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CERRITOS COLLEGE

Board Must Review Job Placement

The admission of discriminatory hiring practices, reported in the March 1 issue of Talon Marks, raised many questions about the concern this college has for its own students.

As the full impact of the disclosure is being realized, Edward Wagner, dean of admissions and records, has said he was misquoted.

Regardless of Wanger's claim of being misquoted the fact remains jobs that could have gone to Cerritos students were filled by non-students.

Supposing Wagner was misquoted (he was not). Doubt has been cost on his judgment as an administrator in knowing what is taking place around him in his department.

However, since he was aware that non-Cerritos students were filling jobs in his department he is in violation of an administrative code forbidding the hiring of persons with relatives employed by the college when those jobs could be filled by Cerritos students.

Wagner has the moral obligation to support and help Cerritos students first. He neglected this in the pursuit of other goals.

Wanger also stated an attempt was made to find Cerritos students to fill the positions available but none came forth. Again there is doubt cast on this statement.

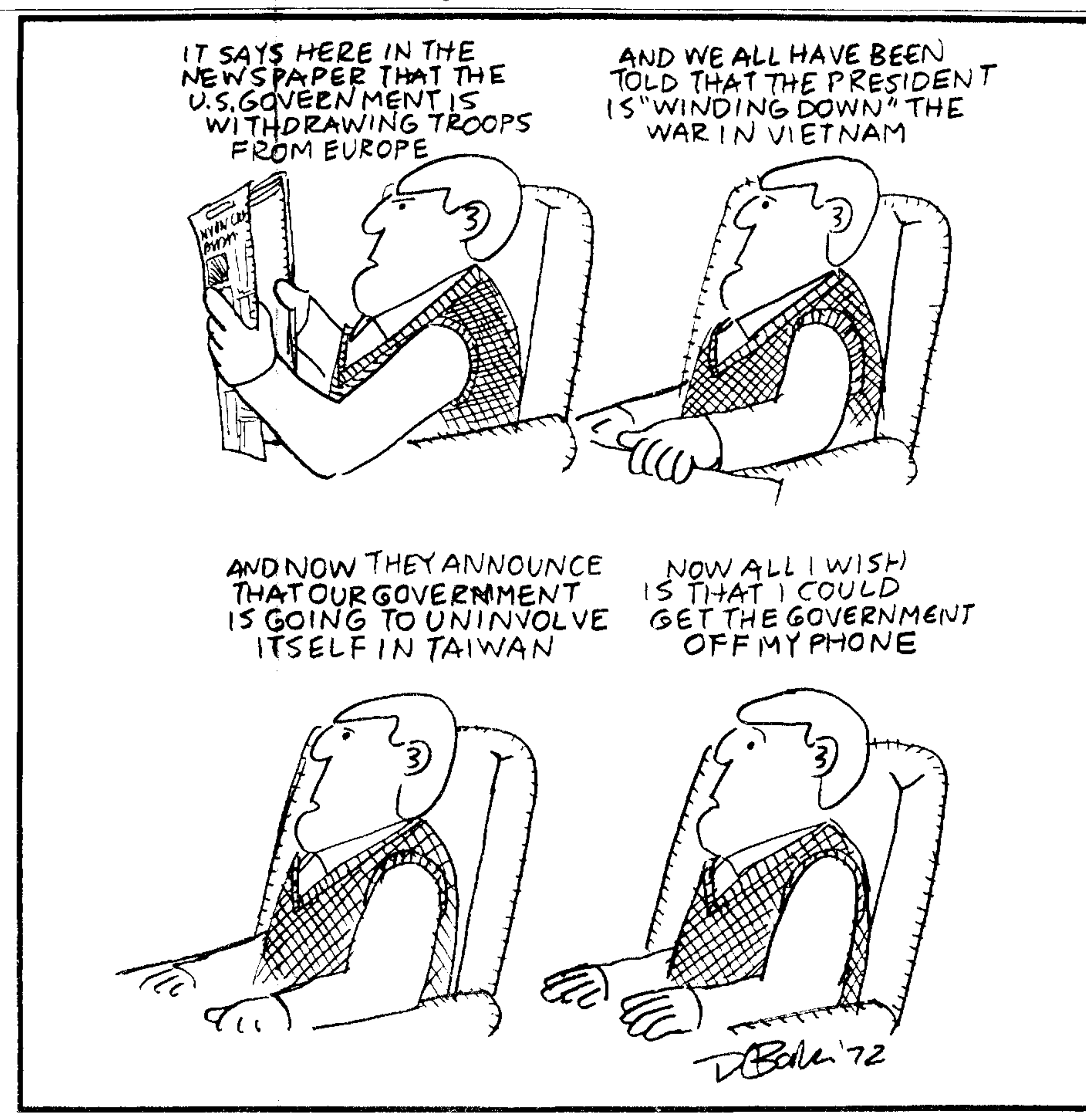
Investigation by **TM** has turned up little evidence to support Wagner's claim. If the jobs were to be publicized, they could have been placed in the college newspaper.

