

# 'Time For A Change In Leadership'

BY Bob Woodward

Principal Larry Lynch has asked for re-assignment, agreeing with Superintendent Newman Walker that it may be time for a change in leadership at Gunn.

During an interview Mr. Lynch stated, "every time you make a decision, you antagonize someone." In addition, he explained that after a time a principal's effectiveness diminishes; "I've taken my best shot, and it would probably benefit the school to have someone else." He also pointed out that a principal's term is typically short, i.e. none of the eight principals employed in the Sequoia Union High School District eight years ago are still in the district. Dr. Walker reaffirmed the idea of periodic changes in administration, stating, "Reassignment is one of the hazards of the job."

Lynch and Walker differed in their accounts of the dialogue leading to the reassignment decision.

Walker said he told Lynch that there appeared to be a communication problem in the administration at Gunn. He suggested that Lynch thoroughly investigate the problems at Gunn. Walker would not elaborate on what these problems were.

Lynch said Walker told him some changes in administration and structure need to be made at Gunn. Lynch asked Walker if he thought him "an effective

agent of this change?" Walker said, "That's up to you." Lynch answered "O.K. put in someone else."

It is unclear what effect school board and community complaints had on the reassignment decision. Some suggested conflicts relating to the block scheduling and the English curriculum were major factors. According to Lynch, "There is a group of very vocal parents who feel the school is too loose."

Reassignment means Lynch is assured a job in the district. While he does not have administrative tenure, he will probably remain an administrator at one of the junior or senior high schools in the district.

Some have expressed concern about how Mr. Lynch's replacement will be chosen. Dr. Walker said a committee composed of teachers parents and students had interviewed applicants. Their selection for Gunn's new principal was Harry Mudd, an unemployed rock star. Mr. Mudd will assume his position in September.

Student I. Pericles saw Lynch's resignation as an end of Gunn's Golden age. Whereas Sam Smith a parent felt it was about time a shake-up occurred.

As for Gunn's future Dee Hawkins of the Graphic arts department was quoted as saying "I think we should blow up the whole (expletive deleted) place!"



Dr. Newman Walker



Larry Lynch



Harry Mudd

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### Dangers of Dope

According to recent studies conducted by the Federal Food and Drug Administration marijuana (known in street language as Mary Jane Killer weed and funny cigarettes) is harmful to the body.

A spokesman for the agency reported on some of the reactions to the drug. "It had various effects on those tested including erosion of the brain, impotency and temporary boldness with women!"

In the report submitted to the President and Congress, page 91 said that in addition to the already mentioned effects which are chemically proven, other symptoms are being explored. Their latest experiment deals with the affect of smoking 750 marijuana cigarettes a day for four years by men with cardiac problems. Few are expected to survive.

A new bill was then submitted to the Congress by Sen. Talyrand of Virginia; it would require the federal government to fund a program of marijuana education for elementary school students. Such a program would require materials including pictures of addicts and pushers. Neither the words sacharin nor brainwash were mentioned by the Senator.

Stanford Professor John Moose of the botany Department commented on the issue. He was of the opinion that Sen. Talyrand's recommendations were premature. Prof. Moose felt that there would be controversy over the findings of the report which needed resolution before any recommendations should be made.

Conflicts have indeed risen. The NHA (National Association of Hippies) has complained to the ACLU, calling the test in-

accurate and inconclusive.

Senator Talyrand countered to these accusations by stating he chose the testers himself.

As for the use of the drug on the Gunn campus, it is estimated that over 87% of the Senior class has tried the drug. Correspondingly SAT score have dropped, incidence of sexual assault on the campus has increased and the number of seniors applying for summer jobs has decreased 87%.

The Administration has tried a revolutionary method to end marijuana use on campus. They have been spending breaks on the hill talking with the students about drug use. This seems to have decreased drug traffic, but Administrative efficiency is down 52%.

### Math Terminated

According to Mr. Struthers head of the Math Department the school district has ordered him to cut out the entire math program next year, as a part of the planned cutbacks in the Palo Alto school district to save money.

At a previous board meeting held on Feb. 28, the board of directors had to cut an estimated \$5.6 million from the projected 77-78 school year budget. In a 3 to 2 vote the board decided to cut out all the math classes at the three high schools.

This shocking news was not released until now because the school board wanted to wait until all the grievances from the math department had been heard.

Naturally the math department was astounded when they heard the news. They protested violently but the decision was final and for the time being no more math.

What this will mean to the

students is unknown since the news is so recent. In talking with several Gunn students the reaction was mixed. Several students were overjoyed, some were mad, while others just didn't believe the astounding news.

