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Oregon State prepares for Dad's Weekend

► Events will include a comedy show with D.L. Hughley and tailgating

By CERESSA CRAWFORD
BAROMETER FREELANCE WRITER

As Dad's Weekend approaches, Linsey Goyne, director of Dad's Weekend and senior in business, and her committee are rushing to get the finishing touches of the event in order.

"I started working on the program earlier this summer," Goyne said, and she will continue to work hard through this weekend.

Goyne works for this weekend, dedicated to the dads, because she believes they are "the fathers and men who have influenced

our lives in the past and will continue to do so in the future."

Many students use the opportunity to spend time with their dads, whether participating in scheduled activities, or just hanging out.

John Stromme, sophomore in exploratory studies, participated in Dad's Weekend last year. "There was a little bonding with my dad," Stromme said, even though they weren't able to participate in many of the events.

"We'll probably do a lot more this year."

The Memorial Union Programs Council will welcome dads from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with pizza and free drinks on Friday evening.

The night will continue with several different choices of entertainment.

There are two movies being shown, "The Rookie" and "A River Runs Through It," in the Memorial Union.

There is also a comedy show with D.L. Hughley, who stars in the sitcom "The Hughleys" on UPN, that will be held in Gill Coliseum starting at 8 p.m.

"We booked Hughley because 'The Hughleys' was one of the top shows at that time," said Mike Corwin, associate athletic director.

"We've never had a bad comedy night," he said.

Corwin says over half of the seats are still available.

The university has hosted such comedians as Bill Cosby, Wayne Brady, Jeff Foxworthy and Bill Engvall in past years.

Goyne said they are bringing two new events to Dad's Weekend, the 2002 Strong Man Contest on Saturday, hosted by Pikoboy Strength Company, and the Beaver Brunch with Dad held in the MU ballroom Sunday.

"There's a truck pull, and a log toss and some other events that have to do with strength competition," Goyne said.

There is an Ultimate Tailgater that starts at 10 a.m. and lasts through Saturday's football game against University of California for those who didn't get tickets, Goyne said.

Weather permitting, all the events will be held in the MU Quad.

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Mayoral candidates debate in MU lounge

► Berg and Tomlinson address housing, racial profiling, law enforcement and disability access

By TEHRA PEACE
BAROMETER CAMPUS EDITOR

Candidates for Corvallis mayor Charlie Tomlinson and Helen Berg debated in the Memorial Union lounge Wednesday night and answered questions from the audience.

Current mayor Berg is seeking re-election after eight years in office. She is a former OSU assistant professor in statistics and has lived in Corvallis since 1957.

"Mayor Berg is a beaver," she said.

Tomlinson is the current Corvallis city council president and owns Harrison House Bed and Breakfast. He says that in the summer, "it's too quiet in Corvallis and we love having [students] around."

The candidates answered questions about the relationship between students and law enforcement, the housing situation, racial profiling in Corvallis, disability access, the unity between the city and campus and the mayors' involvement with Greek life.

Tomlinson said that he wanted to work on a better relationship between students and the Corvallis Police Department and that the problem is not so much OSU students, but people coming in from out of town causing trouble.

Berg said that the campus popu-



Berg: Seeking to be re-elected for mayor



Tomlinson: City Council President

Hitting The Books



SETH GARDNER | BAROMETER PHOTO EDITOR

With the first round of mid-terms taking place this week and next, many Oregon State University students take advantage of The Valley Library's late night study environment. The Valley Library is open until 1:00 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and until 10:00 p.m. on the weekends.

Tacoma neighborhood ground zero in sniper probe

► FBI searched a home for evidence related to ammo

By PAUL QUEAR
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — FBI agents with chain saws and metal detectors pulled a tree stump from the backyard of a rental home Wednesday as the search for the Washington, D.C.-area sniper stretched across the country.

A U.S. official in Washington said there were two "people of interest" that law enforcement authorities are looking for, and that one of them has a former connection to Fort Lewis, an Army base south of here.

Acting on information from the sniper task force, FBI agents searched the home seeking possible evidence related to ammunition, said a senior law enforcement official in Washington, D.C.

"This is a clue that if it checks out may lead to another clue, but we're at the very earliest stages," said the official, speaking on con-

dition of anonymity.

The developments raised hopes that investigators had a lead in the shooting spree that has left 10 people dead and three others critically wounded since Oct. 2. But the source said no arrests were expected soon.

Lt. Col. Joseph Piek, a Fort Lewis spokesman, said his office was notified Wednesday afternoon that the FBI had asked for help from the Army base, where about 21,000 soldiers are stationed.

Piek said he could not confirm televised reports that a Fort Lewis soldier may previously have rented the Tacoma duplex. He referred further questions to the FBI.

The backyard of the duplex was divided into grids, and agents swept metal detectors back and forth over the ground. Other crews used chain saws to remove the stump and load it into a truck; a source said the stump would be returned to Washington, D.C., for analysis.

Agents wrapped up their search

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JOHN FROSCHAUER | AP PHOTO

An FBI agent carries a bag removed from a house in Tacoma, Wash. Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2002, while a neighbor stands on the her porch talking on the phone. The search for a sniper stalking the suburbs of the nation's capital stretched across the country as FBI agents converged on a rental home in Washington state with metal detectors.