He also said Cerritos students were "unproven." Apparently it never occured that students here can't be proven until they are tried.

Wagner is now prepared to appear before the Student Senate and the Board of Trustees to present evidence that job discrimination doesn't exist here.

We feel confident the Board of Trustees will take appropriate action to see that the needs of Cerritos' 17,000 students come first in the minds and actions of administrators.

The Editors



Students To Join In 'Bike For Life'

Cerritos College students will join in a community-wide "Bike for Life" on Sunday, March 12, at 9 a.m. The event is an attempt to raise money to publicize the Clean Environment Act through the mass media. It is sponsored by People's Lobby.

Before the race, bike riders find sponsors who pledge money for each mile pedaled. Pledges may range from one cent a mile to dollars per mile.

"The 'Bike for Life' gives people a chance to take a direct role in clean environment legislation," said Jeff Elliot, PL director. "I think people are tired of the banquet-like legislation that takes so long, and really doesn't get anywhere. People want action!" he said.

The first bike ride held earlier this year raised $30,000 between 1,700 students, and an additional 12 bike riding events are planned.

Response Great

Elliot feels the response was so great on the first ride that a $500,000 goal will be reached in little time.

The 40-mile bike ride will begin at 9 a.m. and throughout the event, carefully monitored personnel will be around to assist for emergency bike repair like flat tires, wheel alignment and other bike difficulties developing. In case of rain, the 'Bike for Life' will be held on March 19.

Students wishing to participate in the ride may start at any one of the eight checkpoints. Free maps depicting the ride route can be obtained by contacting the People's Lobby at 864-0432, 430-9715 or 437-7842.

AGS Members Named

The first meeting of Alpha Gamma Sigma honorary fraternity will be held at 11:00 tomorrow, March 9. At this meeting a questionnaire will be distributed to all members regarding the objectives and goals of AGS. Those students eligible for the club membership are listed below. To be eligible, a student must have at least a 3.0 average and have carried at least 12 units last semester.

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LETTERS

Dear Mr. Wagner,

After reading the article on "Job Discrimination," in the Talon Marks and the remarks attributed to you. I find it necessary to write this letter to you.

I find it extremely difficult to believe that you, an administrator, could be capable of these remarks without being truly objective.

Mr. Wagner, where did you get your start? Were you one of the fortunate ones to have a parent as an administrator or are you a "self-made" individual?

A large number of male students have served in Vietnam fighting for our country and yet these people who have risked their lives are "not proven" in order to obtain college campus employment? How can one obtain the title of "proven," unless he is given a fair chance somewhere? "Unreliability of students," upon what do you base this on just a couple of cases or on the entire student body? How can you justify hiring high school students when college students everywhere are in need of gainful employment?

Out of the over 17,000 students, one finds it difficult to believe that you cannot fine more than a few Cerritos students to handle the regimentary work of semester registration. This leads me to suggest that perhaps you should re-evaluate your "qualifications" for employment as this figure seems to be a slight upon the maturity of the college community.

No, Mr. Wagner, it is not a case of proven versus unproven, but that of politics! Education for life requires much more than the academic. One does not prepare for the work world out of text books.

Re-evaluate!

From one who cares,
Marianne R. Zeimen

On February 29, 1972, I met with a founding father and the first president of the advisory committee for the California State Honor Society (Alpha Gama Sigma).

I was informed that this organization was founded by administrators for their own personal status needs. The students needs and demands have never received serious consideration from the State Advisory Committee.

To confirm this, I was informed that in the very first year of existence, a group of students banned together in retaliation against the founding concepts. These students were suppressed; from that time on, the advisors have held the reigns. To quote the sixteen-year veteran advisor I spoke with, "The advisors have had a stronghold on Alph Gama Sigma for sixteen years."

