

# Students Slate Tough Luck' Night

Free entertainment for the college community will be provided Friday, December 13, 1963 at "Tough Luck Night" which is being sponsored by the Associated Students.

The event, which is to take place in Donnelly Hall, will in-

clude such activities as ping-pong, badminton, chess, checkers or whatever those attending wish to bring and share.

Another feature will be a full length film, the title of which will be announced later.

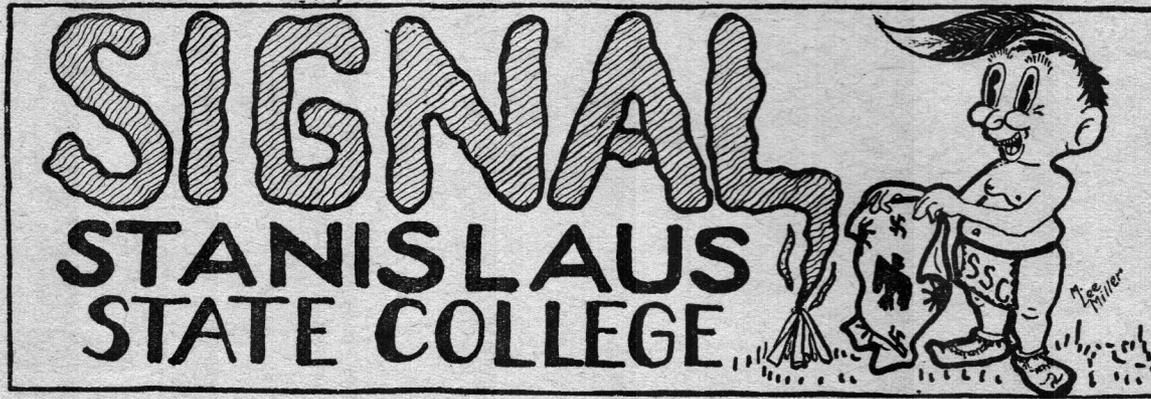
"It is hoped," states Richard

Aman, chairman of the event, "that we will be able to provide an atmosphere in which many of the students, faculty and administration, will be able to share a favorite recreation or just relax and converse."

Those attending or desiring to

attend, who have children, are invited to bring them along, too, since there will be supervised entertainment for the children provided as well.

Refreshments will be served, and like the event itself will be free.



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## VALLEY HIGH SCHOOLS

# SSC Hosts Art Show For Teachers

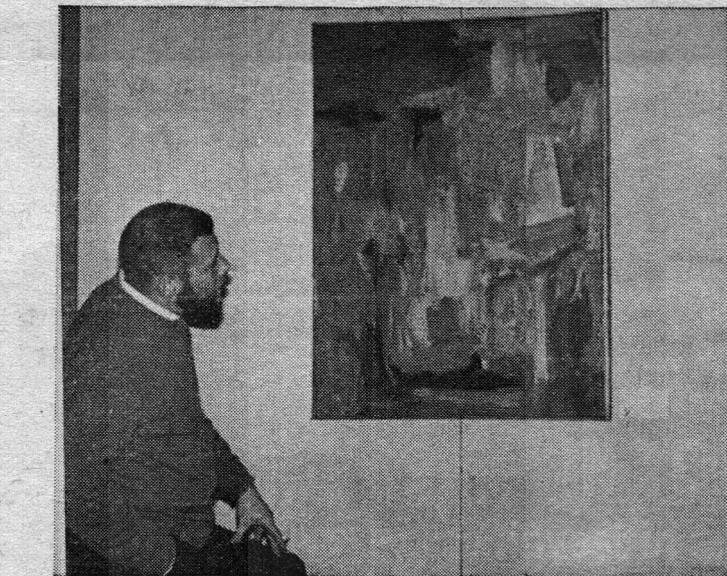
The first annual art show featuring the work of art instructor of the central valley high schools opened last week in Donnelly Hall on the Stanislaus State College campus.

