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Board Lets Vista Split Move to Public Vote

By Momo Chang
Contributing Writer

The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges voted yesterday to allow the Alameda County voters in the Peralta Community College District to decide by referendum whether Vista College can gain its independence from Peralta Community College.

About 40 Vista College students were present at the meeting, most of whom were in favor of the de-annexation, which entails the separation of the school, Vista College, from its district, Peralta.

"(Board members) could have stopped the process all together," said Howard Perdue, the Peralta District's dean of admissions and marketing. "They voted to allow the voters in all six Peralta District cities to decide in June 1998."

Following the 11-3 vote yesterday in Sacramento, voters in Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, Oak-

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Will Work for Food



Staff/Dan Jung

BERKELEY RESIDENT Jorge Melendez and his daughter Sabrina put one of UC Berkeley's resident squirrels through its paces with the promise of a tasty treat at the campus's West Crescent yesterday.

Fraternity Rituals Stir Suspicious Of Hazing

■ Greeks stress 'benign' intentions

By Z. Byron Wolf
Contributing Writer

As this year's fall fraternity pledges enter their initiation period this week, fraternity brothers must ponder what sorts of initiation activities constitute outlawed hazing.

The popular mythology surrounding fraternity hazing evokes pictures of forced drinking and humiliation of pledges. However, there are disputes over whether one house's practice of asking pledges to light a match and recite the names of every brother by the time the flame reaches their fingers is outlawed, or simply a way to make sure pledges are committed to the house.

Hazing is defined by UC Berkeley Greek advisor Tom Durein as "any action taken or situation created which produces mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule."

Durein stressed that this definition is applicable to all campus-sponsored organizations and said that there is a common misconception that hazing takes place only in fraternities. He added that if any organization is caught hazing, it risks losing university sponsorship.

"The policy that campus organizations will not haze is not geared towards fraternities; it's state law, and that includes bands and athletic teams as well," Durein said.

According to one anonymous fraternity brother, his house does not "haze" pledges, but it does have initiation activities that are meant to test a pledge's resolve to join the fraternity.

"Hazing is not what fraternities are about," he said. "But our initiation is something that challenges all facets of one's character."

One fraternity president said that his house does haze, but referred to it as "benign hazing." He said it was

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Lecture Series to Honor Noted Activist

By Melinda Marks
Daily Cal Staff Writer

Acclaimed social historian Howard Zinn is scheduled to deliver the first lecture of the Mario Savio Memorial Lectureship, entitled "The Possibility of Hope," tonight in memory of the famous activist.

Savio, a leader in the 1964 Free Speech Movement at UC Berkeley who fought the university for students' right to voice their political beliefs, died of a heart attack one year ago on Nov. 6, 1996.

The lecture, scheduled to take place at 8 p.m. in the Valley Life Sciences Building, is expected to be the first in an annual series to commemorate the campus leader.

"I think (the lectureship) is important not only as a way of recognizing him personally but also

'(Savio) crystallized for people what they knew and could not express. He spoke the words that activated them.'

— **Howard Zinn**
social historian

keeping alive the spirit of the '60s," said Zinn, a professor emeritus at Boston University.

UC Berkeley sociology Professor Troy Duster helped organize the event. He said it was important for students to see Savio as an influential and historical campus figure.

"Mario Savio is one of the major

speakers of Berkeley's history and a lot of people don't know about him," Duster said. "Keeping in touch with one's institutional, historical background is very important. It's all part of the legacy."

Zinn — who, like Savio, was himself active in the free speech movement and also taught in Mississippi during the Freedom Summer of 1964 — said Savio played an important role in the civil rights movement of the '60s.

"Those people who know him see him as an inspirational figure, a connecting link between civil rights and war and the university," said Zinn.

Zinn said the era was crucial for American society, marking a great change in society's attitude regarding what it meant to live in a democratic country.

"It was a democratic spirit of no

longer accepting what the leaders with government and industry are telling you, in the world not accepting the racial segregation, the Vietnam War," he said. "It was recognizing that democracy comes from the bottom up, deciding for yourself what's right and what's wrong."

Zinn, who did not meet Savio until a few years ago when Savio taught at Sonoma State University, said that Savio's personal qualities made him a powerful political figure who was able to effectively convey what ailed society.

"He acted out of his own feelings," Zinn said. "He worked quietly and modestly. People who worked with him all talked reverentially, respectfully of him. He was a model of kind: caring, cooperative, not dogmatic."

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UC Eligibility Drops Among State High School Graduates

■ More students seek college preparation but less meet requirements for admission, study finds

By Ellen Lee
Contributing Writer

A smaller proportion of high school graduates qualified for UC schools last year than in previous years, according to an eligibility study by the California Postsecondary Education Commission.

According to the study, more students are preparing for college, enrolling in college preparatory classes and taking Advanced Placement tests, but only 11.1 percent of the 1996 public high school graduates were fully eligible for freshman admission at UC schools.

The report, which studies how students prepare for the guidelines set by the University of California and California State Universities, was issued in time for a hearing on higher education that is scheduled for next Tuesday in Sacramento.

Organized by Senator Teresa Hughes, D-Inglewood, the hearings are expected to address enrollment in the universities, especially in light of Proposition 209, which ended race and gender preferences in state employment and university admissions.

Results from the study are expected to fuel discussion on what the state legislature can do

to maximize student eligibility and the effectiveness of student academic development programs.

The 11.1 percent of eligible students is lower than the guidelines of the Master Plan, which requires UC schools to draw their students from the top 12.5 percent of high school graduates. It also interrupts an upward trend from the commission's previous reports, when the percentage of eligible high school graduates increased between 1986 and 1990.

"The study raises more questions than we can answer," said Warren Fox, director of the CPEC. "Why aren't students taking the tests?"

Why aren't students taking the classes? We don't know the issues around the students."

Fox and the commission are expected to meet next Monday to discuss and review the impact of the study.

"We would like to do a follow-up study, but we're not sure if we can get it funded," Fox said.

He added that many students are almost eligible, lacking in only a few college prep classes, usually math or English. Some students fail to take the right tests, especially the SAT II.

"There are students that are potentially eligi-

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Sexual Assault Attempted In Dorm

A transient who entered Putnam Hall late Tuesday night allegedly tried to grab the breasts of a female student and was subsequently arrested for attempted sexual battery and trespassing.

UCPD Capt. Bill Cooper said 24-year-old Major McKenzie apparently followed a resident into the hall after 3 a.m., a full hour after the hall's security monitors are scheduled to finish checking visitors for identification. McKenzie allegedly took the elevator to the all-female seventh floor and began knocking on doors.

"He made some small talk first and then tried to grab out at her," Cooper said. "When she came to the door he attempted to reach out and grab her breasts."

The victim closed the door and then called the police to report the attempted sexual assault. After getting a description from the victim, the police entered the dorm but were unable to find the suspect, Cooper said.

After a search through the public areas of the floor, UCPD officers located McKenzie hiding in the women's showers, where he was then arrested.

McKenzie was later taken to Berkeley City Jail to await a hearing in Berkeley-Albany Municipal Court.

Residence hall security monitors routinely check entrants' identification from 5 p.m. until 2 a.m. in each of the university's three units. McKenzie likely managed to get by the security desk as a result of nobody monitoring the area at such a late hour.

"We addressed it on opening day that people not let others follow them into the building," said Cheney Hall Security Coordinator Jeff Lin. "If someone does gain access, we usually have an RA on duty, and we

ask residents to report all suspicious persons."

— Louis Gray

Eucalyptus Trees Cause Complaints

Residents who live near Indian Rock Park in North Berkeley have expressed concern over the potential danger of the park's eucalyptus trees.

According to resident Charles Smith, the trees are highly combustible and have the potential to fall down. As an example of the danger posed by the trees, he cited an incident last December in which one tree fell down and hit another tree across the street.

"If they fall across Indian Rock Avenue, the trees may hit a house or tear down utility lines," he said.

Smith, who has gathered a petition of 41 signatures asking for the trees' removal, added that because eucalyptus trees have twisted and deformed wood, they may lack the strength to fully support themselves.