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NEWSREEL

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WORLD

Mexico faces tough battle in saving marine reserve

EL GOLFO DE SANTA CLARA, Mexico (AP) — It's no surprise that catches are good for the shrimp-laden boats plying the upper Gulf of California; they're fishing in a nationally protected marine reserve.

As leaders from Pacific Rim nations gather in the resort of Cabo San Lucas, just up the coast President Vicente Fox has been facing off against angry fishermen in a last-ditch battle to save what Jacques Cousteau once called "the world's aquarium."

Officials announced a possible settlement late Tuesday.

The battle has affected U.S. tourists, including hundreds who were prevented from returning to the United States over the weekend when fishermen blocked a highway that connects Arizona with the sleepy Mexican port of Puerto Penasco, known among tourists as Rocky Point.

The fishermen formed human chains across the highway after Fox sent in the Navy to oust shrimping vessels from the northernmost section of the Gulf of California.

Declared a national park and U.N. biosphere reserve nearly a decade ago, the million-acre reserve cuts a glistening blue swath through one of North America's driest deserts, separating Baja California from mainland Mexico.

It is a key breeding ground for the rest of the Gulf, also known as the Sea of Cortez. While better known as a wintering ground for whales, its most

endangered resident is the vaquita, the world's smallest porpoise and a species on the brink of extinction.

With less than 600 of the four-foot vaquitas remaining, "this is our last chance to save this species," said Mexico's Environment Secretary, Victor Lichtinger.

NATION

Former porn star sentenced to jail for insider trades

NEW YORK (AP) — A former porn star who admitted profiting from insider information she received from a Wall Street executive was sentenced Wednesday to three months in prison.

"I did a lot of wrong things, but I'm an adventurous Aries and a Canadian," Kathryn Gannon, who appeared as Marilyn Star in several adult films, said outside federal court. "I'm going to go to jail with my head up high, and I'm going to be the captain of my cell block."

Gannon, 33, said she hoped the sentence would restore her flagging finances.

"There is going to be a movie made about my life story," she said. "Jail time actually promotes it even better — ching, ching!"

Gannon's co-conspirator, James McDermott Jr., was a \$4 million-a-year executive known for his appearances on television investment programs.

McDermott, the former chief executive of New York-based investment bank Keefe Bruyette & Woods, admitted feeding stock tips to the porn star and was sentenced last year to the five months he had already served in jail.

STATE

Appeals court upholds student sports drug tests

SALEM (AP) — Requiring drug tests of students who want to participate in extracurricular sports doesn't violate search and seizure protections in the state constitution, the Oregon Court of Appeals ruled on Wednesday.

The court upheld the Oakridge School District, which excluded Ginelle Weber from playing volleyball after her parents refused to consent to have her tested for drug and alcohol use.

The testing was required under an Oregon Health & Science University study of student drug testing in which several Oregon schools participated.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1995 in a court case from Oregon that random drug testing of student athletes is legal under the U.S. Constitution.

The American Civil Liberties Union had argued that the Oregon Constitution provides greater protection from searches than the federal Constitution.

UNIVERSITIES

Utah may institute signed honor code system

SALT LAKE CITY (U-WIRE) — National research shows more than 60 percent of all college students admit they have cheated on assignments or tests while in college, and the numbers are increasing.

Schools with honor code systems

have shown a slightly smaller percentage.

University of Utah administrators began looking closely at the issue of academic dishonesty at the U less than three weeks ago.

"We are still in the exploratory stages of looking to see if academic dishonesty is a problem at the U like some other campuses around the country," said Barbara Snyder, vice president for student affairs. "We have just begun to gather together a board of faculty members to discuss this issue, and as the year progresses we will talk to other constituent groups on campus."

The board is currently looking at preliminary issues, such as what constitutes academic dishonesty, what other campuses are doing and whether it is a problem at the U.

"Eventually, if we do find that it has become a problem at the U, we will consider solutions such as implementing the honor code," said John Francis, associate vice president for undergraduate studies.

Implementing an honor code would require each student to sign a document stating he or she will not engage in academic dishonesty while at the U. Snyder says although the U already has a student code of conduct, the honor code will make students more aware.

"The code we have now is usually only read when a student gets in trouble, so we want to make it less punitive and more preventative," Snyder said.

Some students feel although administrators have just begun to look at the issue, the problem is not new to them.

— Chi-Chi Zhang
Daily Utah Chronicle (U. Utah)

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCT. 24

Meetings

Native American Student Association, 12-1:30, Native American Longhouse. Elections, Native American Heritage Month, Native Retreat.

OSU College Democrats, 7pm, MU 212. Come learn about the OSU Democrats. General meeting.

Bah'a'i Unity Club, 4-6pm, MU 206. The OSU Bah'a'i Unity Club meeting is open to all OSU students.

Campus Ambassadors, 7:30-9pm, 1st Baptist @10th and Monroe. Are you a perfectionist? Here's a night that's just right for you! Join Campus Ambassadors for Christian Fellowship, Praise, Teaching and Fun!

Unitarian-Universalist Campus Ministry, 7pm, MU LaRaza Room. How does gratitude touch your life? Come for worship, discussion & community.

Ski and Snowboard Club, 7-8pm, MU 213. Informational Meeting for interested students.

Extreme Campus Ministries, 7:00pm, MU 206 or 208. Come join us for worship, fellowship and the study of God's word.