The show, which is free to the public, is being sponsored by the Stanislaus State College Creative Arts division.

The works of the 15 high school art instructors range from oils and water colors to prints. Themes range from the human figure through landscapes and into non-objective art.

Richard B. Reinholtz, chairman of the SSC Creative Arts Division, commented on the art show in a recent interview. He stated that "the high school artist-teacher creates images which reflect many facets of his own life which is reflected in the show. The college sponsors the exhibit with the hope that we can attest in one more way the vital function that our high schools play in our total educational program."

Participating in the show are the following high school art teachers: DuPont B. Vincent, Bret Harte High School, Angels Camp; Luis L. Ruiz, Ripon High School; Dan Petersen, Manteca High School; Donald Lumgair, Los Banos High School; Carl Cammack, Gustine High School; Gerald Park, Patterson High School; Ruth Per-



Prof. Ralf Parton views art display

ry, Riverdale High School; Paul C. Dalzell, Kerman High School; Ronald Koehn, Madera High School; Ron Pecchenino, Manteca High School; Don Lyon, Los Banos High School; Heinz Kusel, Madera High School; Robert Trestrial, Madera High School; Betty Milam, Modesto High School; and Don L. Thomas, Corcoran High School.

## In Honor of JFK

SSC, stunned and heart-broken along with the rest of the nation, by the death of our President, John F. Kennedy, held no classes Friday afternoon or Monday. Tuesday morning a memorial service was held in Donnelly Hall under the direction of Dr. Lloyd Ahlem. Speakers included Dr. Alexander Capurso, college president, Prof. John Rasmussen, faculty representative, and Pat Jara, associated students president.

## Merryman Withdraws From SSC

Jerry Merryman, president of the Associated Students of Stanislaus State College for the academic year of 1963-64 withdrew from college last week and thereby vacated the office of president.

Succeeding to the office of president, as provided for in the constitution, is vice-president, Pat Jara.

Her position as president was recognized by Dr. Joseph Bruggman, Dean of Student Affairs, at last week's AS Executive Board Meeting. The Executive Board in turn extended a vote of confidence to the new chief executive.

Merryman gave "personal reasons" for leaving school.

The following is a statement from Dr. Joseph E. Bruggman to President Alexander Capurso concerning college recognition of the new president.

"Today at the regular meeting of the Student Executive Board, I officially installed Mrs. Pat Jara as President of the Associated Students of Stanislaus State College. She now officially holds the office of Student Body President left vacant when Jerry Merryman withdrew from the College, November 20, giving personal and family reasons for his action.

"The Student Body Constitution states, "Vice President: . . . In case the office of the President becomes vacant, he shall succeed to this office . . ." Although the Constitution implies that the Vice President automatically assumes the office of presidency, I felt it was important that some official action take place; thus my action as your representative on behalf of the College."

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## Editorial

### Why Not Pay A Salary To Our Student President?

Stanislaus State College has a twin. Sonoma State College was established three years ago at Cotati. Their attendance is seven hundred and thirty-nine while ours is seven hundred and fifty-three. It seems that Sonoma State has a much wiser outlook on certain facets of student government than we do. This issue is that of having a salaried student body president. Sonoma State allows their president a monthly salary of \$100 straight salary plus an expense account. Our student body president receives nothing.

It seems extremely unfair that we should expect one individual to contribute so much time, a scarce commodity to all college students, without some compensation. Sonoma State realizes the necessity for a college to have a student president who can spend as much time as possible on affairs pertaining to student affairs. Our student body presidents have done a remarkable job, considering the handicaps they have been forced to work under. However, it is time for us to take a good look at this situation and realize the importance of this issue.

## Dean Discusses

### 'Focus On Positive Action'

Each of us at some time in his life is confronted by situations requiring a choice between two alternatives. Gnawing fear of the unknown may cause a lesser individual to retreat or drown in a cesspool of indecision. For the person sincerely interested in developing himself as an individual personality, a road that suddenly forks will provide double opportunity for experience, and a strange door becomes an invitation to exciting adventure.