The advisory committee has neglected its duties for sixteen years. It has never attempted to insure compliance with the state constitution.

I next went to the Alpha Gama Sigma archives. (It took me four hours just to locate them.) In the archives I learned that Cerritos College has not filed the required annual report since 1960. We have also neglected to file the required list of members since 1965.

Although these are gross violations of the State Constitution, and grounds for removal, Cerritos has never been issued the slightest warning.

The archives are all but non-existent. They don't contain the founding state charter, the State Constitution, the amendments to the constitution, the current constitution, nor chapter charters and constitutions. "The archives are worthless."

Alpha Gama Sigma was misconceived and has never met the needs of the few chapters throughout the state are active.

I had also intended to contact the state treasurer and current president, but at this point, I am so discouraged that I can't stand any more **good news**.

It is my opinioc that Cerritos College should continue to reorganize its chapter of Alpha Gama Sigma. However, should further resistance be encountered, it might be advisable to withdraw krom Alpha Gama Sigma and organize a separate honor society unique to Cerritos.

Martin Wolff

To Be Teaching Aide

Cerritos To Get New Computer

A new computer system will be aquired by Cerritos as a teaching aide, Dr. Stuart M. Bundy announced at a recent faculty meeting.

The new system, PDP-10 from the Digital Equipment Corporation, for exceeds our expectations of what we thought we would be able to do with the limited funds we have, Bundy stated.

The Digital Equipment Corp. feels that their computer should be used in more junior colleges around this area so the company gave Cerritos a good deal to show that it is a helpful tool in a community college.

The college had outgrown its existing data processing system for which the lease expires this June. The Board of Trustees earlier this year awarded the new lease to the Digital Corp., for their Dec. 10 system. It will be installed starting in April but will not be operational until July.

Bundy stated that he believes that such things as mail-in registration will be possible in the near future with this new machine as well as computer tutoring by department, and other new ideas that will help you the student at Cerritos.

The new computer will be able to handle the above mentioned work as well as payroll, bookkeeping, and other administrative services, Bundy said. But most important it can be used by the student to help himself with hid classes. Bundy noted that the new system will be 10 times faster and have 10 times the memory capability of the existing one.

One of the first steps in the Cerritos changeover will be the introduction in April of the first of a series of nine-week evening classes aimed primarily at helping the faculty learn how to program computer projects that they my want to use in their classes.

Employment Crisis

Talon Marks

CERRITOS COLLEGE

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NO DOUGH — Dale Nelson, Vets Club Vice President and Senator goes at it with Mike Allgood over a disputed 10 per cent difference in fund allocations for the Cheech and Chong concert. Vets would receive 10 per cent (between $300 and $400) for the concert. Cabinet settled the dispute by allocating funds to the Vets.

(TM Photo by George Cormany)

Faculty Evaluation Draft Submitted

The Faculty Senate presented the final draft of their faculty evaluation recommendation last week for faculty approval before the March 14 Board of trustees meeting.

Division meetings scheduled for Friday, March 3, were planned for general discussion of division problems, but, the senate had sent copies of the proposal to most faculty members one day before the meetings.

Senate members hoped that the proposal would be the main topic at division meetings.

Senate discussion indicated the most likely points to be argued at meetings would be the lack of an alternative method of evaluation and that the evaluatee should be a member of his own evaluation team.

Sherril Moses, senator from the Social Science division, said he felt the proposal shouldn't be presented without attaching a suitable grievence proceedure.

Grievence Required

Howard Taslitz, senate chairman, pointed out that the proposal included a provision that review could not be implemented without a grievence proceedure.

Wendell Hanks, chairman of the committee which wrote the proposal, commented that the inclusion of options, "says we have fears, as faculty members, about this evaluation."

Hanks also stated that since the principal purpose of evaluation is improvement, inclusion of alternate evaluation methods will cut teachers who most need evaluation committee help, off from instructional improvement.

Taslitz stated that the board had asked the senate to come up with a proposal for implementation in the fall of 1972 and this is why it is necessary for fast final action.

Grievence ad-hoc committee recommendations are expected to be have been distributed to all faculty senate members by March 6. Discussion of the recommendations are slated for a two hour senate meeting scheduled March 14.

