Perry's writing but getting even more simple and more blah.

All in all Page One gets an A for originality and also an A for their exotic bass player who shook her hips very well, but the band gets a C in overall performance because they were very limited.

But the evening belonged to Huey Lewis and the News. They were the band everyone wanted to see and they proved their professionalism song after song.

Even the very last moment of the concert was hair-raising. The News ended with lights flashing everywhere, like a convict escaping from prison, and Huey Lewis shouting, "You just heard the News."

It was the best news I've heard in a long time.



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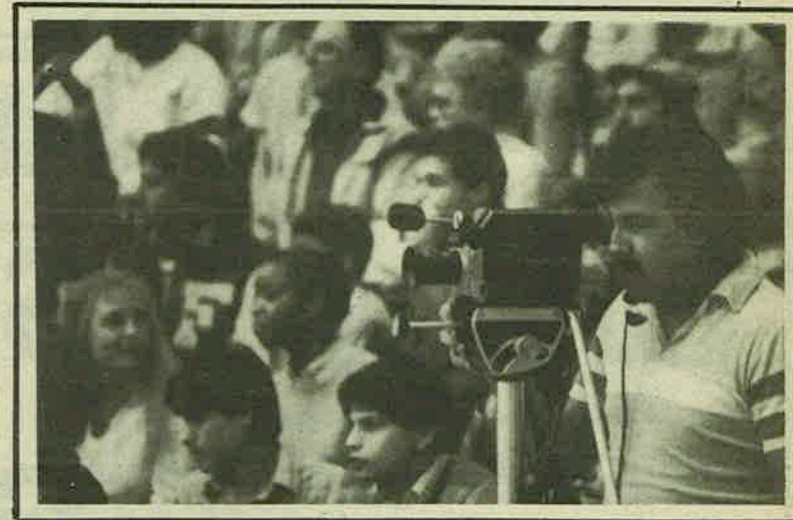
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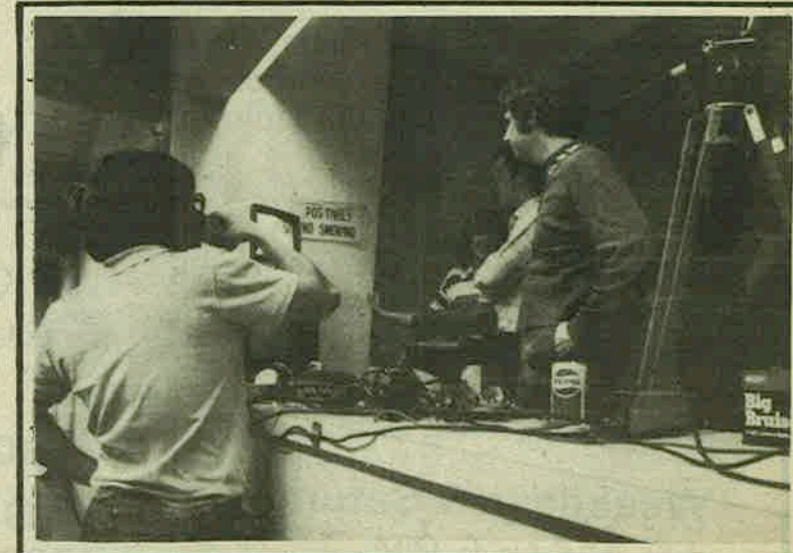
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Jesse Duran works as a cameraman during a recent RamNet telecast.



RamNet crew reviews videotapes of the Rams' victory over the Blue Devils.



## Ratcliffe Stadium least advanced

by Griselda Mares

"Ratcliffe Stadium was once known for being one of the most advanced stadiums in the country. But since synthetic surfaces emerged, it has become one of the least advanced stadiums," said track coach Bob Fries.

Rally for Ratcliffe is an organization attempting to raise the needed \$950,000 to update the athletic facilities. Future plans for the stadium include a nine lane all-weather championship track, plus a track and field drainage system.

The clay track at Ratcliffe is nearly 59 years old and consists of only six lanes instead of the needed nine lanes. There is no drainage system which makes practice for track and field athletes a difficult and devastating task.

According to track coach Ken Dose, two of Fresno City College

track meets will have to be held at CSUF due to extensive flooding of the track and field. "Ratcliffe Stadium is one of the few stadiums that has no all-weather track," said Fries.