According to Deborah Machta, a member of the Friends of Aquatic Park group, the eucalyptus trees were imported from Australia, making it hard for birds and other native species to adapt to them. She added that the trees have presented a hazard to residents for at least five years.

"I would like them all cut down," said Machta. "Huge limbs have fallen from the tree out of the blue. They're hazardous."

City officials could not be reached for comment.

Smith added that if the eight trees are taken down, the neighbors plan to replace the empty space with a more rigid type of tree such as oak.

— Norman Weiss

Fraternity

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completely harmless and voluntary.

According to another anonymous source, however, not all of the initiation activities on the Berkeley campus are "benign."

"There's the puke slide at one house," he said. "It's where (the brothers) make you drink until you throw up and then you have to slide through (the vomit)."

The source explained that fraternities require pledges to take part in such activities because they want the pledge class to build camaraderie.

"It's something to make you bond with your pledge class," he said. "It's a brotherhood thing."

He also qualified the demeaning hazing activities he had witnessed by adding that the same fraternity that asked its pledges to crawl through urine also asked them to attend a study table at least once a week to make sure the pledges were keeping up in school.

According to the same anonymous fraternity brother, all activities are done willingly by the pledges.

"Everything the pledges do is voluntary," he said. "The door is always there."

Sigma Chi member Dan Etchevers said that while his fraternity does not haze pledges, he could not disclose what its initiation rituals are.

"It's secret," he said. "We think it's an important part of Sigma Chi, and for that reason we don't think that people who haven't experienced it have a right to know about it."

THE DAILY CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 13

Lectures/Meetings

Life Worth Living: Life Issues for Those With Disabilities, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Conference Room, Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St., San Francisco. (415) 749-6364.

New Media's Blurring Lines Between Editorial and Advertising Content, with Phil Lemmons, publisher of PC World Online, 12:30 p.m., North Gate Hall. 642-9988.

The Attack of the Blob: Hannah Arendt's Conception of the Social, 4 p.m., 223 Moses Hall. 642-9314.

French Architecture: Paris of Napoleon III, with UC Professor Kathleen James, 7:30 p.m., University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way. 848-6370.

Americorps Informational Meeting, 7:30 p.m., ASUC Senate Chambers, Eshleman Hall. 642-3916.

Racism, History and Lies, 7:30 p.m., \$5-10, La Pena Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave.

The Possibility of Hope (initiation of a memorial lectureship in honor of Mario Savio, spokesman for the Free Speech Movement), 8 p.m., 2050 Valley Life Sciences Building.

Special Events

International Affairs Career Information Day, noon-4 p.m., Pauley Ballroom, MLK Jr. Student Union. 642-5706.

Feminist Report Back From Cuba, eyewitness account and slide show,

7:30 p.m., \$5, New Valencia Hall, 1908 Mission Street, San Francisco. (415) 864-1278.

Friday, Nov. 14

Lectures/Meetings

Gestational Regulation of Mouse Growth Hormone Receptor/Binding Protein Gene Expression, noon, 5053 Valley Life Sciences Building.

Symposium: La Inquisición y Literatura Colonial en América Latina (through Nov. 15, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.), 3 p.m., Seaborg Room, Men's Faculty Club. 642-2088.

Special Events

Community Service Conference and Opportunities Fair: Volunteers in Africa — From Good Intention to Effective Action, 7 p.m., \$5, MLK Jr. Student Center. 763-9206.

University Chorus directed by Marika Kuzma, 8 p.m., Hertz Hall. 643-2359.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, 8 p.m., Berkeley Community Theatre, 1930 Allston Way. (415) 433-9500/762-BASS.

Miscellaneous

Cruelty-Free Lifestyle Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Lower Sproul Plaza. 234-4142.

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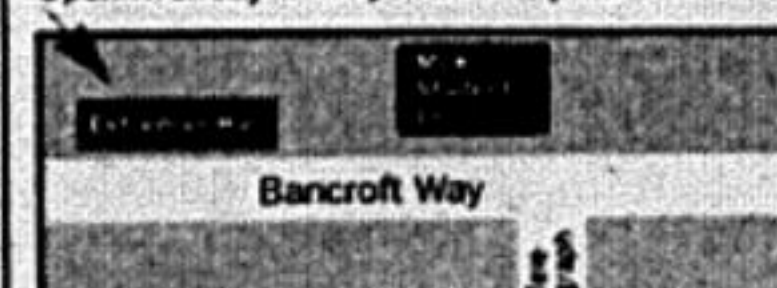
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Savio

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"He put eloquent words into courageous action — what a lot of people were feeling," Zinn added. "He crystallized for people what they knew and could not express. He spoke the words that activated them."

Nadav Savio, Mario Savio's 27-year-old son, helped organize the lectureship with his mother, his stepmother and friends of his father.

"The idea of a lectureship grew out of the idea that the main thing that he was famous for was speaking," he said. "(The lectureship) gives a forum for other people who are eloquent and articulate and have ideas we can all share. It's something more alive than, say, a plaque on Sproul Plaza or something of that sort. It can continue to have an impact."

Nadav Savio and his relatives formed a committee to organize the lectureship. He said the committee is also attempting to organize a scholarship fund in memory of his father to recognize young activists who have shown sparks of

his father's charismatic leadership.

"There are a lot of people who talk a good game and who also mean a good game, and can describe political and social events accurately," said Nadav Savio. "There are some — and I think my dad was one — who have progressed morally and can look at a situation and see what's wrong and what's right. That I experienced personally every day — at a checkout stand at a grocery store, anywhere."

Nadav Savio said he remembered walking in Venice, Calif., one day with his dad when he was about 5 or 6 years old. An older boy came riding his bike fast, swiping Nadav Savio.

"My dad took him aside to explain how it was great and fun to ride bikes but he needed to leave room for people to walk," Nadav Savio said. "He turned a little incident into a moral lesson for someone he would never see again."

Nadav Savio said he hopes people can learn from the lectures as well as remember his father for his accomplishments.

"Speaking out doesn't have to be a movement, it can just be an event," Nadav Savio said.

Eligibility

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ble, except that they are not taking the appropriate test," explained Fox. "The good news is that the potential eligible pool is growing."

The study cites several factors that might have contributed to the dip in student eligibility, including the increase in the cost to attend public universities in California, the expanding size and diversity of the student population and the shrinking availability of college courses.

"We'd like to look into the number of counselors that have diminished," Fox said. "If students start too late, they can't take all the classes. They must know early and have to be advised early."

The study may also have an impact in the ongoing debate over

whether the state universities should drop the SAT requirement, as was recommended to the UC Board of Regents in September by a task force it commissioned to study the eligibility of Latino students.

"That was not the purpose, but since the SAT is required for UC admission, the topic will come up," Fox said. "More students would be more eligible if the test were not required."

The study found that women continued to have higher eligibility rates than men, taking more of the required courses and earning higher grades.

The proportion of Asian and black students eligible for UC schools decreased, while the eligibility rates for Latino and white high school graduates remained the same as in 1990. The pool of "potentially" eligible students expanded in all four racial groups.

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Age, Anne and Asteroids

In the time intervening between the writing of this article and its printing, I have turned 22. Next stop, 30. I am going to die. Oh, well; *que sera, sera*. I honestly believe that all the philosophy any of us needs can be found in the works of Doris Day, so let's turn away from this ugliness and let us wax vapid. As no single issue draws my interest adequately to dominate an entire column, I will deal with the subjects on my mind in short, fact-nugget, "USA Today"-style paragraphs.

THE LIMEY NANNY

Everyone, led by Oprah, is up in arms because the 19-year-old *au pair* is not being sent to prison for her minimum 15-year sentence. They need to calm themselves. Louise Woodward is 19 and even if she was the sole batterer, it seems very likely she was inadequately trained and made a stupid mistake. It seems insane that someone who is not a threat to society and does not need to be rehabilitated should be sent to prison, so America can feel that justice has been exacted from someone's hide.

Additionally, her employers' innocence is compromised by the very terms of her employment. When you get right down to it, what is an *au pair* but a foreign-exchange indentured servant? When our San Diegan brethren take advantage of illegal labor without the cool French name, they end up getting knocked out of presidential races. You can't just toss your kid to the first person who passes by and expect them to care for your children with the skill of a trained professional or, even better, a loving relative.