Events

UCPS, 12-1pm, MU 208. Graduate Students and Stress. Workshop will focus on stressors faced by graduate students. Topics include stress over comprehensive exams, conflicts with faculty, loss of motivation, writer's block, balancing home and work and developing a professional identity.

The Freehold, 7-10pm, MU 211. Belly dancing.

Women's Center, 3-4pm, Women's Center. Verbal and Emotional Abuse—come learn more about verbal and emotional abuse in relationships. Put on by CARV.

Discover Workshops, 8:30-10am, Career Services. Explore majors and careers that match your interests, values and skills.

Rainbow Continuum, 4-5pm, Women's Center. "Being Out in the Workplace," a discussion to help those who wish to be or who are out in the workplace.

The Freehold of Turris Nimborum, 7-10pm, MU 211. Learn period dances & socialize in positive environment.

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Coalition forms on behalf of opportunity grants

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTLAND (AP) — A coalition of higher education advocates said Wednesday they will band together to seek more state funding for the Oregon Opportunity Grants.

Those are financial aid grants given to low-income students at Oregon's community colleges and universities. The state's budget crisis, plus the passage of a measure that shifted some state scholarship money to K-12 education, has meant a reduction in funding for the program.

The Oregon Student Assistance Commission, which administers the grants, says it turned away 13,000 qualified students who applied for the grants last year, and that the number is

expected to rise to 17,000 next year. About 30,000 students did receive the grant money last year.

The grants typically cover about 11 percent of a student's education costs.

"The Oregon Opportunity grant can mean the difference between staying in school and dropping out, between working just one job, or having to work two or three," said Bryan Ruzicka, a student at Portland Community College.

Groups involved in seeking more money for the grants include the Oregon Community College Association, Oregon Independent Colleges Association, Oregon Student Association, and the Oregon University System.

They plan to lobby key legislators on behalf of the program.

But they will have to distinguish themselves among a chorus of other interest groups seeking increased funding from the state in a time when state revenues have been declining.

Jeff Svejcar, Executive Director of the Student Assistance Commission, said the plan is to seek about \$80 million more for the grants in the next six years, including \$35.6 million more in the next biennium, which would nearly double the program's funding, currently at about \$40 million. That much would allow every qualified student to get a grant, Svejcar said.

Oregon recently earned an "F" in affordability in a national higher education "report card" issued by the nonprofit National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, based in San Jose, Calif.

Trial begins over incineration permit for chemical stockpile

► Several groups raise concerns that the process could result in the release of toxic substances

By GILLIAN FLACCUS
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PORTLAND (AP) — The state allowed the U.S. Army to build a chemical weapons incinerator in Oregon even though it contained parts that didn't work and represents a "deadly dangerous" way to dispose of the chemicals, attorneys for a coalition of environmental and watchdog groups said Wednesday.

The statements came during opening arguments of a trial that centers on whether the state Department of Environmental Quality was wrong to issue an incineration permit to the Army at its Umatilla Chemical Depot in northeastern Oregon, near Hermiston.

The depot stores nearly 4,000 tons of the nerve agents sarin and GB, as well as chemical mustard, in 89 concrete bunkers. The Army must destroy the stockpile under an international treaty and has built a massive incinerator to do so.

The plaintiffs — the Sierra Club, the Oregon Wildlife Federation and a grassroots group called GASP — are asking Multnomah County Judge Michael Marcus to revoke the Army's incineration permit.

It is the third legal action over the incineration permit brought by GASP in the past five years. Marcus ruled against the plaintiffs in the first two cases; GASP is appealing both decisions in the state appeals court.

On Wednesday, attorneys for the plaintiffs said the state issued the incineration permit despite evidence that the Army withheld information about serious flaws at an identical facility in Tooele, Utah. They also said that the safety equipment used in Utah — also in use at the Oregon facility — didn't detect traces of toxic nerve gas leaking into the air.

"We advised the Oregon officials that they had to seriously consider that agent was coming out of the stack (at Tooele)," said Richard Condit, an attorney for the plaintiffs. "The systems the Army was relying on to trigger warnings were not adequate for the job."

The state said Wednesday that the DEQ considered the plaintiffs' claims and still found incineration was the safest way to dispose of the chemical weapons.

The destruction of the weapons, which date to the Cold War, would be delayed indefinitely if the state revoked its permit, the state said. That means chemical agents could leak from the rusty weapons or terrorists could target the facility, the state's attorneys said.

"What you have here is not an agency acting at the behest of the Army ... but an agency who has been diligent to protect the health and safety of the people of Oregon," said Steven Bushong, attorney for the state DEQ. "All of those issues were carefully evaluated."

The environmental groups also want the state to consider alternative ways of getting rid of the weapons, including neutralizing the toxic chemicals with warm water. They contend that the state didn't give that option serious consideration even though it is faster, safer and cheaper than incineration.

Attorneys for the Army said Wednesday that such technologies have only been approved for two smaller pilot projects and don't work equally well on all kinds of chemicals.

Incineration, meanwhile, has been approved since 1988 and has already been used on two other weapons stockpiles, they said.

"It's a well-proven, developed technology with a long track record that can be brought to bear," Bushong said. "These incinerators are constructed properly."

The non-jury trial is expected to last three to six weeks.