"Out of 25 practices athletes have only been able to use the stadium five times and the other practices have had to be held at other schools," said Dose.

"The track and field improvements are a very needed facility. It will serve the community in many ways," said Dose. He also added that the community uses the stadium for various events such as the Special Olympics, Ram Youth Camp, concerts, and other community events. Improvements toward the stadium would not only benefit FCC athletes but also everyone in the community.

## Unauthorized solicitation

Fresno City College officials report a young man has been conducting an unauthorized solicitation in the name of the college.

According to Carl Waddle, dean of the college's humanities division, a man in his early 30's has been selling a "coupon book" door-to-door assertedly to aid the arts program at Fresno City College.

Waddle said the college is conducting no such solicitation.

Persons who are contacted by this man are asked to contact the Fresno Police Department.

Waddle said the college does operate a fundraising campaign called "The Friends of the Arts," however that campaign does not do any door-to-door solicitation.

Any person who has a question about a fundraising campaign should contact the college public information office at 442-8257.

### ENABLER CLUB

There will be a meeting for the new Enabler Job Club on February 25th in the student services building room 202 D at 11:00.

The focus of the new club is to help students learn job skills, how

to get a job, and how to keep one.

The club will also provide potential employers job ready referrals.

The Enabler Job Club is open to all interested students and is sponsored by Art Martinez and Jeanette Imperatrice of Enabler services.

## Go float a boat

A class in sailing will be offered through the Fresno City College community services program beginning March 2.

The class will continue through April 6 and includes four four-hour Saturday sessions at Millerton Lake.

The class will emphasize small boat recreational sailing, and includes classroom instruction as well as on-the-water demonstration and practice.

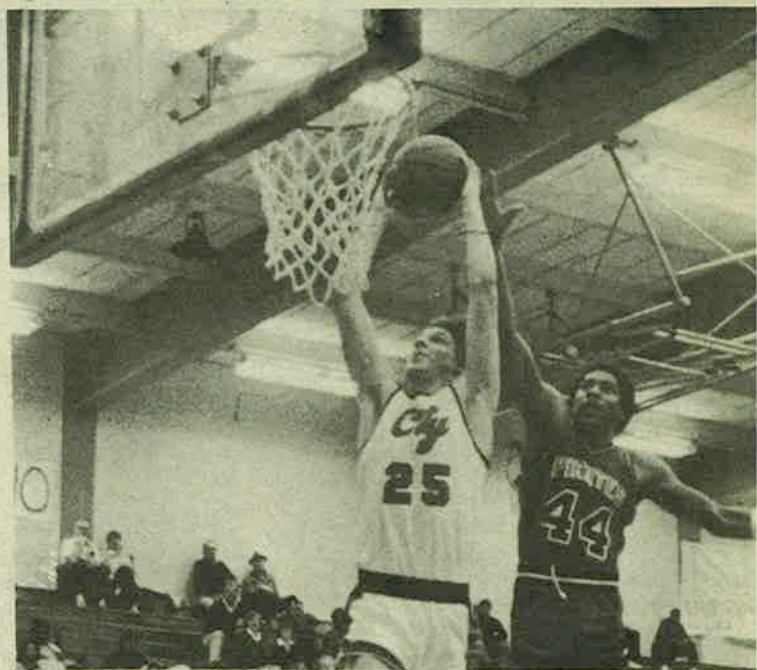
The fee for the sailing class is \$35 per person. Registration information is available through the City College community services office at 442-8256.

## Do you know?

### QUIZ

1. What product used the slogan "99 and 44/100 percent pure"?
2. What is the elevation at the Fresno Air Terminal?
3. What does the abbreviation SNAFU stand for?
4. What was Howdy Doody first called, and when did he first appear on television?
5. What famous comedian's real name was Claude Dukenfield?
6. What two presidents died July 4, 1826?
7. What type of animal is an ant cow?
8. What is impaired when a person has anosmia?
9. What country is located between France and Spain?
10. What is the exact length of marathon?

answers on the last page



Rampage/Terry Piers

The Rams' Tom Alfaro soars high en route scoring another two points.

