

U.S. toughens its stand on SALT talks



Daily Photo by WAYNE CABLE

Mexican artist Raynaldo Olivarez visited East Quad yesterday for the unveiling of his two murals. These politically oriented works are protests against international oppression and were commissioned by the Association for Critical Social Studies.

EAST QUAD POLITICAL PAINTINGS UNVEILED:

Mexican muralist visits 'U'

By ELISA ISAACSON

Raynaldo Olivarez, a Mexican muralist representing a besieged socialist encampment in Mexico City, has brought his political message to East Quad with two of his own works.

Olivarez speaks very little English. Through an interpreter, he explained he uses his paintings as a crusade against international oppression and to publicize political developments in Mexico.

THE 28-YEAR-OLD artist began creating his murals during the sixties, at a time of great protest

and political pressure in Mexico. Olivarez's emotions are reflected in his powerful art, with its dark, intense earth tones and swirling brushstrokes.

The Mexican encampments, or squatters' camps, were formed in the late-sixties by poverty-stricken, homeless families seeking better living conditions. The families, in spite of their destitution, have established communal services such as medical clinics and education centers within the settlements.

The Mexican government, fearing the spread of the encampment leaders' socialist ideas, has staged attacks on the settlements in an attempt to disband

them.

Olivarez said he thinks the murals are a good way of informing students of the oppression in Mexico. Tourists in that country would not be shown the villagers' misery, according to Olivarez, "because this is something the government keeps in its pockets."

Olivarez said he believes his main role as an artist is to bring across messages not presented through traditional means such as newspapers and speeches. Art, according to Olivarez, has "a far deeper impact than words."

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Carter administration stiffened its stand on a new nuclear arms treaty yesterday, warning the Soviets against interference in Africa and ruling out major American concessions in the ongoing negotiations.

The warning came from Zbigniew Brzezinski, the U.S. national security adviser, who said, "unwarranted intrusion" into conflict between Ethiopia and Somalia would complicate efforts to work out a new U.S.-Soviet arms treaty and to get it ratified by the Senate.

HE ALSO TOLD reporters at a White House breakfast the United States had nearly reached its limit in making concessions on intercontinental ballistic missiles, long-range bombers and the low-flying American cruise missile.

Differences over the three weapons systems are considered the major obstacle to completing an agreement that President Carter predicted last October "would be ready within a few weeks."

Since then, the negotiations toward a

new Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty have slowed down. The Kremlin last Friday expressed deep concern over lack of progress and insisted in a sharply worded statement that Washington accept major restrictions on the cruise missile and other U.S. weapons systems.

BRZEZINSKI said the administration had set specific standards on how far it was prepared to compromise with the Russians and that "there is no point in signing an agreement that doesn't meet those standards."

His warning on Africa is the first by an administration official directly linking progress on arms control to Soviet behavior on the Horn of Africa.

"We are not imposing any linkages," Brzezinski said, "but linkages may be imposed by unwarranted exploitation of local conflict for larger international purposes."

At the White House, press secretary Jody Powell said Brzezinski was reflecting administration views and repeating statements Carter has made.

LSA hears Chesler professorship appeal

By MITCH CANTOR

The Literary College Executive Committee will reconsider promoting Associate Sociology Professor Mark Chesler to full professorship today. The Committee denied Chesler's promotion over two weeks ago.

Professor William Gamson, chairman of the Sociology Department, will present an appeal on Chesler's behalf to the committee. The Sociology Department recommended Chesler, who formerly received the Amoco Award for teaching excellence, for promotion over a month ago.

CHESLER would not talk about the issue yesterday and Gamson could not be reached for comment.

LSA Dean Billy Frye said although the Executive Committee won't be forced to look at the issue, "They will be invited to review the case, and there will probably be a vote."

Although the committee gave no official reason for denying Chesler the promotion, several sociology students claim other professors frown upon him because his research has been mostly applied research.

APPLIED RESEARCH is goal-oriented and seeks to improve a certain condition. Pure research is conducted solely to obtain information.

Frye did not explain the committee's decision, but commented on that allegation. "I don't think that (applied research) was a consideration," he said.

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tee doesn't think he should be made a full professor; it simply reflects the group's opinion he is not ready for promotion now.

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Four individuals from the School of Natural Resources presented a letter of concern which supported Chesler to Frye. The same letter was also sent to the other members of the Executive Committee.

About twenty students from the Sociology Department later met with Frye to urge that Chesler be granted his promotion today.

Frye said today's meeting, which starts with Gamson's appeal at noon, may last all afternoon. He also said this will be the final consideration for Chesler's promotion. "(The decision) tomorrow will be a final decision."