Leaders deliberately search out "strange doors" and eagerly welcome opportunities to explore "both roads," realizing the potential for positive decision provided by an expanded perspective. The person with a fear of insecurity is denying himself experience neces-

sary for a well-rounded education and the development of his potential.

Those who assume position of leadership must be prepared to face the risk of criticism and the opposition of those who are often not willing to share the burden of responsibility. Each must live with his own conscience.

The individual who takes neither a positive stand nor positive action will probably make few mistakes; but at the same time, he may learn nothing, accomplish nothing, and be nothing. Willingness to take risks has been aptly expressed by Shakespeare, "Towards die many times before their deaths; the valiant never taste of death but once."

Joseph E. Bruggman  
Dean of Student Affairs

# Approved Student Budget

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF STANISLAUS STATE COLLEGE

Proposed budget for Fall Semester, 1963

Estimated income:

1. Student fees .....	\$1848 00
2. Balance .....	302.62
3. Accounts Receivable ....	128.00
4. Legend .....	937.50
5. Signal .....	165.00
Total estimated Income	\$3381.12

Estimated outgo:

1. Legend .....	\$1012.50
2. Signal .....	565.00
3. Office Equipment .....	300.00
4. Office Supplies .....	130.00
5. Communications .....	114.13
6. C. S. C. S. P. A. ....	150.00
7. General Fund .....	239.34
8. College Union Fund (Spring 1963) ....	274.58
9. Athletics .....	158.87
10. Office Rent .....	100.00
11. Awards .....	20.00
12. Insurance .....	21.70
13. Activities and special events .....	250.00
14. Art Supplies .....	25.00
15. Personal expense .....	20.00
Total estimated outgo	\$3381.12



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# Buffalo Shot On Warrior Campus

By Pat Jara

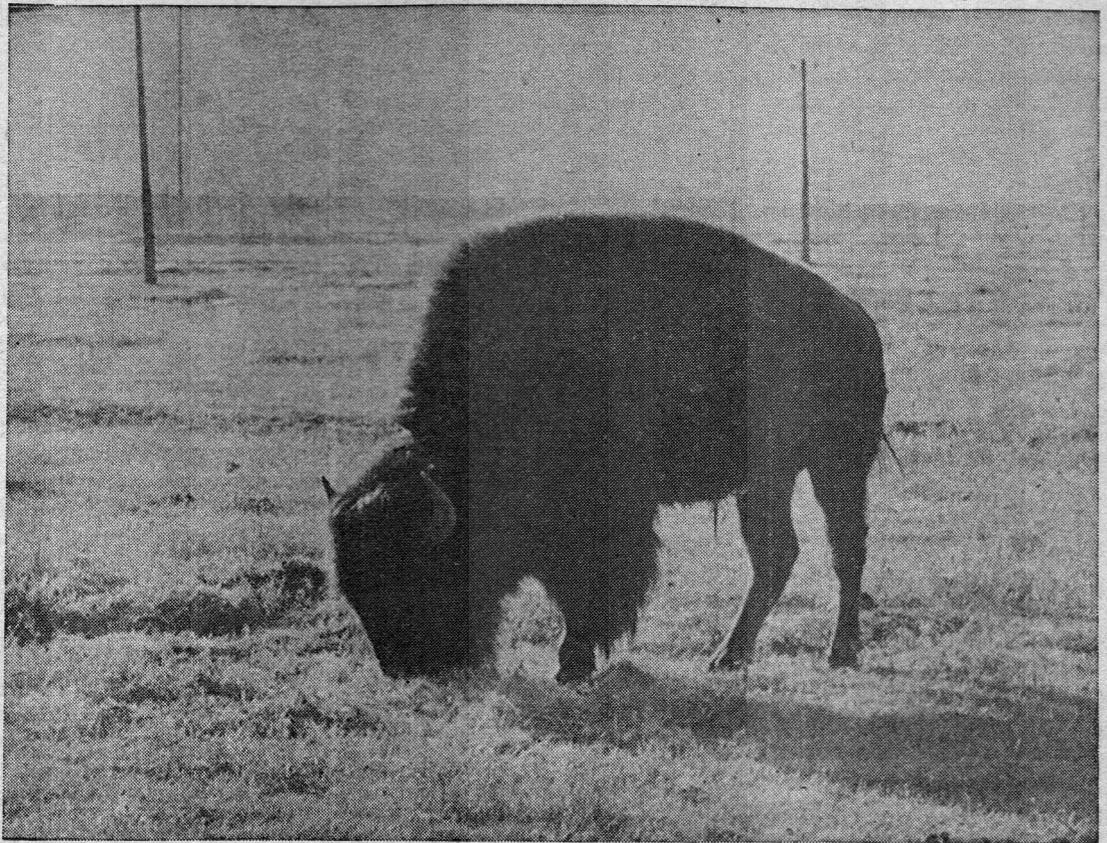
He was just a young fellow when they shot him. Nobody understood him, but he didn't bother anybody. He had left all his kin back in the hills in Montana—and he just wanted to be left alone. And they shot him.

