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Election turnout lowest in memory

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editor

Apathy or ignorance. This just may be the only debate to come out of the last election and its 170 total vote turnout.

Certainly, according to Elections Board Chairman Robert Ashley, there will be no debate over violations, there were none.

Certainly, there will be no debate over the outcome, it was virtually determined on Sept. 18 when filing closed without enough senators to fill all the senate seats, and without a single race in any college.

"It was a non-race. The constitutional question was not one that was of interest to the students," Ashley said.

According to the Ashley, this election were two the top vote getters, the ballot questions on Dead week and limiting book orders were the only items of interest to students on the ballot.

"The senators were supposed to go out and drum up support for the ballot questions...I didn't see anyone out there.

According to Ashley, in past races, there have been fliers up, and candidates out talking to students.

"I didn't see any fliers up besides the ones I put up myself for the ballot questions," he said.

Ashley said \$1,775 went into the new election system from student fees.

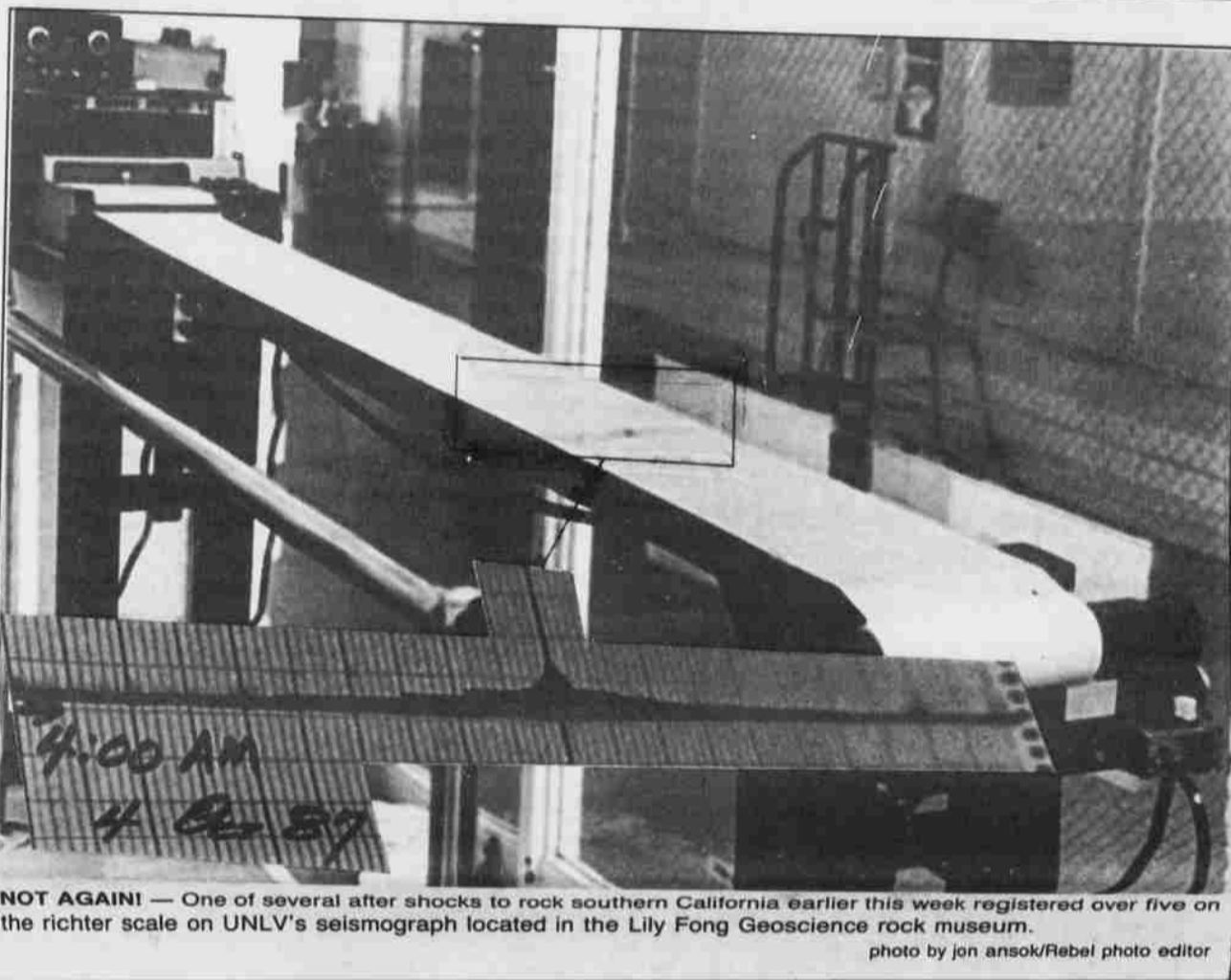
In the last election there were nearly 1,400 ballots cast, the largest total to date.

