



A fireman speaks with student Shannon Yeterian after a chemical spill in the Science and Engineering building. The Environmental Protection Agency was called in for the final clean-up.

S & E building evacuated

Chemical spill at BC

By BRENT S. RAY
Staff Writer

Monday morning, a four liter glass container of Cyclohexanone was knocked from a chemical cart. Cyclohexanone is an organic solvent capable of producing a noxious, toxic and flammable gas.

The cart was being moved through the chemical stockroom in the North wing of the Science and Engineering building. Despite a three inch protective guard built onto the cart, the bottle crashed to the ground.

For fear that the chemical would ignite, that wing of the Science and Engineering building was promptly evacuated.

Ray Ward, head of the Physical Science department explains how the problem developed.

"When the bottle first broke we weren't sure what we had on our hands. It's like water, a little is all right but if you suddenly get a lot of it there can be complications."

"We phoned the Kern County Health Department waste disposal section," stated Ward. "After we told them what had been spilled, they gave us some information on the toxicity level, the flammability and the vapor level of the chemical we were dealing with."

"Cyclohexanone is kept on campus to give students a working example of an organic solvent," Ward also stated.

The fire department was then notified and responded to the college. Once here, they proceeded to cordone off the area and begin ventilation procedures in the building to reduce the danger of fire.

According to Ward the matter was ultimately referred to the Environmental Protection Corporation (a private company) for the final cleanup. "The EPC used a highly absorbent material to collect the spilled liquid," Ward commented. "Also because of the nature of the chemical, all of the

floor tiles will need to be replaced in the stockroom."

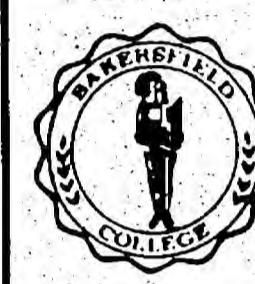
For a brief time there was also the concern that the chemical might have spread to the fallout shelter directly beneath the room. The worries were unwarranted, mentioned Ward.

By the end of the evening the North wing had been reopened and the next morning the stockroom had been properly ventilated and was suitable for human habitation.

Although this is the first spill that Ward could recall in recent history, he feels several safety precautions should be taken in the future. "A great help in avoiding this type of thing would be for the manufacturer to place all potentially dangerous chemicals in some sort of shatter-proof container."

The ironic part of this whole affair Ward commented was that a safety meeting had been planned weeks before this event occurred. "One of our lab technicians and a

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Inside: Kern County citizens and politicians gear up for final day of Campaign '84.

Homecoming begins today with dance

By TIM HART
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Today marks the beginning of Homecoming week. The festivities start tonight with a dance, and end Saturday night with the football game against Taft College at Memorial Stadium.

At 7 p.m. Monday night there will be a dance in the Campus Center. According to ASB President Sandi

Munoz, admission will be free. KOEO oldies and KLYD radio stations will be providing the music.

Superclub competition begins Tuesday. There will be three events Tuesday and three events Wednesday. Tuesday's events will be the tricycle race, the apple bob, and the

water slide. Wednesday's events will be the burger munch, the punch slurp, and the tug of war. Events

will start at noon, 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. each day, respectively.

Voting for the King and Queen candidates is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. The elections will be conducted 9 a.m.—12 noon and 5:45 p.m.—7:15 p.m. on both days in the Campus Center.

Thursday is King and Queen day. The king and queen candidates from the participating clubs will meet in head-to-head competition.

The events will be the egg toss, jello eating, and the royal hairdo. The events will start at the same times as did the superclub events.

Phi Rho Pi and the dorms do not have king and queen candidates. Phi Rho Pi will be out of town, representing BC in Pasadena, at the Lancer Invitational Speech Tournamen

t. The dorms did not turn in their forms in time to enter candidates, according to Munoz. Munoz also said that Audio Caterers will be providing music, 11 a.m.—1 p.m., Friday, in the Campus Center.

During haltime, the king and queen will be announced and crowned. The candidates will ride into the stadium with their clubs floats. Work on the floats begins Wednesday and continues until just before judging Saturday.