Some say he was just plain mean. He didn't like men or horses or cattle. And when he was around, even the Brahma bulls huddled off in a corner. He wasn't too fond of lady friends though there was always a lot of them around. Guess he was just too young for that sort of thing.

But for those folks who spent their time on the campus of Stanislaus State College, Fancy Pants, for that was his name, held a place dear to their hearts. I guess he was just about as close as you could get to being a symbol of all that college stood for. But the pioneering spirit of the old west that Fancy Pants reminded folks of has lost some of its shine. For Fancy Pants is dead.

It was kind of heartening to see such a strange sight as a buffalo (bison to the scientific minded) munching on the grass as peaceful as could be, as you swung your old buggy into the place called the parking lot. But don't kid yourself, Fancy Pants had a mind of his own.

Why I remember one day when Clyde Rigsbee was trying to make friends with Fancy Pants, Fancy Pants just wasn't a mind to, that day, and when he came over to tell



Clyde so, he left his horns buried near two inches deep in the corral.

Andy Amsbaugh, the rodeo producer, had bought Fancy Pants up in Montana and had figured on using him as a special attraction in the rodeos. Well, that didn't set too well with Fancy Pants he was just too mean some say. He did star one time in a rodeo over in Gustine. I guess he was going to be the main feature in a kind of

bullfight. Well that day he sure showed his stuff. He cleaned house but good. Horses, bulls, cattedogs, rodeo riders — they cleared out of their fast. They almost didn't have anything left for the rodeo.

But Fancy Pants did respect the modern inventions. In fact he had real respect for jeeps and pick-ups and they were the only things he considered worth being herded by. The men around him never used anything else to change him from one pasture to another—they didn't dare.

One day Andy's prize herd dog, Duke, got knocked out twice in ten

minutes figuring that he could herd ol' Fancy Pants around.

One morning last summer they found Fancy Pants among the bulls and cattle that he ate with. But his companions didn't need to worry about being buffaloed any more. Maybe he had been hit by lightning or something, but Fancy Pants was dead. The vet said he had been the picture of health—not sick or anything, so they knew that he didn't just up and die. They found some kind of trouble in his lungs when they examined him—the kind of trouble caused by a bullet. Somebody must have shot him.

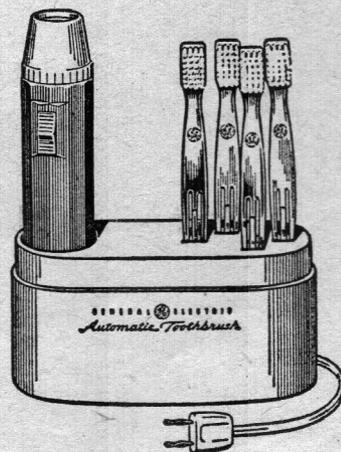
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# Pat Jara Assumes Presidency

By Haig Arakalian, Jr.