One interesting fact about what happened at that board meeting is that no one except the board of directors themselves know why the math department in particular was chosen. An unconfirmed report says that the board of directors flipped a coin several times to decide which department would be cut out. Whether this is true or not, we don't know, but presently, an investigation by several students is under way.

Unfortunately, this cutback will also affect the computer programming classes that were scheduled for next year too. Most of the computer terminals will be sold, except for one or two computers that will be saved for the science department.

### Amy Comming to Gunn

AP (Washington)

President and Mrs. Jimmy Carter announced plans, today pack up the old jellopy and move on out west, to Palo Alto after Mr. Carter's term in office so that Amy may attend Gunn High School.

The Carters said they investigated High schools all over the country and chose Gunn as the finest secondary school in the nation.

When asked what he would do in Palo Alto Mr. Carter replied "What do you think? I am going to grow peanuts experimentally at the Stanford Research

institute." One reporter commented that with Amy's high school years soon arriving this looked like Mr. Carter would not seek re-election. The president had no comment.

Amy's reaction was indifference. As a matter of fact when reporters tried to ask her questions she remarked that she wanted to go play with her dolls. Eventually she commented that the idea of going to California pleased her, "Well at least it won't be so goddam cold there!"

Local reaction was mixed. The Stanford Research Institute was pleased by the President's announcement.

and the Palo Alto city council said they would be happy to arrange housing in the area for the former President.

On the other hand the Los Altos Republican league released the following statement, "He better not try to bring any of his liberal rubbish here to the Bay Area or will fix his wagon!"

The Palo Alto Unified School District was quite proud of being chosen by Mr. Carter Superintendent Newman Walker said "Maybe that peanut farmer isn't so dumb after all!"

#### CALENDER OF EVENTS

Week of April 1-6

FRIDAY APRIL 1 End of Fourth Quarter

Horticulture Club puts on lunchtime show "The Dating Game" starring Fibik Wszola.

SATURDAY APRIL 2

8:00 P.M. Gym: Fibik Wszola Night-free Fibik Wszola posters for first 1000 fans.

MONDAY APRIL 3

Rocky speaks on careers in boxing. Lunchtime in L.S.C. Special guest commentator: Fibik Wszola.

TUESDAY APRIL 4

14th Annual Twit of the Year Competition, football field at lunch. Winner to be crowned by last year's champion, Fibik Wszola.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 5

Baseball Vs. Toronto Bluejays, there, 3:15. Starting pitcher: Fibik Wszola.

THURSDAY APRIL 6

Gunn Jazz Ensemble, M-1, lunch. Guest conductor: Fibik Wszola.



The Carter's announce plans for Amy to attend Gunn

# Cut it Out You 747's

Remember the time when Jaws was first shown? Right afterwards we suddenly started hearing news stories about shark attacks all over the United States. I wondered about that... I was becoming suspicious that the sharks were reading their publicity and capitalizing on it in the only way they knew. But my friends told me I was wrong. So I gave it no more thought.

That is until I heard about the Liberian Oil Tanker that ran aground in New York. Remember how all these oil tankers began leaking and spilling and drowning and filling the ocean with oil that we could look out on the water and say "Look Ma, a water spill!" It was at

that time that my suspicions surfaced again. I wondered if the Liberian Oil Tankers were reading the newspapers and capitalizing on their publicity in the only way they knew. But my friends told me I was wrong. So I gave it no more thought.

But then I heard about those two Boeing 747s which crashed together in Santa Cruz in the Canary Islands. Now I've heard of plane crashes before, but this was ridiculous. How could anyone believe that two Boeing 747s could crash together without anyone knowing about it? And then I realized that it must be a conspiracy. The worst possible thing had occurred. Boeing 747s had decided that they hadn't been re-

ceiving enough publicity.

I would like to use this space to appeal to all Boeing 747s that if they do crash to make sure that there are plenty of survivors on board because this way it makes a much better news story. Oh, I know the pilot would get credit for good flying but can't your ego's take it? And oh yes, when you do crash, do it somewhere outside of the United States otherwise the FDA will probably ban you. My friends tell me that I am wrong, that airplanes will never become that nasty. But I know you. Why don't you pick on someone your own size?

## Gunn Netters Defeated

You might not think that Poland is up on Tennis, but after what happened to our netters seeing is believing. A touring Polish National Team proved to be too much for Leydecker and Co. by just edging out a victory 7 to 2 in a match played at Maples Pavilion recently.

Fibik Wszola a pre-med student started things rolling for his team by soundly upsetting Rick Cowden. The loss was Cowden's first in six years of junior and high school competition. Cowden was so upset after the match that he refused to take a shower. That really stinks.

Rick.