Debate: Wide variety of topics discussed at forum

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lation wants to be protected, but they also want to drink and make noise.

"Like you, I partied," she said, adding that it mostly consisted of smoking a lot.

She said that police officers wanted to be professional and hold up standards in order to "protect and serve." If any officer was acting inappropriately, she said, the person should call her immediately.

"You call me at 2 o'clock in the morning, you'll get my attention," Berg said.

Berg said that housing is a problem in Corvallis, and that there are more people who want to rent than there is housing available.

"Housing is always as expensive as it can possibly be," she said.

Tomlinson said that he was proud of his involvement in the Rental Housing Code and wants to pass the annexation for the village at Oak Creek. He said that the community needs to stand up for good housing.

Racial profiling was another hot topic at the debate.

Tomlinson said that he wants to establish liaisons in the athletic department and the cultural centers to help communicate about racial profiling.

Berg said that combating racial profiling was "one of [her] greatest priorities." Berg is involved in the Community Alliance for Diversity and the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, and says that victims of racial profiling need to report it immediately. People who have been discriminated against don't want to have to describe the situation to one more person, she said. "They want it to stop. They want it to stop now," she said.

Both Berg and Tomlinson took wheelchair tours of the campus recently.

Tomlinson said that he saw a different view of campus. "You'll see a part of the world you don't see on two feet."

He said that he wants to improve access on and off campus.

"We want to work with OSU, but at the bottom of this issue is money," he said.

Tomlinson also wants to unify the city and campus with retail and dining businesses downtown that will attract students.

Berg stressed that the city and campus were already intertwined. "Corvallis and OSU are joined at the hip, and always have been."

Berg said that a lot of community members are shy about getting onto campus to attend events and asked students to "please go out of your way to smile and give them directions."

Todd Trekell, president of the interfraternity council, asked the candidates how they planned to be involved with the Greek community.

Tomlinson said that he lives among Greek houses and loves it. Berg said that she was involved to the extent of accepting dinner invitations.

Tomlinson asked that students "get engaged in what we're doing on campus to make this a more friendly community."

"We need to have people come out of OSU and make a difference," he said.

Berg said that she hopes students feel that they have a good place to learn and that they may even stay in Corvallis once they've graduated. But while they're in school, she says, Corvallis is their home.

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Sniper: FBI hopes search will provide additional clues

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and a rental truck containing the stump and other evidence left the scene Wednesday evening.

The property was searched under warrant with the consent of the property owner, a law enforcement source said. The owner was not immediately identified.

"This is a pending investigation, as you can all tell," Melissa Mallon, a spokeswoman in the FBI's Seattle office, told reporters at the scene. "We are conducting a search. We are not going to go into any detail."

She said there was no immediate danger to the neighborhood, but refused to say more.

The house is located near the Tacoma Mall.

Matt Cousineau, an iron worker who lives next door to the duplex, said FBI agents methodically searched the backyard, pulling up nails and small metal objects. Investigators also searched the contents of a 55-gallon burn barrel.

"They cut the burn barrel in half. They went through that for a good hour," Cousineau said.

Dean Resop, who lives a block away, said he was there when agents arrived Wednesday morning.

"They just moseyed up and started looking around like they owned the place," he said.

"There's been quite a few tenants been in and out of there," said Resop, who has lived in the area seven years. "Makes you want to watch your neighbors closer."

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EDITORIAL

McCain chooses SNL over vote

Last Wednesday Arizona Senator John McCain missed a vote for a \$355 billion defense spending bill.

From time to time, Senators have been known to miss votes and it usually is not cause for concern.

However, McCain missed the vote because he was preparing for his guest-hosting duties on *Saturday Night Live*.

Senator McCain has served his country well and has earned the right to participate in such activities as guest hosting SNL, conducting his nationwide book tour and making other TV appearances.

It is one thing to do programs such as *Meet the Press*, but missing a vote for a SNL appearance is at best tacky.

Also, McCain was critical of the spending bill and him not bothering to vote against the bill makes it seem like he is not serious.

Additionally, it was recently reported in the Arizona Republic that McCain has missed the most votes of any Senator over the past five years other than North Carolina's Jesse Helms.

It is sad, though, that elected representatives would miss work for personal TV appearances.

McCain's spokeswoman, Rebecca Hanks, stated that she was unaware McCain had missed the vote, but characterized his schedule as "incredibly insane."

Many people across the country also have "incredibly insane" schedules and still manage to make time for all of their duties, be they work issues or personal ones.

The bill itself passed 93-1, bringing up the question; where were the other five senators who also missed the vote?

One would hope that they were taking care of urgent personal business, anything less and they are disrespecting the people who elected them.

While we would like all senators to vote on all bills, we realize that just like any other profession, senators may have reasons to miss work and a small level of absenteeism is acceptable.

With that said, a total of six senators missing a vote which contains one of the largest defense spending hikes in decades is fully unacceptable.

Members of Congress are elected by the people and are in office to serve the people.

It is certainly not too much to ask that they show up to make their vote.

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Cara Miller



Political parties not so fun

Politics is a game. At least it certainly seems that way now. I was rather disturbed last week when I saw that the College Republicans, a group that I normally support, flooding the room where Kulongoski was speaking with Manix signs. It seems in rather poor taste.