THE STATE OF POP

(It's a-watchin' MTV): Chumbawumba is SO COOL, even if they are commies. Jakob Dylan, on the other hand, is an annoying bitch-boy (I am also a bitch-boy, but I'm not making millions for it, now am I?), and will eventually join Wilson Phillips and Tori Spelling in the special part of hell reserved for those who inherit their fame. (The lead singer of "Sugar Ray," hereafter to be known as "Vanilla Ice, Jr.," however, has no famous relations. It is thus obvious he has contracted with the *Sitra Achra* to achieve his fame and will therefore rule in hell with me.)

APPENDICES TO LAST WEEK'S COLUMN

It started out a rollicking two-thousand-word fun-fest, overflowing with fine humor and more than a little heart. I sliced it to a shadow of itself. Here are two passages never before seen (maybe they should have stayed that way?), which I have resurrected to fill space.

The first one is a bit of back story on my stalking of Janeane: you see, last Saturday was not my first obsessive fit. She was in Berkeley in December of '95 and while waiting around after her show for two friends (Kyle and my beloved sidekick Dūdek Girl) to get their nic-fixes, my obsession and the chick who was "Pat" on SNL walked out of the front doors of MLK. So I followed her down Bancroft (Kyle and Dūdek were kind enough to remind me of what a big geek I am). Finally, her party turned onto campus, and wholly out of my way.

I recognized this as my last chance to ask a question, so I called out the multipurpose "Hey!" I tried to think of something witty. *Nada* (like you couldn't tell from this column that I ain't exactly the second coming of Voltaire). I tried for something remotely intelligent. Guess what? Nothing. She had turned around to look at me and had on these Jackie O./Mrs. Robinson glasses that I found very intimidating, and I knew she was highly annoyed and ready to return to her way. So I asked "Hey, do you know Anne Bancroft?" She didn't even deign to respond. All I could think when I tried to get her autograph last week is that she remembered my lumbering, goofy form from before and feared me a weirdo. See, first impressions are very often true.

The second digression was in no way related to the narrative of last week's column. Here it is — (side note: as I was writing and flipping through the channels, just moments ago, I landed on "Showgirls" on Showtime. This is the best movie EVER. If only it weren't so hard to laugh and masturbate at the same time. I am so looking forward to "Starship Troopers;" if Esterhauz and Verhoeven can come up with sci-fi as good as this, they are the most underrated, underpaid filmmakers in Hollywood.)

THE LATE FALL EVENT MOVIE

I loved "Starship Troopers." It was fantastic, but you must remember that whatever Sñrs. Esterhauz and Verhoeven produce, it will always be some form of pornography. Even the government of their fascist yet jingoistically utopian future has this insidiously attractive quality. It asks the question "Gattica" (starring Ethan Whank) cannot face: What if autocracy makes things happier, prettier and cleaner than Jacobin libertarian democracy ever could?

At the same time it is weirdly self-mocking, drawing an unflattering comparison between the mindless alien insects and the regimented, armored human military. However, this film is at its best when simply accepted and enjoyed. Give in to The Dark Side, and it will provide you with carnage, young pretty people, young pretty body parts, sexually egalitarian football, guns and the unthinking destruction of outsiders. The greatest moment, however, the moment you know that this comes from the auteurs of "Showgirls," is when Doogie Howser mind-melds with the Vagina Beast. You just can't argue with that.

Guy's mom feels that his columns have gotten a touch blue and she doesn't care if other columnists make disgusting remarks. She didn't rear the other columnists. You may reach Guy, or his mom, or your mom at opinion@dailycal.org

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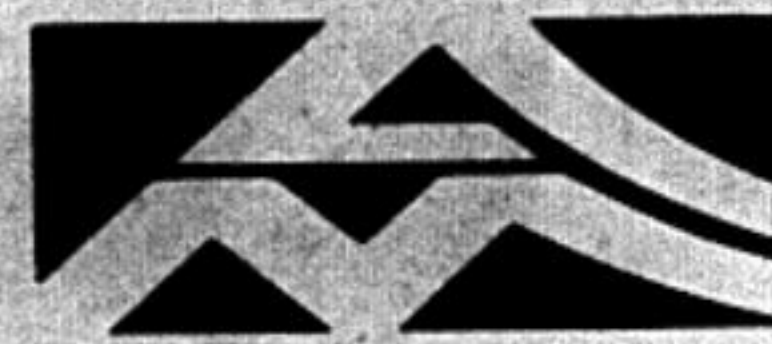


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Take A Sip — Feel the Buzz

■ A rising number of new caffeinated beverages give students new alternatives to coffee

By Lillian C. Tsai
Contributing Writer

In the early morning hours, the pungent and warm aroma of freshly ground coffee beans beckons passing students to enter. With dark bags under bloodshot eyes from lack of sleep, students sip a cup or two of coffee.

Caffeine is considered to be one of the world's most used drugs. Since the substance is found in coffee, tea, cocoa and soft drinks, everyone ingests a certain amount of caffeine daily.

As a central nervous system stimulant, caffeine helps people feel less drowsy and more capable to think clearly.

Sophomore Jeremy Felix drinks a straight cup of espresso once a day and feels that the energy boost he receives from coffee justifies his caffeine abuse.

"I love the taste, the energy and the awakening of hot espresso running through my veins," Felix says. "Caffeine helps you by increasing your attention span, and it gives you the will to go to class and study instead of staying home and missing class just because you are too tired to go."

The recommended caffeine intake for adults is approximately 200-milligrams per day. Any consumption exceeding that amount can lead to negative side effects such as heart palpitations, insomnia and increased stomach-acid secretion and urine production.

Along with beverages like orange juice and bottled water, consumers can now find an explosion of drinks with high caffeine content competing for space on the shelves.

In addition to high-energy drinks such as Red Bull and XTC, and caffeinated juices like Java Juice, bottles of caffeinated water have been pop-

ping up on the market — containing as much as 75 milligrams of caffeine per serving. Marketers of these drinks claim they help the self-confident and dynamic individual to be as active as possible without suffering side effects.

Even though caffeine is not a modern-day phenomenon, the popularity of coffee houses and the production of drinks with high caffeine content indicate a growing demand for highly caffeinated drinks.

"There is a rise in caffeinated beverages, and those who get that sense

of a 'quick-me-up' from drinks appear to be increasing," says Johanne Ikeda, UC Berkeley lecturer and nutrition education specialist. "Twenty years ago, nobody would have known what you meant if you asked for an au lait or a cappuccino."

— Johanne Ikeda
UC Berkeley lecturer

While there is usually a wide array of drinks sold at the ASUC Cal Convenience Store, the sale of caffeinated drinks increases during times of stress and academic pressure.

"All of the drinks like soda, water and natural juices go really fast, but it depends on the time of year on how and what kind of drinks sell," says Cal Convenience employee Twan Lau. "During finals, caffeinated drinks like Coke, Frappuccinos and Starbucks coffee are sold more often, because students want to keep awake and study."

University students are the ideal target of caffeinated-drink companies. Yet in the midst of the chic advertising and the rising popularity of "coffee culture," some question whether new drinks are appearing on the market because of demand or simply because of marketing.

"One wonders if people really do crave the caffeine," says Rita Mitchell,

a registered dietician in the nutritional science department at UC Berkeley. "Or maybe these are really good marketing strategies where companies are creating a need for the public so they can supply it with a certain product."

Because caffeine is both a widely used substance and a mood-altering drug, there has been extensive research on the effects and potential dangers of caffeine. There has also been concern about the habit-forming behavior and the potential addiction to the surge of energy that caffeine provides.

"The way in which caffeine affects people really depends on the individual, which is why studies on caffeine tend to be inconclusive," Mitchell says. "Some people can drink a lot of coffee and go to sleep right away, while others won't be able to sleep for hours."

Most health officials agree that as long as caffeine is consumed in moderation and the partaker has a healthy lifestyle, caffeine consumption will not pose significant health threats.

"Drinking a couple cups of coffee a day is not a problem," Mitchell says. "What you need to look at is the total lifestyle. If you are physically active and have a healthy diet, then excess amounts of caffeine are less likely to be a problem."