## Columbia upsets Ram hoopsters

COLUMBIA--The Columbia Claimjumper used hot shooting from the field in the first half, and good free throw shooting in the second, to upset the Rams 74-73 last Saturday night in a Central Valley Conference game played in Columbia.

The loss dropped the Rams record to 10-2 in the CVC, 24-4 overall. The loss also dropped the Rams back into the second place position in the conference standings behind Merced, who improved their league record to 11-1 by defeating West Hills 87-71.

Columbia connected on 20 of 29 attempts from the field in the first half for 69 percent accuracy. In the

second half, it was the Rams who got hot. FCC made 21 field goals compared to only six by Columbia. But the Claimjumper made 17 of 23 free throws in the final half to hold off the rallying Ram club.

Leading the offensive attack for Columbia was guards Mauri Smith and John Maloney. Smith collected 17 points in the first half and added seven in the second half to end the night with 24. Maloney added 25 points for Columbia, lead all scorers.

Cye Adams was the leading scorer for the Rams with 24 points. Darryl Morgan and Andre Patterson also scored in double digits for the Rams, scoring 16 and 12 points respectively.

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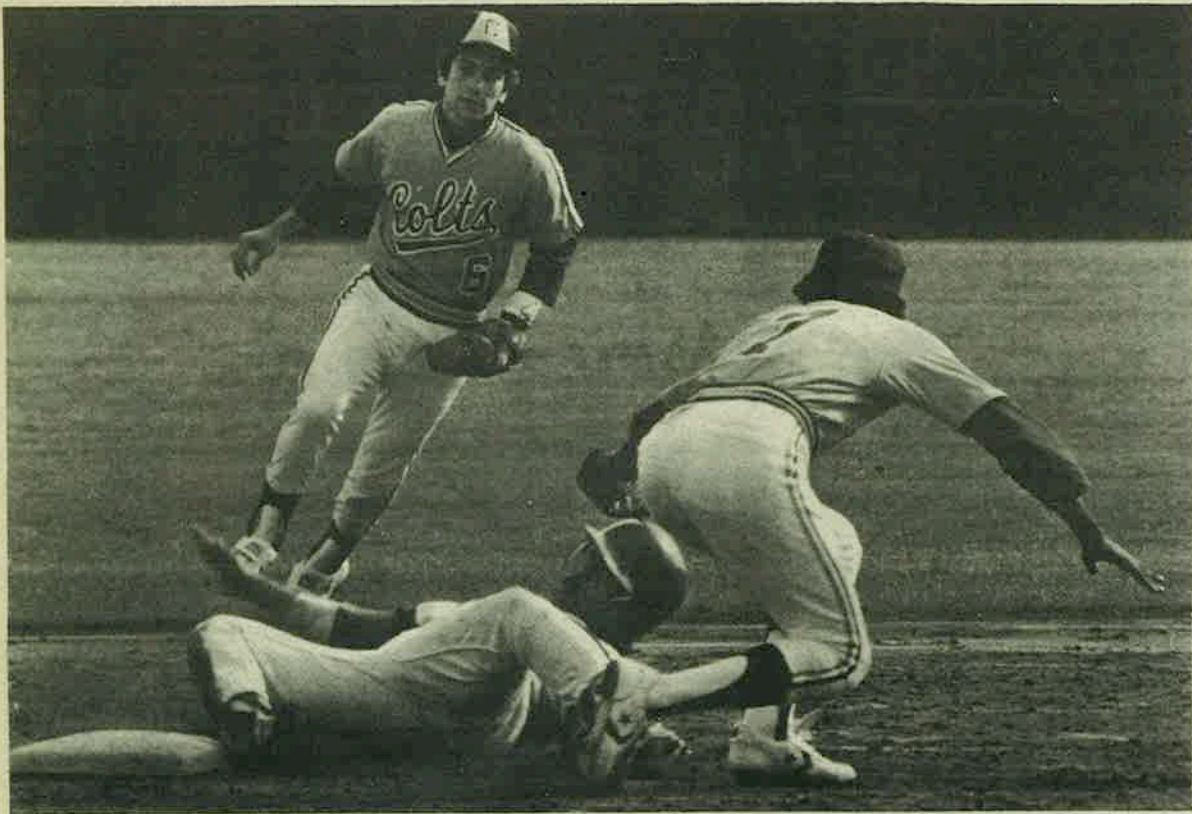
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Rampage/Terry Pierson

Ram shortstop Mike Ramirez slides hard into second base while attempting to steal second in a game against Canada.