Both Jeff Arons and Mark Evans won in matches that were played outside. John Saviano carried on the old Saviano tradition by making what appeared to be an obscene gesture with his middle finger to a linesman, after a disputed foot-fault call. John won and was kicked out of the match.

As the crowd of about 3000 stood mesmerized around center court, Coach Leydecker was beginning serious thought on a new post of athletic director at Mills College. Coach Ernie was not available for comment.

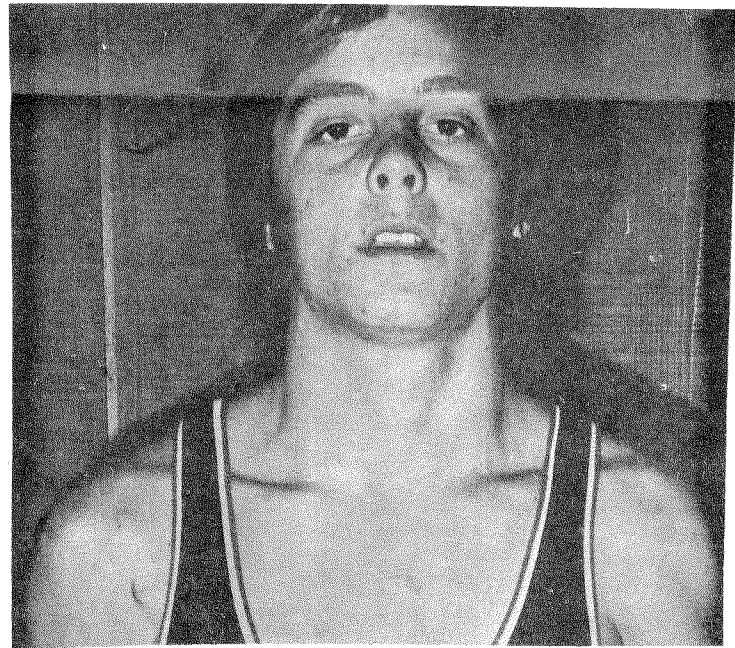
The touring netters are part of a cultural exchange program sponsored by the Nixon Foundation in San Clemente. In return for the touring tennis players, the United States will export 1 million bushels of wheat as soon as the embargo is dropped on wheat.

The defeat although non-league will probably hurt financially more than psychologically. It has been rumored that P.E. wants back all the pairs of shoes that they gave to each player at the start of the season. It has been rumored that J.C. Penney wants their athletic supporters back. What a way to go!

Meanwhile, outside the pavilion a group of picketers marched up and down the sidewalk chanting "Kiss my I'm POLISH!"

As a light drizzle began to fall outside the pavilion, this reporter overheard the following comment: "I'm quitting this stupid tennis team and joining the Polish Liberation Army!" said Varsity player Tom Savides.

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Polish tennis great Fibik Wszola gets "psyched" for match with Rick Cowden.

## Roving Reporter

QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU THINK OF CARTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN? by Vilen

Sorry I don't speak English. Fibik Wszola Pre-med

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The intervention by the capitalistic warmonger is another travesty committed against the people of Eastern Europe. Fibik Wszola Polish National

He is serving out of bounds. If he keeps it up Khrushchev will never be his doubles partner again. Fibik Wszola Famous tennis star

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### Letters To The Editor

## Reader Horrified

Editor:

I am horrified at the way you represented the KKK in your last issue. As a long time member I assure you that we are just a group of fun loving guys and not murdering racists as your rag described us.

Many of our members have long been associated with desegregated organizations such as the United States and the Rotary club. We also have heavy dual

membership in that fine organization the American Legion.

If you do not retract your statement we will do nothing. But we assure you the old master will not look kindly at this incident on judgement day.

Sincerely yours  
Fibik Wszola

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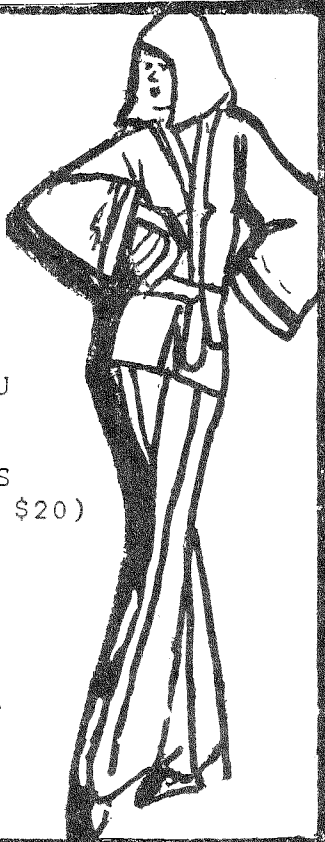
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