It is simply a contest to many people. I hear politicians complaining all the time how the other party in a vote refused to be non-partisan, when they themselves are guilty of the same thing. The party system has, in many cases, ceased to do what it was originally intended to do: represent opposite sides of a situation and come to a resolution that both sides could be somewhat happy with. There is supposed to be some give and take. Now it is simply concerned with "party politics."

The day that I heard a Democrat accuse the Republican party of being responsible for September 11th was the day that I renounced politics. And no, this is not a joke. I was watching something on CNN when I heard a Democratic senator say that if the Republicans had allowed a certain bill on airlines to pass, that September 11th would probably never have happened.

Now don't get me wrong. Although I say that I renounced politics, I still strongly believe in voting. However, I feel no loyalties to any party.

Democrats are not the only ones guilty of this sort of thing. It goes both ways. September 11th was no one's fault other than that of the terrorists who planned and carried out the deed, and for either party to accuse the other is, in my mind, unforgivable.

Unfortunately I see the same type of things happening on our campus. To try and get the two groups, and even other political parties, together to discuss issues without it turning into a 'my party versus yours' debate is rather difficult.

Politics has also become a contest not of issues but of parties in the campaigning styles. All sorts of concerts and celebrity appearances are intended to put a good light on the politician that is funding the events.

Two years ago the band Everclear came to campus to "promote the vote," as all of the advertisements stated. However, when one attended the concert, it was found to be a Democratic campaign — so much so that Art Alexakis, the band's lead singer, refused to begin until Bush supporters put down their signs.

It felt as if the students were being insulted. The way these politicians seemed to think that the way to get

On public schools and modern culture

I've been under the tutelage of three separate school districts. In each I was given the message that America was the land of the free — where you could grow up to be whatever you wanted to be.

School was supposed to be a place you learned to live in America. You learned the history, the accomplishments. We learned the three R's — Reading, wRiting, and aRithmetic (The creative spelling in that statement has always struck me as ironic).

After Oregon implemented state-standardized tests, I learned how to take multiple guess questions and how to evaluate the paper of a peer on a scale 1 through 6. I learned a lot of things that never really struck me as useful skills in the "real world."

None of it really made sense until I read "Dumbing Us Down: The Hidden Curriculum of Compulsory Schooling" by John Taylor-Gatto which really opened my eyes to what the "real world" really is.

From his first chapter, "The Seven Lesson School Teacher:"

"Call me Mr. Gatto, please. Twenty-six years ago, having nothing better to do with myself at the time, I tried my hand at schoolteaching. The license I have certifies that I am an instructor of English language and English literature, but that isn't what I do at all. I don't teach English, I teach school — and I win awards doing it. (Mr. Gatto has received New York City's Teacher of the Year award twice).

"Teaching means different things in different places, but seven lessons are universally taught from Harlem to Hollywood Hills. They constitute a national curriculum you pay for in more ways than you can imagine, so you might as well know what it is.



Lars Maxfield

You are at liberty, of course, to regard these lessons any way you like, but believe me when I say I intend no irony in this presentation.

"These are the things I teach, these are the things you pay me to teach. Make of them what you will." His seven lessons are Confusion, Class Position, Indifference, Emotional Dependency, Intellectual Dependency, Provisional Self Esteem, and You Can't Hide.

I'm going to risk reaping his wrath by paraphrasing what all these mean:

Confusion: School schedules and curriculum are crazy disconnected patchworks of information thrown at children with complete straight faces.

"In a world where home is only a ghost because both parents work, or because of too many moves, or too many job changes, or too much ambition, or because something else has left everybody too confused to maintain a family relation, I teach you how to accept confusion as your destiny."

Class Position: "I teach that students must stay in the class where they belong. I don't know who decides my kids belong there, but that's not my business. I've shown them how to envy and fear the better classes and how to have contempt for the dumb classes. Under this efficient discipline the class mostly polices itself into good marching order. That's the real lesson of any rigged competition like school. You come to

know your place."

Indifference: Children are taught not to care because no matter how important or exciting a lesson may be, it will never be as important as the bell. "The lesson of bells is that no work is worth finishing, so why care too deeply about anything? Years of bells will condition all but the strongest to a world that can no longer offer important work to do. Bells are the secret logic of school time; they destroy past and future, rendering every interval the same as any other"

Emotional Dependency: "By stars and red checks, smiles and frowns, prizes, honors and disgraces, I teach kids to surrender their will to the predestinated chain of command. Rights may be granted or withheld without appeal because rights do not exist inside a school — not even the right of free speech as the Supreme Court has ruled. Individuality is a contradiction of class theory, a curse to all systems of classification."

Intellectual Dependency (This is the most important, and hence the longest): "Good students wait for a teacher to tell them what to do. Successful children do the thinking I assign them with a minimum of resistance and a decent show of enthusiasm. Bad children fight this, of course, they struggle to make decisions for themselves about what they will learn and when they will learn it."

"Fortunately there are tested procedures to break the will of those who resist; this is naturally more difficult if the kids have respectable parents who come to their aid, but that happens less and less in spite of the bad reputation of schools. No

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Word of God

Inaccurately portrayed

How terrible that people in the quad last week preached so venomous a message. The word of God (alluded to in the front page picture's caption, *The Barometer*, Oct. 21) is not a message of punishment. The message is that we can finally be reconciled to a God who loves us.