## Rams split pair in tourney

by Tom Ferrall

**VISALIA**—Fresno City College designated hitter Tom Vickers blasted two homeruns to help power the Rams to a 7-4 victory over Chabot College. The win gave the Rams a two-game split last Saturday in the second day of the 26th annual College of the Sequoias Baseball Tournament.

Vickers led off the third inning for the Rams by hitting the first pitch from Chabot pitcher Steve Vasquez over the left field fence, giving his team a 1-0 lead. In the next inning with Ram third baseman David Green on second after hitting a double, Vickers proved that lightning does strike twice. He drilled another Vasquez fast-ball 400 feet, giving the Rams a 3-0 lead.

"I wasn't looking for the long ball, I was just trying to make contact. Both pitches were fast-balls right over the plate, great pitches to hit," commented Vickers following the game.

The seventh inning was the most explosive offensively for the Rams, as the club scored four runs on four hits. Right fielder Terry Sumrall hit a two run double, and Green added a single to score him and secure the Ram victory.

Pitcher Bill Bartels picked up the win, lifting his record to 1-1. Bartels gave up six hits over seven innings, struck out five and allowed four runs. Freshman James Hobson pitched the eighth and final inning for the Rams. The game was stopped after eight innings because of a 2½ hour time limit. Hobson preserved the win by getting three Chabot batters to fly out.

In the second game on Saturday against Golden West, the Rams lost a heartbreaker. With the score tied at 1-1 after nine innings, the game was forced into extra frames. In the bottom of the tenth, with two outs, Golden West third baseman Bob Grandstaff smashed a three run homer to give the Rustlers a 4-1 victory.

It was the second tough loss the Rams suffered in as many days. Last Friday the Rams gave up two runs in the bottom of the ninth in a 2-1 loss to Canada College.

The Rams missed a couple of great opportunities to win the game. In the top of the first, the Rams had the bases loaded with no outs and failed to score. In the top of the tenth with runners at first and second and no outs, the Rams again failed to get a run across the plate.

Ram catcher Russ Harris had a great day defensively, throwing out five of six potential base stealers. Harris also had a good day as far as on base percentage is concerned. He reached base safely six times out of eight trips to the plate. Harris batted two for five, walked three times, and reached first on an error.

Ram pitcher Mike Daniels threw a really good game, but unfortunately didn't get any offensive support from his teammates. After nine complete innings, Daniels had only given up one run on five hits, and struck out five. Normally a performance like that will bring a pitcher a win. In the tenth, Daniels hung a curve ball and Grandstaff belted it out of the park, giving Golden West the win and turning Daniels strong performance sour.

The Rams finished the tournament with a 2-2 record, tied for second place with Bakersfield, Canada, and COS. Golden West was the tournament champion, finishing with a perfect 4-0 mark.

### FCC Baseball Schedule for this week

Friday, Feb. 25—FCC vs. Cabrillo, 3 p.m. at John Euleuss  
Saturday, Feb. 26—FCC vs Cabrillo 11 a.m. at John Euleuss  
Thursday, March 3—FCC vs. Porterville, 2:30 p.m. at John Euleuss

## FCC women tie all time record

by Mike Bledsoe

Coach Chuck Stark's women's basketball team tied a school record February 16 after defeating the Porterville College Pirates. The ladies now have 23 wins this season, tying the record set by the 1977-78 Ram team. The team improved their Central Valley Conference record to 8-2.

The Rams pretty much shut out the Pirates in the first half. The score at the midpoint was Fresno City College 51, Porterville College 25. Tammy Thomason contributed 18 points by the half. The Rams shot with 53.8 percent accuracy (7 for 13) from the free throw line in the first period.

The Rams continued their outstanding playing in the second half. Some excellent fast breaks by Yvonne Shoals and Yvette Shoals were observed. The Rams scored 43 points in the half, compared to

the Pirates' 34 points. The final score read Fresno City College 94, Porterville College 59.