DISTRICT LEADERS SPLIT ON PACT:

Coal miners debate contract

By The Associated Press

Miners streamed by the hundreds to meetings throughout the nation's coal country yesterday to hear—and in many cases denounce—the details of a contract that could end their 86-day-old strike.

Individual United Mine Workers (UMW) members criticized the pact at meetings in Ohio, West Virginia, Illinois and Pennsylvania.

Over television and radio, UMW President Arnold Miller and other leaders urged ratification when members vote this weekend.

DISTRICT LEADERS took to podiums in union halls and civic auditoriums to brief local leaders and

rank-and-file members in such states as West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Colorado.

But the contract met resistance in some areas—with regional and local leaders among some of the most vocal opponents.

Some miners, however, said they wanted to return to work.

In District 17 in southern West Virginia—the largest and often most rebellious UMW district with more than 250,000 of the union's 160,000 striking miners—the scene was the Madison, W.Va., Civic Center.

"THE HEALTH and retirement section caused the biggest fuss," said Mandy Cabell Jr., a miner from Camp Creek, W.Va. "Jack Perry (the district

president) started jumping around from section to section after the feelings started running high."

In Washington, however, President Carter said he has "good hope" for ratification, and Labor Secretary Ray Marshall said, "It's looking favorable."

The proposed contract was agreed on by negotiators for the union and the Bituminous Coal Operators Association last Friday.

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Daytona warns heavy partyers

By SHELLEY WOLSON

If you're planning a wild Florida vacation right out of "Bikini Beach" with Frankie Avalon and Annette Funicello, start curbing those hot anticipations.

Daytona Beach police in conjunction with City Hall and Daytona's Chamber of Commerce have sent memos to all major northern state universities, warning of local ordinances which prohibit the heavy partying students normally assume are allowed on the beach.

"WE GET LOTS of Michigan plates down here," drawled Daytona Police Sergeant Jim Jenkins. "By Easter week we get 200,000 kids—there's so many you can stir 'em with a stick."

"During that week we may arrest 1,000 to 1,500 students," he added.

According to Jenkins, the most abused ordinance prohibits carrying or consumption of an open alcoholic beverage on the beach of city streets. "Students come to have some fun, sun and drink a few beers," Jenkins said.

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Robots safe: Would R2-D2 ever hurt you?

By MARTY LEVINE

Throw away your Frankenstein Complex, forget HAL of 2001, the robots are here and there's not a thing to worry about.

What's the state of the art — or robotics, as it is known?

"It's a lot of fun," Dr. Joseph Engelberger insists. Engelberger is president of the country's largest robot manufacturer, Unimation, Inc. The "Unimates" come in two basic models, large and small versions of programmable "arms" with grasping hands.

"WE MODELED the Unimate after the human being, as much as we could," Engelberger said. Still, one could hardly mistake a Unimate passed on the street for one's roommate — if indeed it could walk.

"People don't consider (our) machine threatening," Engelberger said. "They might be frightened if they saw R2D2, but not with this machine."

Robots step in where modern automation cannot cope. Their tasks involve judgment and mid-operation changes in procedures, following programmed instructions. The 2,000 Unimates work mostly on assembly lines, welding, forging and stamping.

"ANYTHING a robot can do, a human can do," Engelberger cautions.



Engelberger

But a robot doesn't care if the piece of metal it handles is red hot or if it works at the same task all day.

The real advantage of robots is they can be programmed for a variety of tasks and work more efficiently than humans, Engelberger said. "The only thing that would make robots obsolete would be a very far advanced technology," he said.

Organized labor is not concerned that robots may replace human workers, he

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Local man fatally stabbed

By R. J. SMITH

An Ann Arbor man was fatally stabbed Tuesday afternoon while walking to his home on the 900 block of South Maple, police reported yesterday. According to the many eyewitnesses present, the crime occurred at about 4:15 p.m.

This was the first murder of the year in Ann Arbor, and it equals the murder rate for the entire of 1977.

POLICE SAY 22-year-old Harvey Churchill was approached by his attacker on the street and knifed repeatedly. Although Churchill's occupation is not known, it has been determined he was not a student.

When the attacker fled the scene, observers helped transport Churchill to a nearby apartment complex. The police were contacted, and they rushed the critically injured Churchill to University Hospital, where emergency treatment was attempted. He died at 11:30 p.m.

Later Tuesday evening, a police investigation led to the apprehension of a local man in connection with the crime.

Twenty-one-year-old Willie Robinson was arrested Tuesday on charges of open murder. He was arraigned yesterday in 15th District Court by Judge Pieter Thomassen and released without bond being set. A trial date of March 15 has been set.

Police have given no motive for the murder. A spokesman said robbery could probably be ruled out but that many statements were being examined.