MARK ABEL,
Sophomore in chemistry

Measure 02-19

Don't put off repairs

Please vote yes on Measure #02-19, the School Building Bond Levy. The passage of this measure will make our schools safer. A "yes" vote will insure that three high-risk buildings will be replaced by two. All other schools will receive much-needed repairs such as roof-replacement and the installation of safe drinking water sources.

We all know that if we have home repairs, when we ignore the problems, they only get worse. These district repairs are needed now. If we continue to put them off, the costs will rise each year.

Please vote "yes" on Nov. 5 because our kids deserve safe schools.

CONNIE M. ASH,
Teacher, Corvallis School District

Measure 02-19

Necessary improvements

On Nov. 5 Corvallis has a major opportunity to support its schools. Measure 02-19 raises \$86 million for improving school facilities, which breaks down to roughly 50 percent for a replacement high school, 30 percent for a replacement middle school, and 20 percent for improvements at other schools.

This plan represents many hard decisions.

Corvallis schools are almost 50 years old on average, and we find that the health and safety of our children are at risk. We must consider carefully whether to upgrade our current facilities or to build new ones.

The school district and the community have worked hard to examine alternatives and develop a cost-effective long-range plan. For details about the plan, please visit www.corvalliscount.org, or call (541) 757-3366.

I am proud of Corvallis' commitment to high-quality education for all children, and I am grateful to the community members who have worked hard to create a realistic, effective plan. Please join me in voting YES on 02-19.

MAX JONES,
Corvallis resident

Senator Gordon Smith

Supports gay rights

I am writing in response to Emily Wheeland's column Monday Oct. 21, (*The Barometer* "Smith not the answer to Oregon's problems").

Obviously she has been mistaken on Senator Smith's support of gay rights. Senator Smith co-authored the Local Law Enforcement Act of 2001 with Senator Kennedy of Massachusetts. This bill, S. 625 enables hate crimes to be prosecuted on a federal level.

For the past year, Senator Smith has entered into the Congressional Record a tragic catalog of hate crimes committed throughout our country in preparation for this bill. Senator Smith has never denied his disagreement with the lifestyle of homosexuals, but that certainly doesn't mean he is against them as people.

In his own words from a speech made to Congress Senator Smith says, "Hatred doesn't care if you are a Republican or a Democrat. As Americans, we all ought to be willing to stand up and say at every level of government, local, State and Federal — let us show up for work and prosecute

these most heinous kinds of crimes and murders."

Smith went across party lines and against his religious colleagues in not only voting for this bill, but also co-authoring it. Next time you want to attack someone, maybe you should check all the facts.

ANN JACKSON,
Junior in communication

Corvallis Mayor

Vote Charlie Tomlinson

In the four years I have known Charlie Tomlinson, he has become a friend, a mentor and a proven leader in our community. Charlie's endless dedication towards improving the livability of Corvallis makes him my only choice as the next mayor of Corvallis.

I have had the honor over the past few years of working with Charlie as he has reached out to the residents of Corvallis. He listens intently to our issues and concerns and collaborates with leaders across the city to put words into action.

Charlie's unfaltering support of the children and families in our community, balanced with his desire for economic health and diversity make him an excellent advocate for a wonderful city. He has continuously proven he can get things done while making sure that everyone is invested.

Charlie has tirelessly led with integrity and a sense of vision for Corvallis that we should all be eager to be a part of. As Corvallis faces difficult times, we need a leader in City Hall who will build bridges and create a dialogue about who we are as a community.

We need a leader who not only celebrates the Corvallis of yesterday but one who will help bring us to the Corvallis of tomorrow.

Please join me in voting for Charlie Tomlinson as the next mayor of Corvallis.

JUSTIN ROACH,
Corvallis resident

Miller

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college students to vote for them was to show that a popular band was in support of them. Almost no issues were even mentioned at the event, other than things like, "Women, why would you want some idiot taking away your rights to your own body." Pretty convincing argument for those of us who don't believe in abortion in the first place!

And back to the cardboard signs — what do they accomplish? Is it simply a sign to show your support, or is it some strange way to win more votes? I can only think that the people who disrupted Kulongoski's visit embarrassed a lot of Republican supporters.

It was said often in the last presidential election that "a vote for Nader is a vote for Bush." Don't be fooled. If Nader had received a few more votes — enough to make up five percent of the voting population — he would have achieved funding for his party in the next election. No vote, whoever it is for, is inadvertently for the candidate you don't want. A lot of good could have been accomplished if more people had realized this and voted for Nader as they truly wanted to — whether they were Bush or Gore supporters.

When it comes time for you to vote this election, if you haven't already, consider carefully the issues — not the political parties. Read the voters manual (hey, it can't be any worse than some of those textbooks you have to read) and make an informed decision. Ballots are due on Tuesday, Nov. 5. And be sure to vote what you believe.

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Maxfield: Seven lessons created for the purpose of re-creating society and re-shaping culture

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middle-class parents I have ever met actually believe that their kid's school is one of the bad ones. Not one single parent in twenty-six years of teaching. That's amazing and probably the best testimony of what happens to families when mother and father have been well-schooled themselves, learning the seven lessons."

Provisional Self-Esteem: "The lesson of report cards, grades, and tests is that children should not trust themselves or their parents but should instead rely on the evaluation of certified officials. People need to be told what they are worth."