The Ram women had a better shooting percentage from the field than the Pirates in the second half. The Rams dropped 21 of 47 shots through the hoop (44.6 percent), compared to Porterville's 13 for 34 (38.2 percent). The Pirates outshot the Ram women, percentage wise, from the free throw line. Porterville shot with 53.3 percent accuracy from the line (8 for 15). The Rams shot with 33 percent accuracy (1 for 3) from the stripe.

Tammy Thomason contributed four additional points in the second half to claim Fresno City College's high scorer position with 22 points. Also scoring in double digits were Yvette Shoals with 19, Yvonne Shoals with 15 and Brenda Frazier with 14 points.

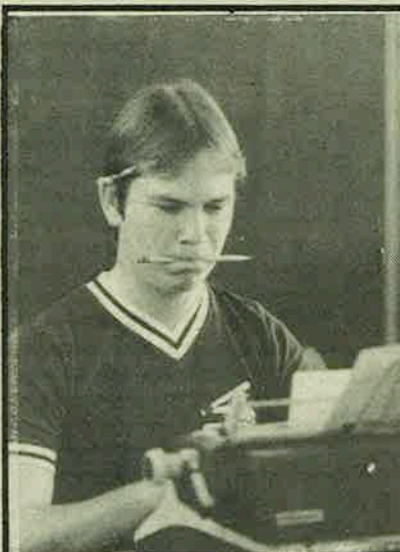
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## SPORTS

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## Chew and spit are related

by Tom Ferrall

With the coming of spring comes baseball, and with the coming of baseball comes chewing tobacco, and with chewing tobacco comes spit, and with spit comes disgusted looks on many people's faces.

Baseball players and chewing tobacco go together like Phyllis Diller and ugliness. After working around professional baseball players for two years now, I've seen a lot of brands of tobacco and many different types of chewers.

Red Man chewing tobacco seems to be the favorite leaf tobacco among players, while Copenhagen seems to be the number one choice in the snuff category. Snuff is finely ground tobacco which is placed usually between the lip and gum. Or as Walt Garrison would say, "just a pinch between my cheek and gum gives me full tobacco flavor."

Red Man and other leaf tobaccos can be found in huge wads in either the left or right cheeks of ball players. Usually, if a player is right handed, he will chew on the right side of his mouth, if he's a lefty he'll chew on his left side.

Like I said, there are many different types of chewers. I will briefly try to describe a few of these characters to you.

First, there is the "first time chewer." He's the one with the green face, and can be found on his knees praying to the porcelain god. The reason he finds himself in this predicament is because he forgot one very important face. Never swallow chew juice!!

Next, to the opposite extreme, there is the "compulsive chewer". He begins his day with a 'breakfast dip' from his can of Copenhagen, and ends it with a 'night cap chew' from his pouch of Red Man. He spits on the average about two gallons of saliva a day, and his teeth look as though they've been sitting in a cup of strong coffee for nine months. His gums... oh, excuse me. I forgot, he doesn't have gums any more.

The most colorful, or should I say most disgusting player, is the "slob chewer". A steady stream of tobacco juice constantly flows from the corners of his mouth. The juice trickles down his chin, and drop after drop falls onto his nice white uniform. By the time the game is over, he resembles a jockey who has just finished riding in a race on a sloppy track. The slob chewer never misses an opportunity to spit on national television.

There's always a showoff in the crowd, which brings us to the "cocky chewer." He boasts about being able to spit and hit a fly from twenty feet away. After getting in an argument with an umpire while chewing, he brags about how the umps face resembled that of a kid with chicken pox when he got done telling him off. The cocky chewer tries to hit anything that flies or moves. He lives by the motto "If it flies, I can hit it in the eye."

Last, but not least is the "glutton chewer." This player chews tobacco a pouch at a time, and looks like he has a bowling ball in his cheek. Many times he has a huge wad of tobacco on each side of his mouth, along with a huge dip of snuff in his lower lip. At the young age of 25, his cheeks sag like those of an old fat grandmother. This condition resulted from the constant stretching his cheeks have undergone because of the huge wads he chews.

Many people find this habit of chewing tobacco very disgusting. Personally, it doesn't bother me. At least this habit doesn't make you cough, or give you lung cancer. It's true that chewing tobacco and spitting isn't a pretty habit, however, I don't find watching smoke escape from a person's mouth and nose too visually stimulating either. And at least baseball players don't have that awful smoker's breath.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I think I'll go have a "chaw."

