

Weekly Police Blotter



Theft & Burglary

Oct. 5—An unknown suspect took a briefcase from an office in the William D. Carlson Education Building.

Oct. 6—A wallet was taken from Frank & Estella Beam Hall. It was found, minus some cash, in the Flora Dungan Humanities Building.

Oct. 7—An office safe was left open in CEB. University police counted the money and checks and secured the safe.

Oct. 7—An unknown suspect took a purse from CEB.

Car Vandalism

Oct. 5—An unknown suspect splashed a vehicle with acid in parking lot K near the Public Safety Building.

Oct. 6—A vehicle was hit by an unknown suspect in another vehicle in parking lot D, east of FDH. The incident occurred on Oct. 4.

Oct. 6—A vehicle was hit by another on Sept. 30. The driver stated he would pay for damages but refused to give his insurance information.

Oct. 7—An unknown suspect poured acid onto a victim's vehicle in parking lot N, east of the Film Studies Building. The incident occurred on Oct. 6.

Miscellaneous

Oct. 5—A resident of the Cottage Grove Apartments accidentally shot himself in the leg. A university police officer secured the apartment and took the gun for safekeeping while the Clark County Fire Department helped the victim.

Oct. 6—An officer injured his right leg in a confrontation while backing Las Vegas Metropolitan Police in an accident and foot pursuit. The officer was taken to Desert Springs Hospital for medical attention. The incident took place on Tropicana Avenue.

Drugs on Campus

Oct. 6—Two students face disciplinary action after a university police officer found them smoking marijuana in their car in Thomas & Mack parking lot 8.

The officer, who had the option of arresting them, turned the case over to student services instead. The university's disciplinary measures will be much lighter. If the students had been arrested they would have faced felony charges.

"However it ends up they won't lose their civil rights. It's obviously not what they intended when they stopped the car and smoked grass," said Robert Ackerman, vice president for student services.

Liz Baldizan, special assistant for Judicial Affairs, will meet with them this week to decide what disciplinary action will be taken. According to Ackerman, the students will probably be given a choice of resolving the problem informally with Baldizan or appearing before a hearing board.

California students demonstrate against cuts

LOS ANGELES (CPS)—Thousands of California State University (CSU) students walked out of classes in September in a statewide protest of education cuts and fee hikes that resulted in at least two arrests.

Some protesters charged they were beaten by police when a demonstration near San Diego State University turned violent. About 500 students marched to and blocked a freeway off-ramp, where a confrontation between police officers and demonstrators took place.

"Unfortunately, things got a little ugly," said Merek Findling, 21, one of the protest organizers. "There were 34 patrol cars and motorcycle cops there and one helicopter. There were a number of students who were hit with nightsticks. Two students were arrested. Nothing like this has ever happened before."

San Diego Police Department officials confirmed the arrest of two women during the march, although they did not report any students were struck with nightsticks. The incident occurred during two days of

speeches and workshops about education cutbacks.

Other campuses in the 20-campus CSU system held similar rallies protesting a 40 percent fee hike and 8.8 percent budget cut. Organizers encouraged professors to let students out of class in order to attend the rallies and strengthen the protest message to the state government.

The response was mixed. At Cal State Northridge, many students either ignored the protests or said they felt pressured by professors not to skip class. Only a few professors were visible at the protests, a sharp contrast to an Aug. 31 faculty protest that drew visible support from Northridge students.

Findling said the situation was similar at San Diego. "There were some faculty that were not at all conducive to what was going on. There were some faculty that did administer tests and were adamant about it," he said.

There were some exceptions. Associate professor Mindy Lorenz canceled her art history class to encourage Northridge

students to participate. "It's the only class I teach today, but I would have canceled all of them (this week) if I had to," Lorenz said.

Even with limited faculty support, the call for educational fairness brought thousands of students to outdoor lawns, microphones and marches during the two-day event. At least 200 students staged peaceful protests at CSU Long Beach, while more than 500 Cal State Northridge students marched and dozens more held a candlelight vigil and briefly staged a sit-in at the president's office.

Aimee Brunsvold, 18, a freshman, ignored both her professors and her father to attend a rally. "My dad said, 'I'm paying for this. Why don't you go to class?' I said, 'Because I don't believe in it.'"