You Can't Hide: "Children must be closely watched if you want to keep a society under tight central control. Children will follow a private drummer if you can't get them into a uniformed marching band."

Our college system is considered by most of the world to include some of the finest education centers of the world. Yet the world also agrees our primary school systems are atrocities. Why is that?

It comes down to why and when these different systems were created. Universities were started very early in our national history to produce educated citizens who were well read and could apply logic and reasoning to any situation.

Primary schools were created during the height of the industrial revolution to create good factory workers who would come to work on time, who wouldn't leave early, and who wouldn't question authority.

They were created to re-create society. One hundred years later it's easy to see they have succeeded.

That these lessons have been taught for over 50 years is easy to see and confirm.

Confusion: In my U.S. History class I learned more about the Civil War than I learned about World War I and II, Vietnam, Korea and the Gulf War combined. How does that make sense? It doesn't, but that's just the way things are. What does make sense in this world?

Class Position: When I was in preschool I was told this was the land of the free, and that we didn't have kings or dukes, or nobles. I have

since learned that though we don't have titles we definitely have classes. Upper, middle, lower, rich and poor. We've had classes since the beginning of our nation but the divisions between them are getting larger and larger every day.

Why am I an engineer? Because my parents were, because my family thought that math and science were important. Thus I am being trained and groomed for the same class that they are.

Indifference: I don't remember the last time something was so important to me that it hurt when I didn't get it. I don't attach myself much to anything, because I've been so well trained to let go of it when I don't get it.

Emotional Dependency: I'm sure we've all been in a college class and laughed at the boy (it's usually a boy) that asks "can I go to the bathroom?" Of course in college you expected to be grown up and responsible.

But just four months ago that could have been a serious offense in high school. Wandering the halls was seen as escaping from something, and that was not allowed. Our

natural reaction is going to be looking to the person in authority for permission, judgement and acceptance.

Intellectual Dependency: When something breaks my first thought is take it to someone to fix it. But most of the things I own either A) can't be fixed, or B) are easy to fix. Why then would I want to pay someone to tell me things I already know?

We've been socialized for a commercial market place where everything is a commodity to be purchased, including knowledge.

Provisional Self-Esteem: How many people answer the question "How are you?" with a run down of their grades or homework status? How many people measure their well-being by a ruler stick from the outside? I certainly do it all the time.

You Can't Hide: How would our civilization be different if we had to constantly react to people who believed different things and reacted differently to everyday situations? I believe it would be chaos.

Our schools have created the country we have today. Unionization is lower and lower; spending is high-

er and higher, the class gap is growing and the WTO is forcing more and more countries to open their markets. We are spending more money on prisons than any other social service and we use those prisoners as cheap labor.

We have watered down the rights given to us in the Constitution by self-policing and self-censoring instead of doing it illegally.

So on game day this weekend, when you're wearing your college clothes produced by name brand companies that were produced overseas, and as you drive your vehicle fueled by petroleum taken from another continent, please recognize that none of it would be possible without these seven lessons.

Realize our nation is the most powerful industrialized super power in the world today because of the foresight and vision of our early industrial moguls and ask yourself "Does this make me happy?"

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Bush signs defense spending bill

► President Bush lauds new tools for the war against terrorism

BY JENNIFER LOVEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed into law Wednesday the biggest military spending increase since Ronald Reagan's administration — a \$355.5 billion package giving the wartime Pentagon "every resource, every weapon and every tool they need."

Overwhelmingly approved by Congress, the measure contains a 4.1 percent salary increase for military personnel, \$7.4 billion to keep developing a ballistic missile defense system and \$72 billion for new weapons.

With the president contemplating war against Iraq, and U.S. troops involved in an anti-terror campaign across the globe, the law increases Pentagon spending in almost every area for the budget year that began Oct. 1 by a total of more than \$34 billion, or 11 percent, over the previous year. It was the biggest increase in 20 years.

"Since September 11, Americans have been reminded that the safety of many depends on the courage and skill of a few," Bush told a Rose Garden audience filled with uniformed military personnel

and lawmakers from both parties. "The bill today says America is determined and resolute to not only defend our freedom but to defend freedom around the world, that we're determined and resolute to answer the call to history and that we will defeat terror."

He also signed a \$10.5 billion bill financing the building and upgrading of military installations in fiscal 2003.

While Congress gave Bush most of what he requested, lawmakers rejected his plea for a \$10 billion fund he could tap without congressional input for combating terrorists overseas.

In a statement later in the day, Bush said he was disappointed by that decision and another to approve \$2.7 billion less than he wanted for operations and maintenance programs. "Without these funds, we may be forced to reduce other important programs to finance the war on terrorism," Bush said.

There was a tinge of politics in the bill signing less than two weeks before elections that will decide which party controls Congress.

Bush took a veiled dig at the Democratic-controlled Senate for the failure to approve his request for a new Homeland Security Department. The president noted that all the armed forces were collected under a single federal roof when President Truman began revamping

national security agencies after World War II.

"He reorganized our nation's defense structure to meet the security threats of a new era," Bush said. "Today, we are once again in a new era. ... We can't wait any longer. The threats to America are simply too great."

David Sirota, spokesman for Democrats on the House Appropriations Committee, responded that "the defense bill represents a bipartisan effort to prosecute the war on terror. It's only too bad the president has not displayed the same resolve in addressing the economy that he is running into the ground."