Public Meet Slated

The meeting and discussion of the grievence committee proposal will be the main subject of the senate's public meeting.

Senate members expect discussion to center on size as well as membership of administrators on the grievence committee.

Senate members also heard comments from Mel Wood, sabatical leave committee chairman. Wood stated that so far, 20 faculty members had applied for leave. Seven have applied for full year leaves. This is about the same number of leaves granted last year.

Wood pointed out that the 1972-73 budget called for about $38,000 for full year leaves, about half of last years budget. He said it appears the number of leaves granted this year will also be cut in half.

Budget Action

The senate was allerted to the need for action by the committee to effect budget economies (recommended this year by Howard Taslitz).

It was stated that some senate members wanted to look into areas of budget which could be cut without further cutting into the quality of Cerritos' instructional programs.

Finally, the senate withheld action on a recommendation that fire drills be eliminated until an inspection of safety measures has been completed by Bob Wilmes, a faculty member licensed to make such inspections.

Fire drills will no longer be required by law, in community colleges after March 6. Senate members who teach in the Social Sciences building pointed out, their building had unusual fire hazards which include, lack of planned fire escape routes and facilities for paraplegic escape.

High Schoolers Early Registration Explained

"Students in the Veysey Program do not have as much flexibility of time as a regular student," said Dr. Stephen Epler, Director of Extended Day and administrator of the Veysey Program at Cerritos students should be given first preference for campus employment as set down in the administration regulations according to the ASCC senate who unanimously passed this recommendation during last week's senate meeting.

The recommendation will be sent to the administrative council and will be presented to the Board of Trustees next Tuesday, March 14.

Administrative regulation stipulate that Cerritos students will be given preference for campus employment, according to the bill which was authored by Senator James Masters.

The bill also stated that this policy is not being carried out and that students from other campuses are being given jobs Cerritos students could handle.

"At the present, the best means for obtaining employment at Cerritos College," continued the bill, "is to have a parent or a friend's parent that works here and some employees have more than one child working at Cerritos thru the same office."

Masters explained in the bill that there are some high school students (children of employees), that have worked for as much as three years at Cerritos, and that many Cerritos students need the jobs for which they have applied. One of the reasons why, is that off campus people have taken those jobs.

Other Action

In other action the senate approved Senator Cecil Miller as ICC Commissioner, Jon Preacher as Commissioner of Public Relations, Jay Wright as the new Chief Justice of the ASCC Supreme Court and Margaret Mocciaro and Chris Sherman were approved to fill two of the vacancies in the court, as justices.

During today's senate meeting at 2 p.m. in the boardroom, nine of 16 bills introduced in last Wednesday's meeting will face formal action. The proposed bill amends an article of the ASCC constitution, Article III, section 4.

The amendment says, "The members of the Executive Cabinet shall not serve longer than the term of president. Members of the Executive Cabinet will have no less than a 2.0 grade point average in the semester prior to appointment."

If the bill passes today, it will be on the ballot for the next ASCC election.

Five appointments will also be either approved or disapproved in todays meeting. Senator Bill Hampton's appointment will be considered along with to serve on the ASCC budget committee. Kim Fox's appointment to the food services committee. Leslie Miltimore appointment as party whip. Masters to the curriculum committee, and Paul Rubalcaba's appointment to fill the vacancy in the senate will also be decided upon.

Bill 983 if approved will require that a person paid for doing any ASCC activity will be ineligible for receiving a gold, silver, or bronze falcon for that activity and or for using that specfic activity in a reason for a gold, silver, or bronze falcon.

Another bill introduced last week states that the election of senate officers be given on the second meeting of each new senate and that nominations be opened and closed for these offices in the first meeting of the new senate.

Senate Speaks On Jobs

In explaining the reasons why high school students get the priority to register for classes before Cerritos students, he said "75 per cent of the students are enrolled in classes in the afternoon, at night or on Saturdays; therefore, they do not go for the popular hours in the morning."

New classes were created to meet the demands, and some Veysey students "were exempted from a few of the classes that they don't really need," according to Epler. "We try not to let the Veysey students interfere with the regular students," he said.

The Veysey Program is in its fifth semester of operation at Cerritos and the procedure for registering these high school students differs every time. "We are playing it by ear," he said. For example, Veysey students will ngt register until "the second day of the new student registration period, which is the sixth day of regular registration for the coming fall semester," according to Epler.

