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Dear Becky, Pat, and Annie

I am sending this to your office because there is some question in my mind as to the correct address of your new home.

Is it 631 A St. or 632 A St? Dad thought it was 631.

It would be good to call on your 631 A St. neighbor soon as a package will arrive there. It's full of space food. Also a card for Annie. She should have a TB test if she hasn't already had one. Nothing to be excited about, except that Marcie Tamperin still registers "positive" when tested and all associated with her past and present are supposed to have the test.

By this time you are all moved and no doubt very exhausted but glad to be cool. Wish I could have been there to at least cook a nice meal for you and put things away.

Well, dad and I will be doing likewise next

June. Imagine unpacking all of our "junk." After seeing the old old house

Art and Janette Thurman bought in Albany (Calif.) I am eager to again be in an old place with charm. Strong homes have pizza, but no character. The Thurman house is all paneled and furnished with second-hand stuff picked up by examining newspaper want ads. Has a nice old wood-burned fireplace. Art is having to repair upstairs and downstairs and enjoys it.

To bad about the highschool musical. I suppose it had to happen in Davis sooner or later. Thought you would be interested, Annie.

We've decided to take the Mexican girl as well as Terri as foster-daughters. The probation officer is coming tomorrow to interview me. Not ^{that} a case whether I pass the acid test, as this will not be an easy task. Anyway, I imagine she has no choice.

So dad is moving all his stuff back into our bedroom once again. Just after he had rearranged everything in your old room, Becky. It now has a double bed and more ~~room etc~~ breathing space etc. Oh well.

This isn't a very inspired message as my head still hurts from running about in the heat this afternoon and pulling weeds in the sun and

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So on, the temp. fluctuates between 99° and 103° these days. Yesterday in Albany I needed a coat by 4:30 P.M. And the fog rolled in through the Golden Gate obliterating the bridge.

Dad was attending a campus pastor's meeting yesterday in Berkeley. There is a movement among the youth councils, campus pastors, and others in our conference to make dad a bishop next July. Not much chance, probably, and in the meantime we shall be moving --- someplace. ~~Someplace~~

Next day.

Dad is taking Chaoun to Sacramento this morning to (of all things) take the air force test. In order to join the army he has to have a permanent visa. Well, we shall see. It may seem strange to you but the army is about the only recourse -- or resource left to Chaoun as he can't seem to cut the mustard academically. Also was fired from his dishwashing job. Well!

Please send the address soon or call us collect from your new house and let us know how you all are.

We were sorry to hear about Pat's glasses. Hope all goes well on the motorcycle.

Much love,
mother

P.S. Enjoyed
your letter, Annie



BEYOND REPAIR

TRAGEDY struck at Davis High School last night when the student-created mural facing the quad was mutilated beyond repair by vandals. The year-old mural, which all agree was symbolic of what freedom and student initiative can provide, left an agonizing feeling on the campus this

morning. Inspecting the remains of the brightly colored abstract are Principal Richard Mansfield and Davis Police Officer Ed Alber. Physical damage estimates were set at \$500-\$700; spiritual estimates were not available.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Vandals demolish high school mural

By WALT ADAMSON

A somber, aching mood prevailed over the Davis Senior High School this morning when it was discovered that the student-created mural facing the quad had been mutilated beyond repair during the night.

Begun in May, 1970, and designed by former DSHS student Debbie Callison, the mural was stood for "symbolic

freedom, student initiative, tolerance and respect for other people's beliefs," according to Principal Richard Mansfield.

"It makes you feel bad that people in the community would do something like this, or that they have nothing of their own of worth so they have to destroy someone else's things," reflected Lee Fields, an art teacher who helped the students

create the "community painting."

Police investigation this morning turned up the fact that a crow bar had been used to rip off chunks of the mural from the bottom end. The sections were left lying on the ground beneath.

Police estimate the damage as \$500-700 including \$150 in masonite and painting materials.

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"The teen center was open until late last night, and when we investigate that we'll have a better idea of who might have done it."

The police were also combing the scattered pieces of the mural for physical evidence including fingerprints.

The mural was an abstract, brightly colored design on a white background that suggested medieval warriors in battle. It was done on masonite with acrylic and enamel paints.

Asked if it could be salvaged in any way, Fields stated:

"It doesn't look like it. It was too tight a design. I'm not even sure if we can make sections into paintings."

Completed at the end of last school year, the mural was built to be "semi-permanent" and some thought it wouldn't last a month, Fields remembers.

He looks on the mural now as something that did add "piz-zazz" to the quad and did inspire the students.

"I love murals, I think they're the greatest art form," sighed Fields.

Mansfield's shock at the desecration was compounded, he said, by the fact that only some \$65 in damage had been done to the school this year. He thought perhaps the deed may have been done by younger kids since all the crowbar work had been done from below.

Fields said, "It makes you feel bad that anybody in the community would do something like this."

But he'll probably try to sponsor another one next year anyway, he indicated.