Angela Dalki, an employee at the Alocacafe Sufficient Grounds, says that she does not think there is a noticeable abuse of caffeine by UC Berkeley students, but admits that overconsumption of caffeine is not usually recognized as abuse.

"Caffeine consumption is not something people consider as that bad of an evil," Dalki says. "We are all so ingrained in the culture, and it just seems to be the thing to do."

Nevertheless, Dalki feels that the emergence of caffeinated waters, such as Aqua Java, is ridiculous and indicates an exploitation of caffeine by the beverage companies.

"It seems like with the new highly caffeinated drinks, especially with caffeinated water, it's going too far," Dalki says. "I mean, people need to sleep if they're tired. People need to watch out for their bodies and not



Staff/Dan Jung

UC BERKELEY STUDENT Cliff Betson fills up on a fountain drink at the Cal convenience store on campus.

take care of themselves artificially."

Dominic Reyes, a manager at Smart Alec's, says he believes that drinks like Flying Horse and Red Bull will come and go, but people will always have smoothies and fruit juices to fall back on for good health.

"Students don't get a lot of nutrients in their diet, especially when there are so many restaurants that sell junk food," Reyes says. "Also, students don't have a lot of money to buy food which is better in quality."

But students who do not consume caffeinated drinks, such as UC Berkeley junior Sarah Lee, indicates that not everybody enjoys the "caffeine buzz."

"I personally cannot stand the taste of coffee, and I don't drink carbonated drinks for health reasons," Lee says. "Instead of soda, I drink juices. I just feel that it makes me feel better, wholesome and more energetic."

Sophomore Winnie Chow says she feels that compared to other health issues and problems that occur during the college years, the negative attention caffeine has received from the public is both excessive and misleading.

"I don't think it's bad to drink a

lot of caffeine, because it's not a huge concern compared to other things," Chow says. "It's not nearly as bad as abusing cigarettes and alcohol."

Despite the fact that Chow has an ulcer, she drinks coffee when the academic pressure gets intense even though the caffeine could exacerbate her condition.

"When I need to stay awake for finals, I do drink cappuccinos a lot," Chow says. "I enjoy the taste and if I need to study for something important, I'm going to drink some coffee."

Regardless of the concern about the increased intake of caffeine among university students, Ikeda says that excessive caffeine drinking is most likely a life-cycle phenomenon that happens during college years.

She says she believes college students have a tendency to drink exorbitant amounts of caffeinated beverages because it is a part of the college culture and atmosphere.

"My hope is that college is part of the experience of maturation," Ikeda says. "You can abuse your body an awful lot from (ages) 18-21 and have very little effect. But as you get older, it has a bigger effect."

Vista

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land and Piedmont will be able to vote next June in the general election on whether Vista will be able to de-annex from the Peralta Community College district.

"I was very surprised," said Lincoln Hall, dean of Vista College. "From the conversations I've had with various people in Vista College, my assumption was that it would be a very close vote. (De-annexation) is still not an accomplished fact until the vote goes through in June."

Talk of separation from the school district was raised more than two years ago by a group of petitioners, including former state Assembly member Tom Bates, businessman Bob Burnett and Berkeley Vice Mayor Maudelle Shirek. The plan was proposed at the local school board level and was approved in October 1995. It has since been passed by the county school board and now by the Board of Governors.

The legal process under the state education code requires a school to obtain support at four different levels in order to de-annex from its district. The final judgment goes to the voters, who will decide on the fate of the college.

"It was the sixth hearing at the Board of Governors level," said Vista

College President Barbara Beno. "The issue has been on (the Board of Governors') radar screen for the past 14 months. If (the voters) approve it, it goes into effect the next fiscal year."

Those in favor of the break said the facilities at Vista are inadequate. The school currently lacks a cafeteria and a textbook store, and the 4,000 Vista College students are educated in a building of 20,000 square feet.

Vista, located at 2020 Milvia St., is one of four colleges in the Peralta district. Although by student enrollment Vista should receive \$5.5 million each year, Peralta only allots \$3 million to operate Vista. The extra \$2.5 million is split between the three other colleges in the district, including Alameda, Merritt and Laney colleges.

"Vista College has been used, really, to subsidize other colleges," Hall said. "That has generated some resentment among some people."

Decriers of the separation cite a study done by the State Community College Chancellor's Office, which projects that more white students would remain at Vista, while more black students would make up the other three colleges in the district.

"Vista is good for the district," Peralta board President Brenda Knight recently told media sources. "We need a presence in Berkeley — that city is known nationwide as a center of education."

Currently, 40 percent of the

courses offered at Vista College are taught on the UC Berkeley campus, due to lack of facilities and space at Vista College. These classes usually take place on weeknights.

Those in favor of separation said that if voters decide to allow Vista College to de-annex, the college would be able to obtain land and build new and better facilities for the students.

"Land would be purchased, buildings would be planned and an urban college campus would be constructed," said Hall, predicting that construction could take five years.