Homecoming week comes to a close with the game against Taft.

King, queen candidates named

King and queen candidates Joanie Van Schaak and Rich Osborn are sponsored by Newman Club. Osborn is studying to be an engineer and is a 1983 graduate of Bakersfield High. Van Schaak is a graduate of Garces High, class of 1984, and is pursuing a career in broadcast journalism.

Ruby Wiley and Kunihiko Yamada are the royal candidates from International Students Association. Wiley, who is a 1982 graduate of Penn State Junior High School in Pennsylvania, is a physical therapy major who plans on attending a four year university to complete her degree. Yamada, who resides in Prator Hall and graduated from high school in Japan in 1980, plans on attending UCLA as an economics major.

MECHA is sponsoring Denise Escoto and Martin Perez as can-

candidates for homecoming king and queen. Escoto is secretary of MECHA and a 1983 graduate of Tehachapi High, who plans on attending Fresno State and majoring in agricultural business management. Perez, a East High graduate in 1981, hopes to attend University of San Francisco and major in theology. He is active in Newman Club as well as MECHA.

Candidates for king and queen from BSU are Patricia Davis and Rickey L. Johnson. Davis is a 1983 graduate of South High who is also involved in Drama Club. She is interested in becoming a computer programmer. Johnson is a hotel, restaurant and institution management major who plans to obtain his AA degree from BC. He graduated in 1981 from East High.

Ski Club candidates for king and queen are Lisa Thomas and Nick Bikakis. Thomas, a 1984 graduate

of North High, is planning on going into broadcasting, while Bikakis, a Garces graduate in 1983, plans to transfer to San Diego State and then pursue graduate work in medicine at UCI.A.

This year's candidates from Latter Day Saints Student Association (LDSSA) are Kelly Van Wagoner and Dean Sommerville. Sommerville, who is also president of LDSSA, is a 1980 graduate of North High who plans on transferring to Stanford University with a major in business administration and a French minor. He also plans on completing graduate work at UCLA. Van Wagoner would like to attend Brigham Young University and major in psychology. She is a 1983 graduate of Foothill High.

Agriculture Club has nominated Heidi White and Richard Kaiser as their 1984-85 Homecoming candidates. White, a Levinson Hall

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Club's appeal upheld

By MICHAEL BLACK BULL
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The Board of Representatives voted Tuesday to uphold Phi Rho Pi's appeal of an earlier Student Court decision revoking the club's charter for violation of the Activities Board's mandatory attendance requirements.

Admitting their representative had missed board meetings, Phi Rho Pi's appeal was based on the contention that the Student Court had not followed proper procedure as dictated by BC's constitution.

The constitution requires that the Student Court consist of one chief justice and four associate justices.

Of the three associate justices present, one had not yet been approved by the Board of Representatives as required, and another, a member of Phi Rho Pi, had abstained from voting to avoid conflict of interest.

"Phi Rho Pi's appeal was very

straight forward," said Kathy Rosellini, director of Student Affairs. "They admitted they were in error, we admitted we were in error.

"The situation has been resolved in the best possible way," she added.

Norm Fricker, co-adviser with Paul Crary for Phi Rho Pi, was pleased with the Board's decision.

"I'm elated," he said. "I'm pleased we can continue as a club."

Fricker stated some areas of procedure need clarification.

Sandi Munoz, ASB president, agrees. "The constitution only states how many justices the court is to consist of," she explained. "We need to determine how many justices must be present for voting."

Munoz also explained that in the future, clubs found to be in violation of the Activities Board's attendance rules will not be declared

charter revoked, but charter inactive. This classification will allow clubs to recharter and become active again.

Karla Keesling, chief justice, said the court will be much stricter in the future. "We're going to take the Board of Representative's recommendation and strictly enforce rules for everything," she said.

Even though procedural errors were made, Ruben Mendoza, Student Court adviser, stated he still feels the Student Court's decision was correct. "The club was declared charter inactive with good reason," said Mendoza. "They found a loophole, and they used it."

Mendoza further stated he was glad the appeal came before the Board of Representatives. "There are many legal code points that came into question," he said.

"These will be clarified as a result of this case."

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