A spokesman at the CSU chancellor's office in Long Beach said the protest didn't have any widespread impact on the universities' operation statewide, although there were some reports of fire alarms being pulled to disrupt classes.

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curity on the northern universities part. "We can assume that they're not proud of their city," said Robert Ackerman, vice president for Student Services.

Mike Kennedy, Nevada student affairs director at UNLV, said UNR's name choice is, "a move to make themselves more impressive than they are."

Student Body President Joel Kostman said, "If they (UNR) would like to refer to themselves as the University of Nevada

second class, that's okay because we're the class of Nevada."

Recently, the controversy has moved into athletics. According to a recent Nevada Appeals article, Andy Geerken of the Big West Athletic Conference was asked by UNR to refer to the Wolf Pack teams as Nevada.

After complaints from UNLV's administration and athletic department, the Big West has now chosen to use UN Reno in reference to the Wolf Pack.

Art Jiminez, the UNLV

alumni member at large, explained the statement is misleading to those outside of Nevada and added, "UNR should be a little more sensitive to the fact that there are two universities in Nevada."

Page explained UNR is not trying to steal any attention from UNLV by staking the claim on the name Nevada.

"That's what we've been known by for some 70 years," he said.

News Briefs

ACLU intervenes in citadel case

CHARLESTON, S.C. (CPS)—The American Civil Liberties Union has petitioned a federal court to stop The Citadel from closing a program to avoid admitting women veterans into the school.

The Citadel, a state-run military institution in Charleston, S.C., closed its day-school program for male veterans rather than admit women veterans who have sued to gain access to day classes.

"The school would rather be dead than co-ed," said Isabelle Katz Pinzler, director of the ACLU's Women's Rights Project. The ACLU is working with a local counsel in Charleston and the New York-based law firm of Shearman & Sterling in the case.

Three female veterans sued the school in June to be allowed to attend the same day classes that male veterans attended. Instead of admitting the women, The Citadel closed down the program, and the 78 males enrolled in the program were

transferred to other classes in the evening program and summer school.

Except for the night program, the school is all-male.

Record enrollment predicted

WASHINGTON (CPS)—College and universities expect enrollment for the 1992-93 school year to be a record 14.3 million students, the Department of Education reported.

This is a 1 percent increase from the previous academic year officials said in the department's annual back-to-school forecast. Higher attendance rates for high school graduates, women and older students returning to school were cited as reasons for the increase in enrollment.

Spending for higher education was expected to rise 5 percent to \$172 billion. Public institutions are expected to spend \$111 billion, or \$14,100 per full-time student, and private school spending is forecast to be \$61 billion, or \$24,700 per student.

Student insurance covers abortions

COLUMBUS, Ohio (CPS)—Women at Ohio State University who are covered by the school's student insurance plan can have off-campus abortions under the policy, school officials said.

They must pay a \$200 deductible and 20 percent of the remaining expenses. Since abortions are covered under the university's comprehensive major medical services, the annual deductible applies to all services rendered under the category, the *Ohio Lantern* reported.

If a student has met the deductible, she is responsible for 20 percent of the abortion costs.

Ohio State does not have an abortion clinic, and students must make their own arrangements.

Under an old plan, claimants paid a \$100 deductible, and an insurance company paid all expenses up to \$150. Out of \$5.4 million paid in claims in 1991, \$13,438 was paid in abortion expenses, university officials said.

U.N. Food Day downlinked to Las Vegas

The United Nations' 1992 World Food Day Teleconference will be shown Friday at the Las Vegas downlink site in Flora Dungan Humanities, Room 143.

The teleconference, titled "Nutrition: Linking Food, Health and Development," originates from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and will be broadcast from 3 to 6 p.m.

According to Doug Imig, political science professor, the conference will focus on children at risk in Latin America and the Caribbean where agricultural

practices have resulted in the deterioration of the productive potential of the land.

"Most importantly, this United Nations Food & Agricultural organization conference will attempt to make headway on the existing consensus among experts that the problem of child malnutrition can be solved apart from the collateral issues of poverty and national economic growth," Imig said.

—Randy Miller