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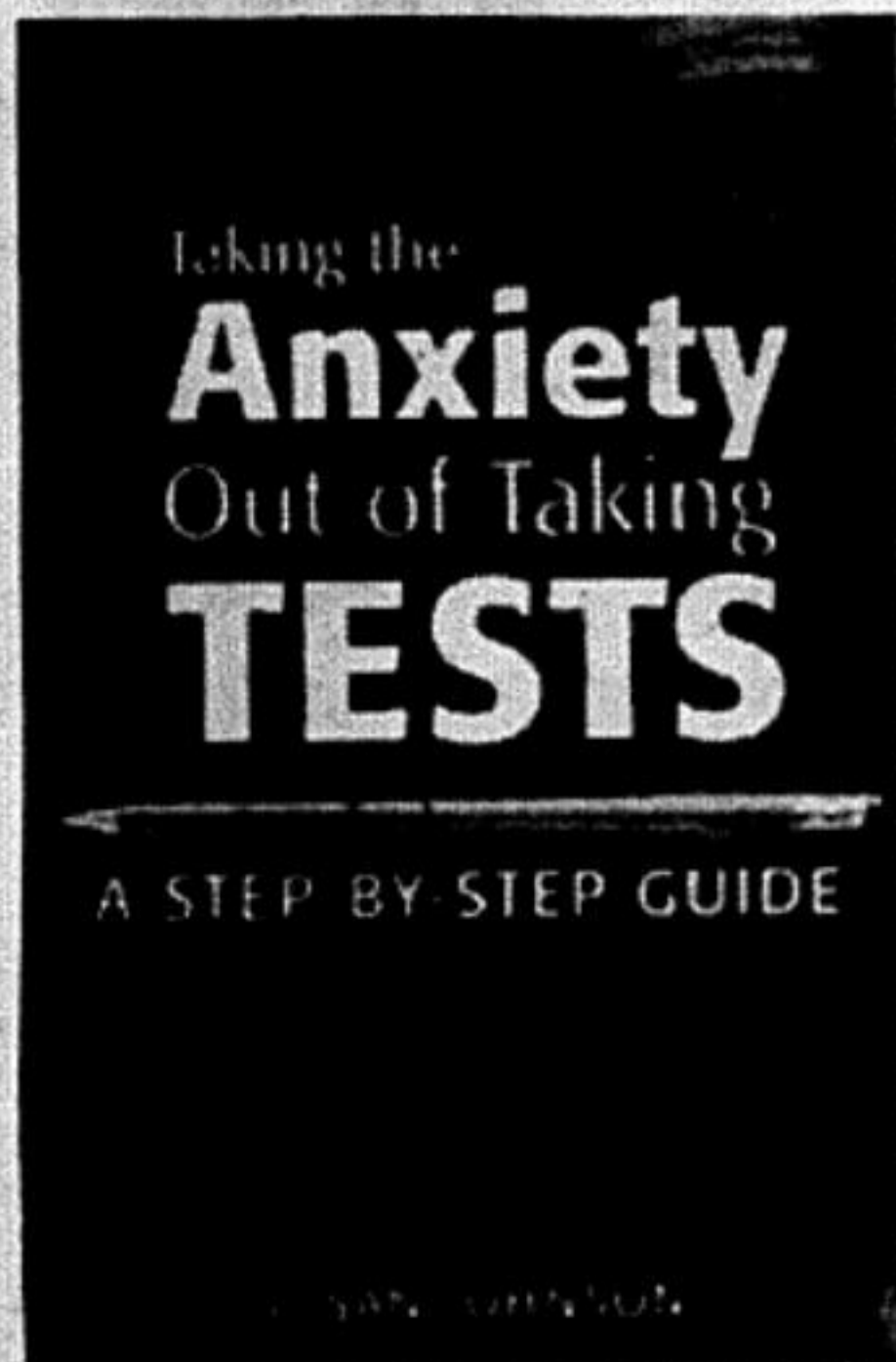
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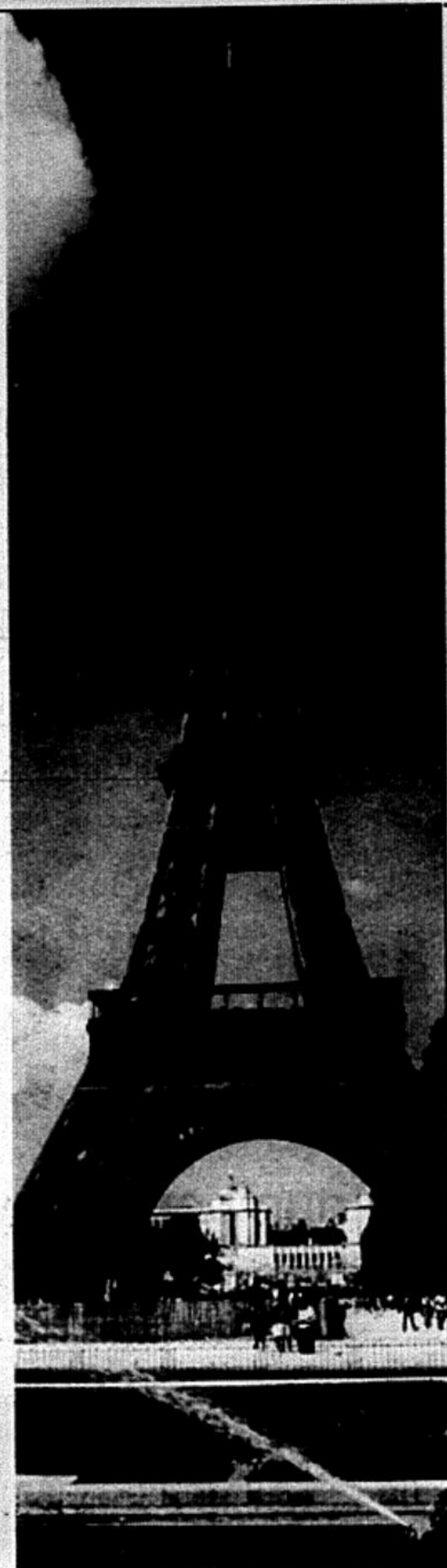
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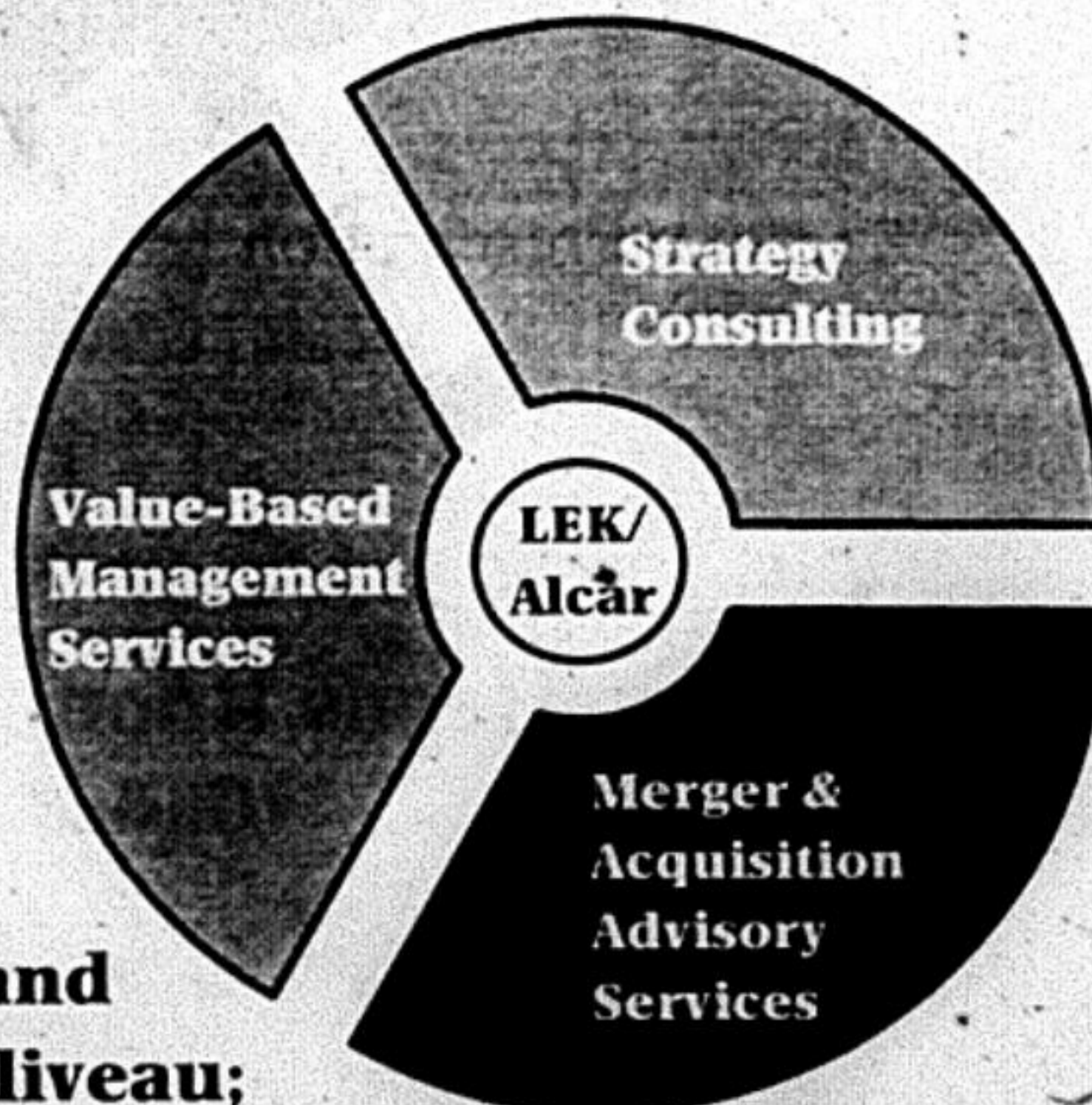
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Recruits

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expressed a verbal commitment to the Orangemen only after the Bears discovered he was academically ineligible.

The only names left on the Bears' wish list are Dan Gadzuric, a 6-11 blue-chip center from Dummer Academy in Byfield, Mass., and Dante Smith, a 6-2 point guard from Anacostia High School in Washington D.C.

Both Gadzuric and Smith have stated they will wait until the spring before signing. Smith made an official visit to Cal this past weekend.

Gadzuric, however, appears to have lost some interest in Cal and lists UCLA, Connecticut, Kansas and George Washington as his current top choices.

"Dan wants to go to a place where he has a chance to contribute, a place

that will take care of him as a person," said his high school coach Steven Metz. "A good rapport with the coach is important. Those types of things are hard to judge, but we'll do our best."

David Bluthenthal, a 6-7 power forward and teammate of Bland's at Westchester, appears to be close to signing with USC after Cal courted him initially in the fall recruiting season.

Apparently, Bluthenthal — widely regarded as one of the best players on the West Coast — desired to remain in Southern California, and the competition for his services become a two-school battle between UCLA and the Trojans.

"Cal was never really in (the race for Bluthenthal)," said Mark Mayemura of Recruiting USA. "Oklahoma State, West Virginia were in it for a while, but in the end it turned out he wanted to stay local."

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Probation

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Since the team is so young, only one player — senior center Sean Marks — won't get another chance to play in the postseason. The rest of the squad will feel less of an impact, and the same can be said for all potential Cal recruits.