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### FCC Softball & Tennis Off to Good Start

The FCC women's softball team swept a double-header from Gavilon College last Saturday in Hollister, by scores of 13-5 and 6-4. The wins lifted the women's record to 3-1.

The Ram team was led by freshman Robin Moreno who went 5 for 6 on the day. Moreno scored four runs and drive in three. She had three hits in the first game and added two more in the second.

Watch out Pete Rose, here comes Robin!

The Ram tennis team also got off to a good start last Friday and Saturday by placing second behind American River College in the annual Modesto Junior College tennis tournament.

Ram netters George DeVries (the Rams No. 1 player), Mike Lantis (the Rams No. 2 player), and Matt Carlson (the Rams No. 4 player) all reached the finals in singles play. Lantis however was the only one who came away victorious. Lantis defeated Mark Pitcher of Diablo Valley, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6.

In doubles play, Lantis and teammate Alan Guthrie won five matches and reached the semifinals. Even though they fell in straight sets in the semifinals, it was a strong showing by the Ram duo.

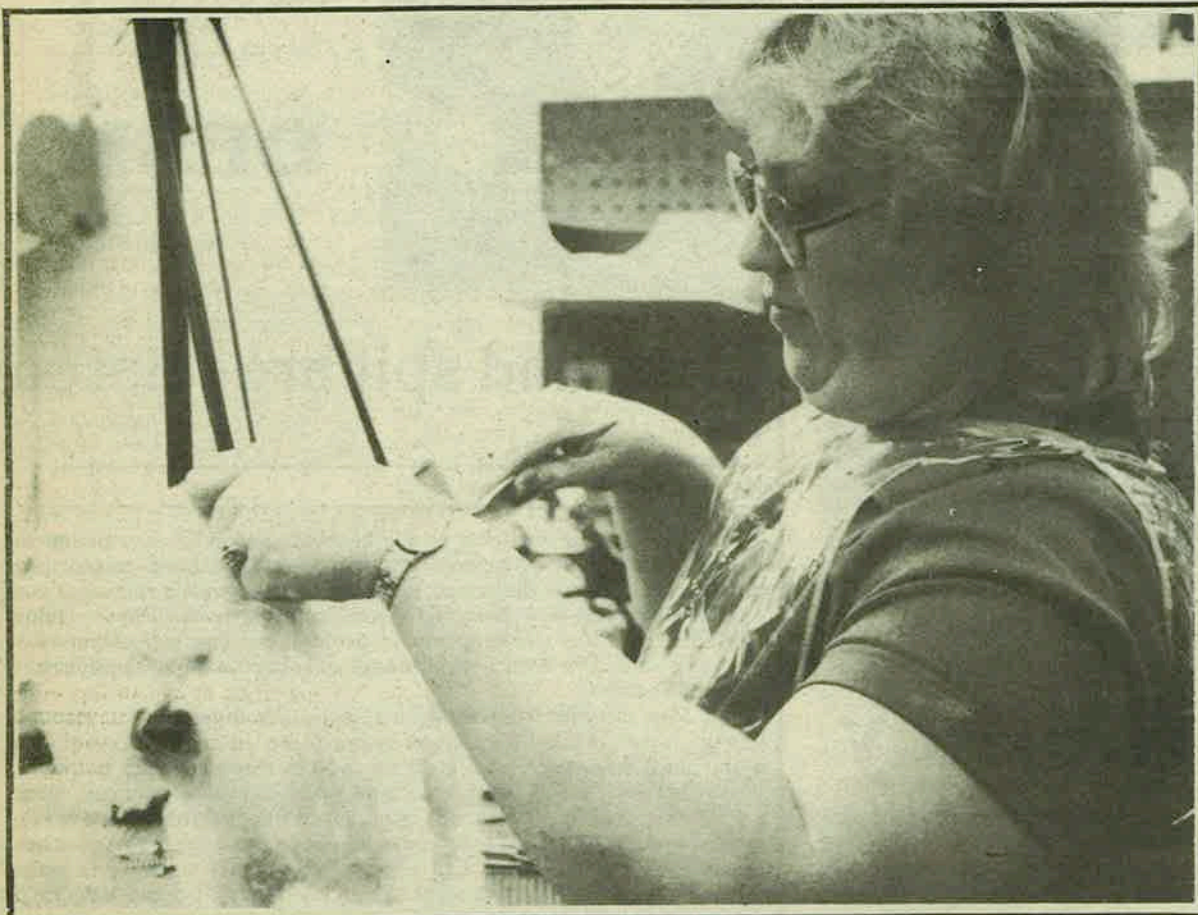
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### Sports Quote of the week