The Veysey Program began at Cerritos in the fall of 1969 after Dr. Siegfried Ringwald, president of the college came from Long Beach City College. Together with Dr. Harlan Stamm, they sold the program to the high school district," said Epler. It resulted in a spring semester enrollment of more than 1,200 students at Cerritos, one-sixth of all the Veysey students in the state.

Allows More Students

The Veysey Program which derived its name from a legislation by Victor Veysey, expanded considerably the older advanced placement concept. It allowed more students, not only the very bright ones, to register for college work. Under the bill's provision, up to 15 per cent of a high school's junior and senior class could be recommended to attend the college.

The high school students are given a chance to take vocational and technical as well as transfer courses. Therefore, it eliminates the "high cost, low enrollment classes at the high schools," said Epler. "This also enables the students to utilize the college's technical facilities and work with its fine faculty," he said.

One important aspect of this program is that "it's a good thing for encouraging students to consider college. It gives them an opportunity to find out," said Epler.

By MARK LANE
and
AL WHEELER
TM Staff

The situation concerning hiring malpractices here has now reached to administrators found to be in violation of district policy as well as others responsible for hiring on-campus workers.

The controversy stemmed from an article in the March 1 issue of TM which revealed inconsistencies in job hiring practices within the admissions and records department.

Edward Wagner, head of that department, compared "proven" people (those with relatives employed by the college) to "unproven" (Cerritos students in general).

Wagner explained he was unable to find responsible Cerritos students to fill job openings.

There is a question concerning how great an attempt was made to employ Cerritos students for available on-campus jobs.

The issue centers on section 8034.3 of district policy code, which reads:

"No member of the immediate family or nephew, neice, nephew-in-law, or niece-in-law, of any administrator in the district shall be employed in any capacity by the district."

Although this section refers to administrators only, section 8034.1 concerns all district employees and reads:

"It is recommended that no more than one member of any immediate family be regularly employed by the district at any one time for certificated positions and not more than one member of the same immediate family be employed at any one time for classified positions."

Keith Adams, coordinator of financial assistance, said "we have an obligation to the students here primarily." It was charged by James Masters, ASCC Senator, that non-Cerritos students and students from other districts were being employed.

Adams has had two daughters employed by the school and a daughter's girlfriend, who is a student in another district.

Madge Coto, job placement interviewer, stated that all available on-campus jobs are processed through her office. However, Mike Allgood, ASCC President, denies that the jobs in question were ever made available to Cerritos students by the Job Placement Office.

Coto, whose daughter has been employed by the college, said any job openings received from Wagner's department had and would be posted by the job placement office.

Masters, who is responsible for prompting the investigation into the hiring practices, and Allgood, will bring the hiring matter before the board of trustees at the next meeting in order to obtain a solution to what they term "discriminatory hiring practices."

Many Problems Discussed

Help-Line Assists Young

The woman's voice on the other end of the Help-Line was tense and nervous. She was tired of taking care of her invalid husband and intended to kill him and her daughter. The call was traced and police rushed to the scene rescuing the man and child.

Help-Line aids young people by offering assistance on drug abuse, pregnancies, emotional problems and family conflicts.

Help-Line answering service, upon receiving a call, finds out where the person lives, then connects him to a counselor in his city.

The counselor gives advice and may refer him to another agency (for legal counseling or medical advice), or if the problem is serious, suggests he go to the walk-in counseling center for further assistance.

A professional staff (including two psychologists, Dr. James Lisle, center director, and Dr. Patrick O'Connor, coordinator of volunteers) works full time conducting individual and group counseling, rap sessions, and family counseling (for those desiring it).

"All counseling is strictly confidential," said Dr. O'Connor. "We don't keep files on the youths who come here."

It is still too early to determine how well the center is doing, but the young people who have frequented the center since it opened Dec. 13 are progressing, according to Dr. O'Connor.

"The youth here are responding very well," he said. One 21 year old was strung out on drugs a few weeks ago, but now he is 'straight'. He comes here every day doing work around the center and helping out the staff."

Diversion Program

Help-Line has also developed a diversion program for first offenders. Law enforcement agencies work in conjunction with Help-Line by sending arrested youths to the center for rehabilitation.

"We get three or four diversion cases a day at the center," said Dr. O'Connor. "We talk to them and work with their families if possible. Many of the problems begin in the home, and by working with the parents, some of these problems can be dissolved."