With the withdrawal from school of Jerry Merryman, the Associated Students of Stanislaus State College will have a new President Pat Jara, formerly student body vice president.

The new president has been in California since her 12th birthday,

and truly considers herself a native daughter.

President Jara attended Modesto High School, and upon graduation from high school, she was employed in a local bank. With the employment in this banking situation, Pat found the desire to increase her education, and by en-

tering Modesto Junior College she did just that. Upon graduation from Modesto Junior College, President Pat then enrolled at Stanislaus State College.

At SSC she is an English Literature major with a definite interest in the field of Student government. This interest in student government started small and now it has grown to a point where as we all know is the first woman president of Stanislaus State College.

The new president feels that students can grow with the combined efforts of all persons on campus, and SSC can have one of the finest student governments of any State College.

Mrs. Jara hopes the student officers will extend to her the same cooperation that they extended to Jerry Merryman.

## 17,725 Glasses Lost

CORVALLIS, Ore.—The Oregon State University "Barometer," the school's daily newspaper, reported that of the 18,000 drinking glasses purchased in September, 1962 for the school's cafeteria, 17,725 had been stolen by December, 1962.

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## Books Donated to SSC by Society

The Stanislaus State College Library has been presented with 12 scholarly books about Jews and Judaism by the Jewish Chautauqua Society.

According to SSC President Alexander Capurso, the library was permitted to select the books from an extensive list of titles on history art, music, literature, religion and biography.

The books will be useful in a course on Comparative Religious Philosophy which will be offered next spring at Stanislaus State College, College Librarian R. Dean Galloway reports.

## Humanities Chairman To Contribute Story

Dr. Max C. Norton, chairman of the SSC humanities division, has been asked to contribute a chapter to a book of critical essays on Adlai E. Stevenson's speaking through the years.

The request was received from Michael H. Prosser, of the department of drama and speech at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Dr. Norton's chapter will be entitled "Basic Assumptions and Speech Premises in the 1952 Campaign."

# Veneman Speaks On State Education

*Ed. Note: From time to time the Signal will publish statements from legislators in the six county area concerning higher education.*

JOHN G. VENEMAN (R)  
ASSEMBLYMAN FROM 30th DISTRICT

One of the prime responsibilities of our Legislature is to appropriate funds for education. However, during recent years the State has not assumed its proportionate share of responsibility in this area.

Almost eight years ago public education was financed almost equally between local school districts and the State. At the present time, the State contributes only 40% while the local property taxpayers are paying about 58%.

Education finance was a top priority item during the 1963 Session. From the very beginning every major group which speaks for the public schools was in solid agreement on the amount needed and in very close agreement upon the formulas for distribution.

But in the final analysis, education received only half of what was anticipated by most of the lawmakers. Despite the availability of funds, a Senate-Assembly conference committee unexpectedly reported only \$25 million for each of the two coming years.

The appropriation was kept at this lower level as a factor in the fight for county wide equalization. But the welfare of our schools—and of our children—should not become a device for political maneuvering.

On the last day of the Special Session the Conference Committee recommended the \$25 million adopted by the Legislature. This amounts to a 1.3% increase in the per pupil cost of education, and the first per pupil increase in four years, less than enough to offset the annual erosion of the school dollar through inflation.

What happened in 1963 is an old story to which the educator in California has become accustomed—the last minute scuttling of the school finance bill after months of oratory about the desperate plight of our public schools.

Most observers predict additional funds will be made available at the 1964 Budget Session. This prediction is based upon two factors. First, a substantial surplus is anticipated at the end of the 1963-64 fiscal year; and, second, it is politically expedient to provide large funds for education during an election year.

In the meantime, many essential programs have had to be delayed and educators have been left in doubt as to how far they can realistically plan in the future.

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