"There's nothing we can do about the probation," said Marks, who has been to the Tournament three times with the Bears. "We can't sit here and whine about not going to the Tournament. Nothing any of us can say or do will change that. We've just gotta look past it."

The Pac-10 looks to be ultra-competitive this year with three teams in the preseason top 15, but the Bears aren't counting themselves out of the race. They will start the season without two key players — transfer guards Geno Carlisle and Thomas Kilgore, who have to sit out due to NCAA transfer rules — but both become eligible Dec. 22, two weeks before the start of conference play.

"Everyone's dream is to play in the Tournament," said Gill. "But we still have the Pac-10 championship to try and win. If we can do that, our season will be complete under the circumstances."

Despite the somewhat rosy outlook, Cal still faces some immediate concerns. Because of the probation, the Bears are unable to play any exhibition games this year.

While most teams are busy playing clubs like Athletes in Action and Slovakia in preparation for the season, Cal was forced to limit its preseason activity to a Blue-Gold scrimmage early this week.

"Not playing any exhibition games is definitely a disadvantage heading into the start of the season

because it's a chance to put some different lineups on the floor and try some different things," said Braun. "It's unfortunate. I still don't understand that penalty."

The team's biggest challenge may be a self-imposed one, however. Due to the construction of Haas Pavilion, the Bears will play all their home games at the Oakland Coliseum.

The athletic department is making an effort to ensure that student and fan support remains high despite the knowledge that this year is somewhat of a wash — particularly in the minds of fans who place a premium on postseason success.

Cal hopes its fans will drive the extra distance to attend home games despite the problems facing the team.

"We're approaching this season with the perspective that we're out of our home venue," said Kena Bell, Cal's marketing and promotions coordinator. "That's really the battle we're looking at."

The marketing department held some focus groups with students to address their concerns. As a result, the school reduced season ticket prices to \$52 — down from the usual \$75-80.

Bell said she anticipates a slow start to student ticket sales because there are no exhibition games and the Bears play a majority of their non-conference schedule during Thanksgiving and winter breaks.

Student support was slow to arrive last year, but Cal's surprising success on the court raised excitement as the season went on.

Braun is hoping his new team can accomplish much the same thing, thus avoiding the stigma probation often brings to beleaguered programs.

"This year we'll just try and be competitive and go after the Pac-10," said the coach. "By next year, I don't think you'll ever hear the words probation or sanctions around here again."

Arizona

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offseason," said Tomey. "Whoever isn't the starter will play another position."

For now, Jenkins has a pair of favorite targets in his two roommates — receivers Dennis Northcutt and Rodney Williams. The two have combined for 12 touchdown catches on the season and average a total of 128.9 yards a game.

The Wildcats also feature the Pac-10's third-best rushing game. Sophomore tailback Trung Candidate has

'He's done a fabulous job. If he can grow and improve, the sky's the limit.'

— **Dick Tomey**
Arizona head coach

put up an impressive 107.3 yards-per-game average and has an able backup in Kelvin Eafon, who chips in with 43.9 a game.

Defensively, tackle Joe Salave'a anchors the No. 2 unit vs. the run after an unexpected return to Arizona's lineup this campaign. A new NCAA guideline allowed the Proposition 48 player to gain one more season of eligibility since he graduated in four years.

For the third time this season, the Bears will face an excellent cornerback duo in All-America candidate Chris McAlister and Kelly Malveaux.

"Everyone talks about the guys at USC and ASU," said Cal head coach Tom Holmoe. "I don't know how much talk goes to these (cornerbacks), but they're pretty good."