Dr. O'Connor said the biggest problem the center handles is emotional disturbance. The biggest symptom of this problem is drug abuse.

Help-Line is a non-profit organization funded by the California Counsel on Criminal Justice (CCCJ). The CCCJ granted a total of $89,000 to Help-Line for one year. The eight cities in the district raised $30,000 to help finance professional assistance, counseling help, and other services.

These funds are now being used to lease the Help-Line field facility and next month they will be utilized to open a new center in Lakewood or Cerritos. The center will open after a site is found.

The Help-Line telephone service, 860-5578, operates 24 hours, and serves the eight city Cerritos College district (Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, La Mirada, and Norwalk).

The center, 12727 Studebaker Road, in Norwalk, is open Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 12 to 5 p.m.

HELP LINE — Coordinator of Volunteers Patrick O'Connor counsels youths at the Helpline Youth Counseling Center in Norwalk. Young people can call anytime to discuss their problems with O'Connor or any of the volunteers at the center.

(TM Photo by George Cormany)

Patton Show Causes Problem

An overflow crowd of more than 400 persons attended the Cerritos College film presentation of "Patton" last Tuesday night creating several problems for a Cerritos administrator.

"In the past it was customary to admit guests into the theatre if seats were available," said Richard Robinson, dean of men, "but this time I made sure our own students received first crack at the seats."

The capacity crowd of the Burnight Theatre is set at 400 and the theatre was unable to accomodate those students declared as guests.

Robinson, admitting students at the door with student body cards, was criticised, threatened and humiliated by persons who were asked to step aside until Cerritos students had found seats.

"I closed the door at 400," said Robinson, "and during the second performance were able to accomodate all sludents who waited in line."

Robinson pointed out that to avoid such a situation any married student could purchase a "Spouse Card" which admits any students spouse to all events and privileges a regular student has.

The cards are sold for $7.00, full time students, and $3.00 part-time students at the Student Center Box Office.

"If the problem continues," said Mike Allgood ASCC president, "we'll eliminate the guest policy completely."

News Briefs

NEW SHAKESPEARE COMPANY — Two performances by the New Shakespeare Co. of San Francisco will be staged this weekend. Mar. 11, "Midsummer Night's Dream" will be presented and on Saturday, Mar. 12, "Romeo and Juliet." Tickets are $1.50 per person and may be purchased at the Student Center Box Office.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILM FESTIVAL — Two full length feature films will be shown during the Spring Foreign Language Film Festival. On Monday, Mar. 13, the Spanish film, "Moment of Truth," will be presented in color with English subtitles. On Thursday, Mar. 16, the Thomas Mann novel, prize winning story, **Buddenbrooks**, will be shown.

CERAMIC ART SHOW — The Cerritos ceramic art show will continue through Sunday, Mar. 12 in the Cerritos Art Gallery. Gallery hours are: Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. and Sunday through Friday from noon to 4:30 p.m. The gallery is closed on Saturdays.

CAL STATE LONG BEACH REPRESENTATIVE — Mr. Robert Barsia of the Cal State Long Beach E.O.P. program will be on campus Tuesday, March 14, and Friday, March 24 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Interested students should make appointments at the Counseling Office.

New Mexican American Studies Coordinator

Ex-Farm Laborer Counsels Chicanos

By JOE EHRENKRANZ
TM Staff Writer

He's worked the grape fields, he's lived the life of the barrio, he's seen the violence it breeds and now he's trying to guide Chicanos into the academic way of life.

The Chicanos, or as he says it, "without getting into the argument of semantic terminology, . . . the browns, the Mexican-Americans or the Latin speaking people, are going to get ahead by bettering themselves and their own kind.

He's Phil Rodriquez, Mexican-American Studies coordinator at Cerritos. He further believes that the stress should be on getting the potential dropout from school pointed back into education.

That's why he's coordinating a new community services program from working with high school students in the Cerritos district. Presently the recruitment program is targeted at Excelsior, Glenn, Gahr and Artesia

Retention Goal

His job is to assist Tony Rodriquez, no relation, in the recruitment and retention of phase of the Mexican American Studies project.

The most important thing according to the younger Rodriquez is to get the borderline dropout onto the campus, show them around and point out the fact that there are people interested in their welfare.