The 170 votes cast was one of the lowest turnouts elections veteran Ashley has ever seen.

"This is the lowest turnout I can remember," he said. "There was one where there were only 1,000 ballots cast and I was disappointed then."

The top vote-getters in this election were two ballot questions, one dealing with the limitation of book orders for lower-division classes, to increase book sales, the other dealing with a dead week during which professors would be prevented from giving tests.

These two questions earned 143 to 23 and 142



NOT AGAIN! — One of several after shocks to rock southern California earlier this week registered over five on the richter scale on UNLV's seismograph located in the Lily Fong Geoscience rock museum.

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to 24 votes respectively.

The third highest vote getter was the revised CSUN constitution with a tally of 123 for and 35 against.

The top vote getter for all the senate races was Jennifer McGinty from Business and Economics

with 31 votes.

Next came Greg Bailey with 30 votes.

Jack Spicer, Business and Economics and Kristi Carlson, Arts & Letters tied for third with 28 votes each.

The rest of the vote totals are as follows: Tony

Sanchez, Arts & Letters, 27; Christine Mangual, Arts & Letters 26; Charles Smith, Arts & Letters 26; Marco Henning, Business & Economics, 26; Mike Bosma, 24, Business and Economics; Christy Bennett, Hotel, 21; Cheryl Baggett, Science, Math &

Engineering, 20; Joel Ax, Science, Math & Engineering, 18; Cathy Giff, Hotel, 17; Greg Smith, Science Math & Engineering, 16; Merrilee Clay, Academic Advising, 11; Mary LaVarna, Education, 11; and Brandy Hoffman, Health Science, 4.

Video Yearbook sales up to ten

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Sales for the CSUN-sponsored video yearbook have been less than brisk thus far this semester. Only 10 copies have been sold as of Oct. 5.

Yearbook editor Toby Romer said there is a reason, though.

"A video yearbook has never been done before, so therefore, no one has anything to look at, and

nobody wants to buy anything blind."

To solve that problem Romer plans to make a short clip advertising the yearbook, and show it in the student union.

The videos have been selling for \$7 and were originally supposed to be sold for \$12 starting Oct.

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The cost of the project,

which draws its funds from the Publications Board budget, is \$3,000 for new video equipment, a fee waiver and \$200-a-month stipend for Romer, and a partial fee waiver and a \$150-a-month stipend for the assistant editor, Carl Cook.

If a person were to add up the total expenses and subtract the \$70 generated income so far, he might get the idea that

the video yearbook project is headed for financial disaster.

But, Romer said, the money will be made up in another way, through advertising. Romer said he plans to sell about 40 minutes of advertising to appear at the end of the video.

If the time is sold, the project will break even or possibly turn a profit.

Romer originally ap-

proached the Publications Board for permission to hire a non-student to sell advertising for the video yearbook, but withdrew the request before the board had a chance to act. CSUN has a generally policy reserving such opportunities for students.

Romer said UNLV student Palma Wesely would serve as ad manager.

Romer says he initially plans to have 100 copies of the yearbook produced

with more tapes being duplicated as demand calls for them.

CSUN President Kirk Hendrick was optimistic about the project despite initially weak sales.

"If we sell less than 50, then we'd have to really re-evaluate, but if we sell 50, those people will tell everyone and I think sales will double next year," Hendrick said.

"To be a success we'd like to sell 200," he added.