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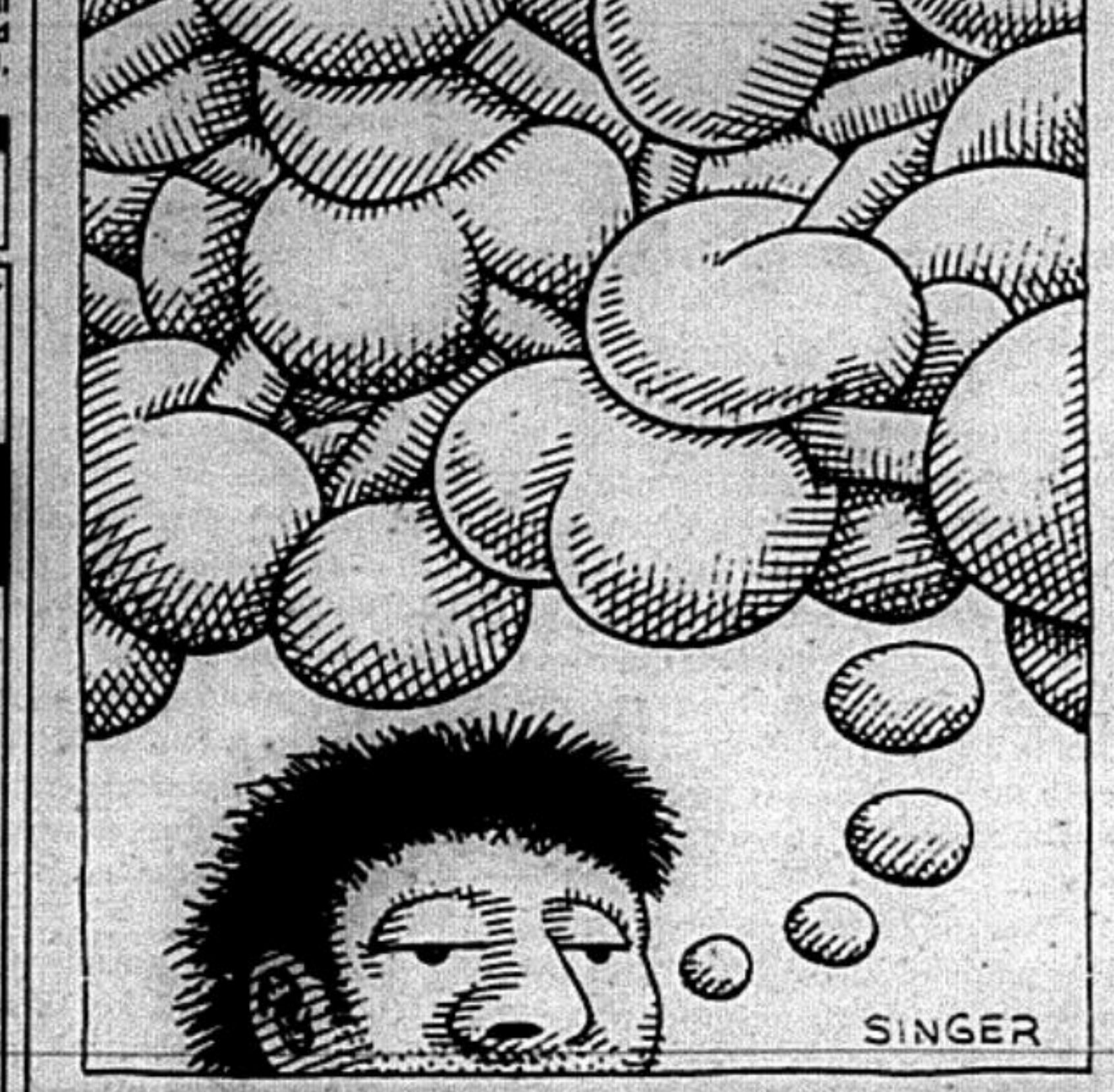
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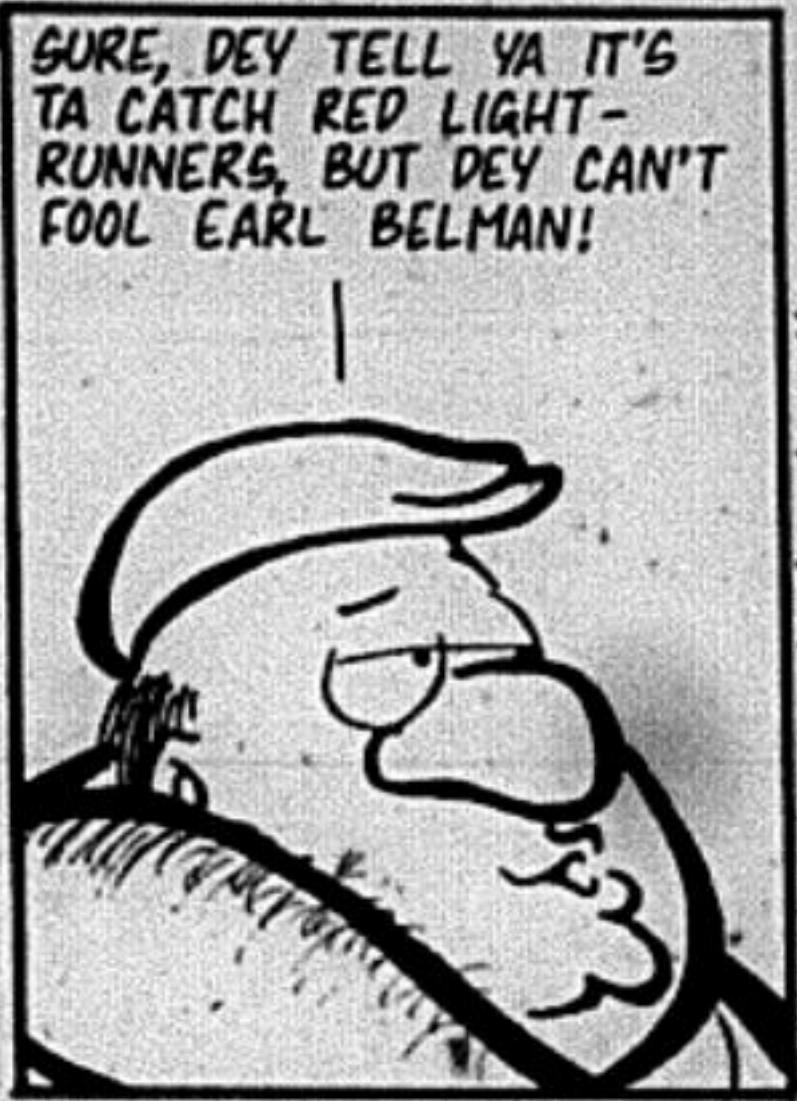
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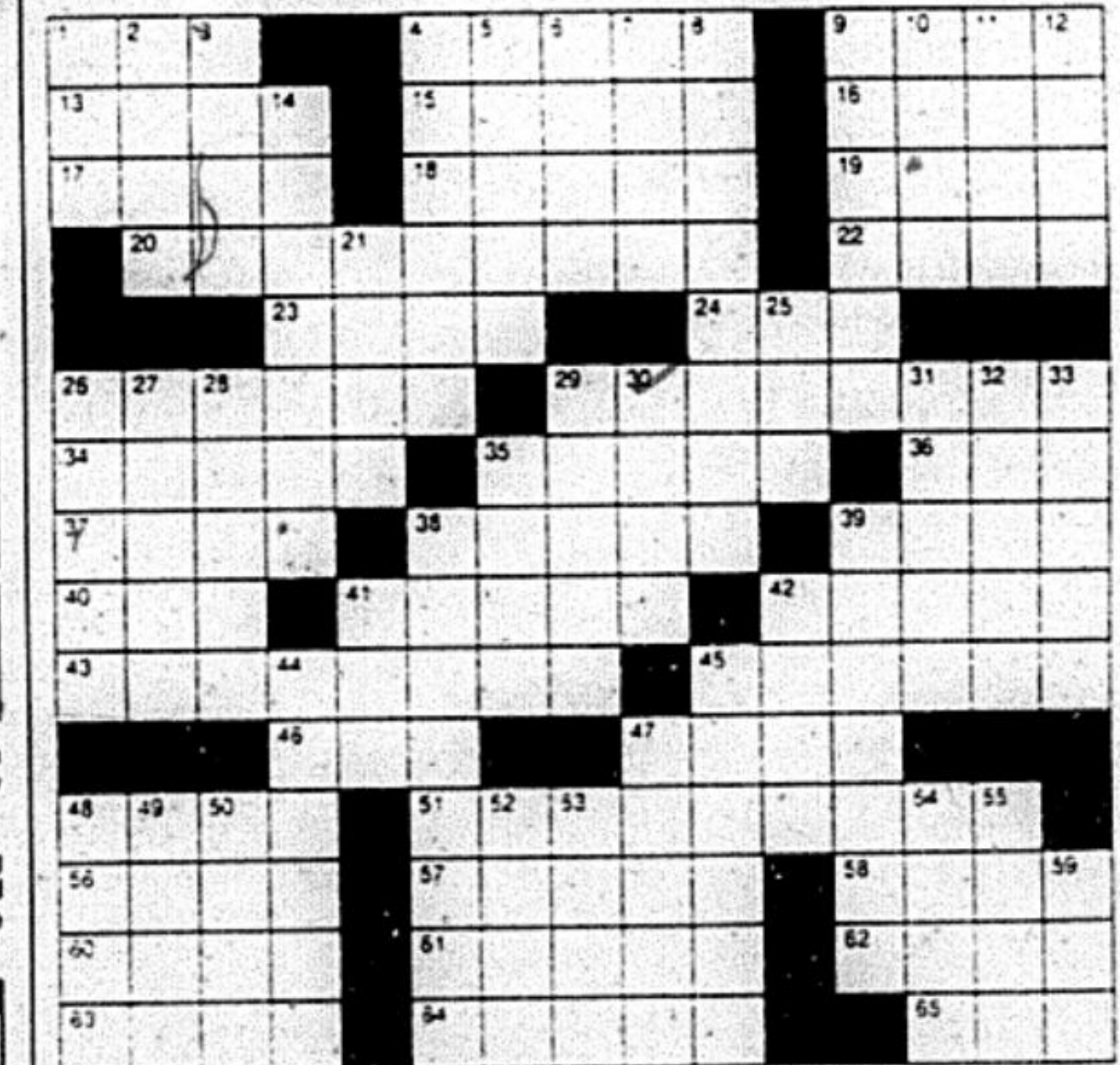
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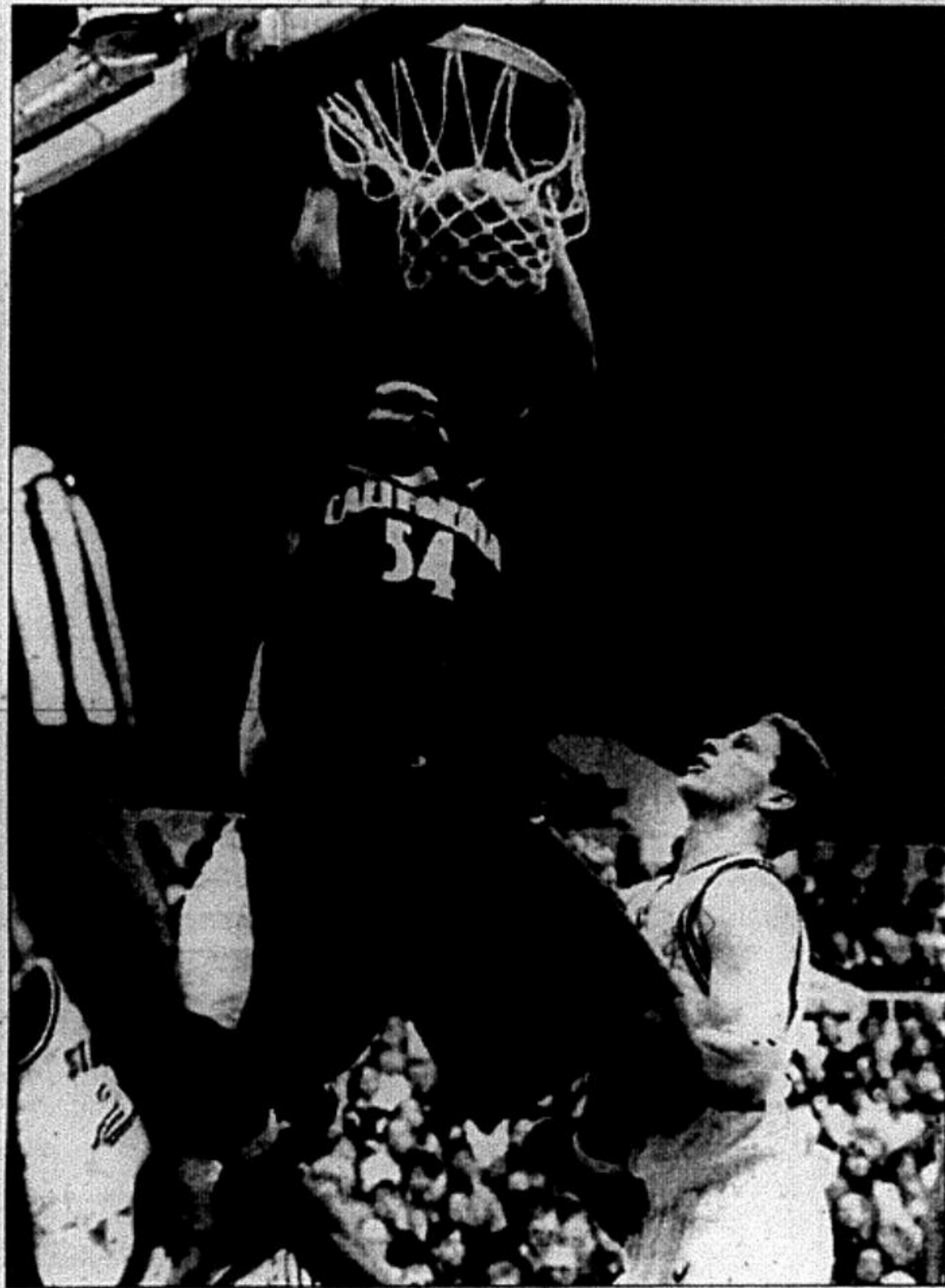
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Bears Look Past Probation, Focus on Winning