Whether or not his nominees for the program sign up for a class in the ethnic studies section really does not bother the intern coordinator.

Naturally he prefers that they take at least one such class, "but that is not as important as just getting them started. They can, and probably will, sign up for such classes later along the line," commented Rodriquez.

Last fall's total net graded students, those who received final grades for the fall semester, this past January, numbered 16,585.

High Rate

Of this figure, according to the assistant coordinator, only 1,773 were of Spanish surnamed students. Disproportionately, according to Rodriquez, 20 per cent or 362 students are on scholastic probation.

Research into the records of persons on probation, both those who have returned to campus and those who were away from school this past year, has shown that a lot of the recorded "f" grades were the result of failure to drop classes correctly.

Rodriquez's task, as he sees it, is to write to these people, over 50 per cent of those on probation, and get them to petition office to have the poor grade expunged.

Sees Trend

He points out that he senses a trend towards success in his efforts, since in one week's time that there has been 17 answers received back.

Last week, the second high school group arrived for briefings and counseling. Seven students from Gahr High in Cerritos were given a tour of the campus and later counseled by Bedal Diaz. Six of these seven pre-enrolled and one was already receiving state aid from the Vessey program.

Before then a group of 60 students from Artesia High were bussed to campus and Rodriquez learned that is easier to work with smaller groups and thus the smaller group from Gahr.

None Excluded

He stresses that even though his job is mainly involved with recruitment of the Mexican American studies program participants, "by no means stretch of the imagination are we going to exclude any student who comes to us for aid and counseling.

"We are making a conscious effort to hit all the lower economic groups. Getting them early gives them a better chance to get classes at the semester's outset.

They come to the campus and are counseled and pre-programmed by Diaz and then may return on their appointment date when registration begins. The only advantage they have over other students is that they have a pre-plan, according to Rodriquez.

Other than that,ithese students face the same problems of closed out classes, says Rodriquez.

NO RESPONSE — Conductor Phillip Westin and piano soloist John Jensen (right) try to elicit a decent response from the Cerritos Symphony Orchestra without great success. The concert took place last Thursday at Burnight Center.
(TM Photo by George Thompson)

HELPING HAND — Paul Vargez gets registration help from Philip Rodrigez who is recruiting high school students especially Mexican American students from local high schools.
(TM Photo by George Cormany)

Club Notes

HSCC Sponsors Drive

HSCC

The Handicapped Students of Cerritos College will be out pounding the pavement Saturday, March 11, for the Crippled Children's Society annual fund-raising drive.

Bill Hampton, president of HSCC, announced today the club would be at the Cerritos Shopping Mall March 11 handing out coin containers to shop owners in an effort to raise money for the Society. Other schools in the LA county area will have clubs doing the same thing in other areas. It is hoped that the county will be covered with these brightly decorated coin containers, Hampton said.

The HSCC does a lot for the disabled young adults in this area and needs your help, so if you see these containers around you, please donate

Students for McGovern

All students are encouraged to increase their political awareness by using the facilities offered by the Students for McGovern. McGovern supporters supply information about their candidate at tables across from the student center fountain, each Tues., and Wed., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The club welcomes the opportunity to discuss issues with students and invites those supporting McGovern to join their organization.

AGS

There will be an AGS meeting for all members on Thursday, March 9, at 11 a.m. in LH 1.

CRA

CRA tennis team will practice in the gym from 11-12 noon on Thursday, March 9. Same day, CRA tennis vs. West L.A. from 2-6 p.m. here at the Cerritos tennis courts. On Thursday, March 11, CRA practice in gym for volleyball

Sinawik

On Saturday, March 11, Sinawik will conduct a cup rally. Information concerning the rally can be found by contacting any Sinawik member.

Lack of Rehearsal Evident at Concert

By ROGER PARKS
TM Copy Editor

Good programming does not always make a symphony orchestra, or a good concert. Such was the case when the Cerritos Symphony Orchestra presented its concert last Thursday night.

The piece selected for the opening was the "Prelude" from Wagner's opera "Der Meistersinger von Nuremburg." It was, as were all of the selections, plagued by intonation difficulties.

The concert's principle problem seemed to be a rather obvious lack of rehearsal. I must, however, admire the skill, and the nerve, of Phillip Westin for his prowess in conducting.