Ed Badger, University of Cincinnati basketball coach, explaining why he often throws his coat to complain about calls by officials: "I do it so that the label is showing and the crowd can see it. My tailor likes that."



## Those fabulous poodles



"Get your grubby paws off me, lady!"

Rampage/Sam Owens



"Yes, I know I'm beautiful!"

Rampage/Sam Owens

## Poodles primp at parlor

by Veronica Reyes

Ann and Betty's Poodle Parlor is a place where dogs can get all the love in the world they would want.

Ann Schoetker has been grooming dogs for 22 years and she says she really enjoys it. She has never met a dog she didn't like but, she says, "every dog is a challenge."

"When grooming dogs, you do the best you can do," says Schoetker. "And 99 percent of the time the owner is satisfied."

Schoetker believes that dogs are very important in the shaping of a child's character. Children need something to have responsibility for and to care for. Schoetker thinks they can learn love from having a pet. She stresses how important they are.

"If you are not loving with animals how can you be loving with your fellow man?" asks Schoetker.

Schoetker has two poodles. She got her first dog when she was six weeks old. She grew up with dogs and so did her sons.

When grooming the dogs that people bring in Schoetker and her partner bathe them, dry them and

brush their hair, cutting when necessary. The dogs are also given a manicure.

One satisfied customer said that he had 11 poodles and "you couldn't take money and buy any of them." He also said "people who don't like animals should have their heads examined."

Schoetker said that cats are more independent than dogs so it is much better to have dogs than cats.

"You could beat or starve a dog but he won't run away. A cat would leave immediately," said Schoetker. She said people think that the dogs need them but a psychiatrist said recently that "it is more of an attachment to the dog than the owner."

When Schoetker is finished with the poodles they are new people. Soft, clean, fluffy, and happy.

Dee Pettineli, owner of Poodletown USA, has been grooming dogs for 18 years.

Pettineli first got interested in dog grooming when she would see her dog in distress. She said that when she took him to be groomed

he would come home and run around the house. So she decided to start learning how to groom the dog by herself.

Poodletown USA which is a dog groom "beauty shop" is run "exactly like a beauty shop," said Pettineli.

"It is by appointment only."

"The dogs are happy to come in and look forward to getting a trim," said Pettineli.

The dogs are first given a pretrim by one of the six groomers and then given two or three baths depending on how dirty the dog is.

Robbie Swinnock, one of the bathers, said that most dogs do not need more than two baths since most of them are regulars. Swinnock said that it is hard work but "I love it." She also said that she would not give it up for anything.

All of the dogs that come in are given a lot of love and care. They wait for their owners to come and pick them up after they are finished. Sometimes their owners do not recognize them, especially if they come in extra dirty or shaggy.

Mark Riley, an ASB senator, as provided a list of people to whom letters may be written concerning tuition.

These are the addresses of federal and state elected officials serving the San Joaquin Valley.

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S.I. Hayakawa, Republican; 3080 E. Olive Ave., Fresno 93701 6217 New Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510

### State senators

Ken Maddy, Republican, 14th District; Security Bank Building, 1060 Fulton Mall, Suite 1310, Fresno 93721 3074 State Capitol, Sacramento 95814

Rose Ann Vuich, Democrat, 15th District; 120 W. Tulare St., Dinuba 93618; Fresno Air Terminal, 2002 N. Gateway Ave., Suite 111, Fresno 93727; 5091 State Capitol, Sacramento 95814

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### So says the VA...

BIG GEORGE  
By Virgil Parich



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2. 331 feet
3. Situation normal, all fouled up.
4. Elmer; 1947
5. W.C. Fields
6. John Adams and Thomas Jefferson
7. An aphid
8. The sense of smell.
9. Andorra.
10. 26 miles, 385 feet.

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