JUNIOR KENYON JONES, one of three returning scholarship players, believes probation gives the Bears added incentive going into this year.

■ Team aims to overcome sanctions and relocation to Oakland Coliseum

Editor's Note: The second in a two-part series on NCAA probation examines the hurdles facing the Cal men's basketball program.

By Jeremy Sampson
Daily Cal Staff Writer

Sometimes the punishment doesn't fit the crime. Or, in the case of the Cal men's basketball team, sometimes the punished didn't even commit the transgression.

Such is the predicament facing the Bears this season. A team made up of mostly new players and a second-year coach has been banned from the postseason by the NCAA because of violations committed by their predecessors.

Many of the current Cal players have never even met Todd Bozeman, the since-departed coach who admitted giving money to the family of former Bears point guard Jelani Gardner.

Yet here they are, forced to pay the consequences for an incident Cal basketball would love to put behind it for good.

"I was kind of heartbroken when I first heard," said junior forward Michael Gill, who transferred from Compton Community College last spring. "For a couple of days I was like, 'Oh man.' I felt as if I had nothing to do with it. I wasn't even thinking about Cal when all this happened, and here I am in the middle of it."

"But I had a lot of faith in Coach Braun and the program," he added. "I knew things would work out."

Cal's players have been strikingly accepting of the sanctions. Rather than lamenting their inability to play in the NCAA Tournament, the Bears are emphasizing other goals for the coming season.

One of those is the classic "building for the future" plan. After losing seven key players from a team that advanced to the Sweet 16, head coach Ben Braun faces the task of molding together some entirely fresh faces.

The Bears do have five juniors, however, and will be full of experience come the 1998-99 campaign. Much of that valuable playing time should be accumulated during the next few months.

"Actually I think (the probation) makes us want to play harder," said junior center Kenyon Jones, one of three returning scholarship players. "We know we have to come out and do whatever we can in this

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Signing Period Begins Quietly

■ No new recruits after first day

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Day one of the fall signing period came and went yesterday without any rumblings for the Cal men's basketball team.

The Bears recruiting mill appears to have slowed considerably following the loss of star high school recruits Ray Young and Tony Bland to UCLA and Syracuse, respectively.

Cal has until Nov. 19 to ink a prep recruit or else the Bears will have to wait until the May signing period to fill their three available scholarships for next season.

Young, a 6-foot-4 wingman from nearby St. Joseph's High School in Alameda, chose the Bruins over Cal in a stunning announcement last week while Bland, a 6-5 point guard from Los Angeles' Westchester High School,

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Young Quarterback Provides Spark For Arizona Offense

By Yash Mehta
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Arizona fans were enamored last season when a cocky freshman quarterback by the name of Keith Smith took the team by storm.

Today, the sophomore plays wide receiver.

Ortega Jenkins — another brash freshman — supplanted Smith midway through the 1997 campaign and the situation has added some much-needed excitement to the historically defense-oriented Wildcats, who host Cal Saturday at Arizona Stadium in Tucson.

Completing over 50 percent of his

passes, "O.J." has thrown 16 touchdown passes and averages 172.6 yards per game. The 6-foot-2, 214-pounder is already five end zone strikes-away from breaking the school record for touchdowns in a season.

"He never gets flabbergasted," said Arizona head coach Dick Tomey. "For someone who had no spring ball and who was taking third-string snaps he keeps playing well."

While redshirting last season, Jenkins doubled as a backup guard on the Wildcats' basketball team and tore his anterior cruciate ligament, causing him to miss spring practice. Jenkins only took over this year as

- Arizona Stadium
- Saturday, 7 p.m. PST
- Bay TV, KGO 810 AM, KALX 90.7 FM
- Favorite: Arizona, 11 1/2
- Series record: Cal leads, 9-7-2

the No. 1 QB when Smith and second-stringer Brady Batten went down with injuries against UCLA.

Since entering the Wildcats' fourth game of the season, Jenkins has started every contest — producing a 28-22 upset of Stanford and wins over San Diego State and Oregon State. Only losses to No. 14 Washington and No. 13 Washington State — a 35-34 overtime thriller in Pullman, Wash. — have stained the rookie's record.

"There are major areas where he can improve in," said Tomey. "But he's done a fabulous job. If he can grow and improve, the sky's the limit."

Coaches were saying the same thing about Smith before the season started. As a freshman, he won the

starting nod from Batten and recorded the fourth-highest pass efficiency rating (136.32) in Wildcats history. Smith even compiled 502 yards of total offense in a four-overtime contest against Cal.

Since Jenkins took over, however, Smith has been relegated to three-wideout situations — an attempt to take advantage of his multi-talented abilities. The specialty role was originally intended for Jenkins.

Tomey admits the saga will make for an interesting quarterback controversy for next season.

"The two will compete in the

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Season Hopes Rest on NCAA Selection

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It may be a little harsh to say that the success of the Cal men's soccer team's season lies in Monday's NCAA Tournament draw — but it's a reality.

At the draw — which will be televised locally on Fox Sports West — the NCAA selection committee will announce the 32 teams representing eight regions that will participate in this year's postseason tournament.

"It's difficult to tell where we stand," said Cal coach Mark Mallon. "You never know who's making the decisions and what their personal opinions are."

Before the national committee considers the Bears, though, Cal must withstand the Far West

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regional selection committee. This committee can nominate up to eight teams for national consideration.

Currently, the Bears (10-6-1) are ranked 26th in the nation based on the Sagarin ratings and fifth in the Far West region — the nation's toughest. The Sagarin Power Ratings take into account a team's strength of schedule and wins versus top-ranked teams, along with its overall record.

This ratings system is the only one the selection committee takes into account when determining tournament participants.

Based on this fact, the Bears' No. 5 ranking in the nation's best region

should be enough to get Cal in.

"Following logic, the west should get eight teams in," said Mallon. "In that case, we have an excellent chance."

The only problem is that the committee often times defies logic. It can disregard all ratings systems, if it so chooses. A team can ensure a birth by winning a league championship — like Santa Clara did last weekend — but beyond that, no team, save undefeated and top-ranked Indiana, can be certain of its future.

"It's not that complicated if they go by the numbers," said Mallon. "But you can't do anything about subjective opinions."

Statistically, Cal has an excellent shot. The Bears' 10-6-1 record

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JUSTIN BELL is the second leading scorer for a Bears squad that must wait until Monday to discover if they will compete in the NCAA Tournament.

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