It takes much courage to "even attempt" to present such a program. The only criticism I have for him is that the final section of the "Prelude" was really not interpreted for all of the dramatics contained in the opera.

Too Loud

The other major complaint is that the orchestra itself played the section prior to the climax much too loudly. This resulted in little or no contrast, especially in dynamics contained within the powerful finale.

The one selection that really lived up to advance billing was the Brahams' First Piano Concerto, with John Jensen as soloist. He played the solo part with great vigor and style. Unfortunately, the orchestra had a very difficult time in keeping up with him so far as dynamics and phrasing were concerned.

In particular, the violincellos had a bad time in the first movement playing the secondary theme. Once again, that old demon of bad intonation came back to harry them.

The second movement contains some of what I consider to be Brahms' best writing. Jensen acquitted himself extremely well in this movement, especially in the cadenza. The orchestra surprised quite pleasantly here, playing fine support -- without encumbering, and cleanly but not hollowly.

The third movement opened with the soloist playing tightly, and the orchestra playing loosely. This section ended in a similar manner, but between the opening and closing chords, the orchestra managed to play with the best style that was heard that evening. In general, the opinion was that the orchestra besides needing much more time in rehearsal, needed more taste in playing.

After intermission, the orchestra came back to embalm an already dead composer, Mussorgsky, with one of his own works, "Pictures at an Exhibition." The opening "Prominade" was played with much taste and control, but somehow the performance went downhill from this point.

Scream of Pain

The next major scream of pain came in the second major section, "The Old Castle." It served to re-inforce the opinion that one should always obtain an alto saxophone player from outside the orchestra, rather than relying on the principle oboist to allegedly double on alto

There the problem was that he rushed all of the solo alto entrances, thus covering up quite a bit of really good sectional playing. The "stepping upon" was just as irritating as Abbott clobbering Costello's lines.

The final section, "The Great Gate at Kiev," was played, perhaps **over-played**, for acoustical capabilities of Burnight Center. It was, however, played with some notion of dynamics and musical style

An over-all opinion would be that this orchestra shows much promise for the future, and should be considered for a very entertaining evening

Record Review

Lightfoot — Dominant Line

By LARRY BAKER
TM Staff Writer

Many an obscure folksinger has spent years doing tasteful work for a label that doesn't know how to handle his talents. Moving to another company that knows the value of advertising, he must then, more often than not, put up with a not-too-conservative arranger embellishing his work with all kinds of syrupy strings and things

Gordon Lightfoot spent nearly a decade relatively unknown with United Artists before moving to Reprise Records almost two years ago. Since then he has released two impeccable and widely-renowned LP's for that company. Although the strings are present, they are, for the most part, tastefully controlled and have only added to the inherent beauty of Lightfoot's music.

His third LP for Reprise, entitled **Don Quixote** and due out this week, continues in the same mold as its two predecessors, which is simply compelling Lightfoot lyrics, sung with a hypnotizing Lightfoot voice, and intertwined with masterful Lightfoot guitar work(with a little help from his friends).

Most of this material was previewed at the newly-bewhiskered Lightfoot's appearance here at the **Troubadour** in January, and now, as then, stands as a tribute to the Canadian's immense musical talent. The LP, as the two previous, contains not a single weak track, and has two unqualified masterpieces, mesmerising in their beauty.

The title track and "Ode to Big Blue," opening bands on each side, rank with the best of Lightfoot's work, which should say enough for them.

In addition to those two, "Second Cup of Coffee", "On Susan's Floor", "Looking at the Rain", and "Beautiful" exude the same Lightfoot charm which has enchanted many a couple and sealed many a relationship.

This LP, if it accomplishes nothing more, merely confirms a dominant Lightfoot line from the release: "I'm not your ordinary man".

Spring Film Festival Begins

The Spring Foreign Language Film Festival begins Monday March 13 with the first presentation of "Moment of Truth", a Spanish film presented in color with English subtitles

The movie depicts a bullfighter climbing to success. Miguel Mateo Miguelin, one of Spain's outstanding matador, portrays the poor young man who acquires fame and fortune as a result of these skills in the ring.

The Thomas Mann novel prize winning story "Buddenbrooks" will be shown next Thursday, March 16. An outstanding cast of international acclaimed German players is featured according Margaret Bluske, dapartment chairman of foreign languages.

Both films begin at 7:30 in Burnight center and everyone is invited to see the movies free of charge

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