Bush ticked off the many tasks being placed at the military's feet: "bring justice to agents of terror ... liberate a captive people on the other side of the Earth ... prepare for conflict in Iraq if necessary ... serve in many places far from home and at great risk."

"We owe them every resource, every weapon and every tool they need to fulfill their missions," he said.

Bush also brought up a controversial item for which funding was deleted. Lawmakers reluctantly succumbed to his desire to scuttle the Army's Crusader artillery program.

"To have the willingness to say, 'This program works and this one doesn't,' is important," Bush said.

Daschle calls on Bush to move House Republicans on terrorism insurance

By JESSE J. HOLLAND
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WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate's top Democrat urged President Bush on Wednesday to push House Republicans to accept a \$100 billion terrorism insurance package that would help the insurance industry cover the cost of claims from future terrorist attacks.

"At this point I believe that only your personal intervention will persuade the House Republican leaders to drop their delaying tactics," Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said in a letter to the White House.

The House and the Senate left town to campaign before reaching agreement on a terrorism insurance package, despite supporters saying it

would stimulate the economy. They maintain that \$15 billion in construction and real estate business and 300,000 jobs are on hold because Congress has not passed a bill.

The legislation would protect the insurance industry from calamitous losses in the event of another terrorist attack, requiring the government to cover some of the losses.

Bush has been blaming the Democrat-controlled Senate for months for Congress not passing the legislation.

But on the Senate's last day, negotiators for the Senate, House and White House agreed to a three-year, \$100 billion package that would have the government cover 90 percent of all terror losses after insurance companies pay an

initial amount of \$10 billion.

However, key House Republicans have refused to sign onto the compromise, partly because Democratic senators succeeded in getting negotiators to take out a provision that would shield companies from punitive damages in civil lawsuits, one of the most contentious parts of the bill.

The GOP-controlled House approved legislation last November that limits lawsuits and bans punitive damages. The original Senate legislation, which passed in June, did not have that provision.

Republicans in Congress have accused Democrats of trying to protect trial lawyers, while Democrats have charged that Republicans were looking out for businesses that are major GOP donors.

Without those Republican leaders' support, House officials said they would not even consider the legislation until after the midterm elections. The Senate, however, could pass the bill as early as Thursday if no Republicans or Democrats object to the compromise.

"Our bipartisan negotiators support it, your administration supports it and the affected industries support it," Daschle said. "It is therefore difficult to understand why leaders of your party in the House of Representatives are defying your calls for action by blocking the bill's final passage."

A White House spokeswoman said they were checking to see if they had received the letter.

Judge tossed out TV privileges for wrong reasons

By LARRY NEUMEISTER
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEWYORK (AP) — A man sentenced to home detention without television won his legal fight for TV privileges Wednesday, but he may have to watch from prison.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals threw out Edward Bello's 10-month sentence because the judge who imposed it said he was trying to force "deprivation and self-reflection" on the convicted credit-card thief.

Although limiting luxuries in home detention sentences is acceptable, doing

so to promote self-reflection and remorse exceeds the district court's discretion, the appeals court found.

The court ordered Bello to be resentenced, meaning he could get prison time for his crime: conspiracy to steal credit cards and make unauthorized purchases.

U.S. District Court Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein had ordered Bello, 60, to serve the TV-less sentence in December.

Bello, a vending machine repairman with seven televisions in his home, said at sentencing that he was willing to go without television for 10 months. But he appealed less than a week later, saying the

sentence was not reasonably related to the crime.

The appeals court agreed with Bello's lawyer, who said his client could avoid the introspection Hellerstein had sought in any of several ways, including listening to the radio or going on the Internet.

Referring to Bello's 30-year history of petty crimes, the appeals court wrote, "For all the record shows or the district court has found, Bello is as likely to occupy his mind by planning his next crime as anything else."

A lawyer for Bello did not immediately return a telephone message.

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Former President George Bush and Chinese President Jiang Zemin share a laugh during a dinner in Houston, Wednesday, Oct. 23. Jiang's visit to Houston is part of a four-day U.S. trip that will culminate in a Friday meeting with President Bush at his ranch in Crawford.

North Korea's nuclear program to dominate U.S.-China summit

By GEORGE GEDDA
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Bush and Chinese President Jiang Zemin will be searching for common ground when they meet Friday to discuss their shared concerns over North Korea's determination to acquire nuclear weapons.

Since the disclosure of North Korea's intentions, the United States has confidently asserted that China is unalterably opposed to a nuclear-armed North Korea.

When the two leaders meet Friday at the president's ranch in Texas, Bush will be eager to learn just what measures China has in mind to induce North Korea to answer Beijing's concerns.

China is North Korea's major trading partner, supplying food and oil, but it is not clear whether Beijing will want to use its economic leverage to pressure Pyongyang.

State Department spokesman Philip Reeker reaffirmed Wednesday the U.S. view that North Korea "must immediately and visibly dismantle its nuclear program. We seek to resolve our concerns through a peaceful and diplomatic solution."

The Bush administration has acted cautiously

ly on North Korea since Pyongyang informed Assistant Secretary of State James Kelly of its nuclear weapons plans during talks Oct. 4.

The North Korean program violated a 1994 agreement with the United States, in which it had renounced nuclear weapons.

Even though the North nullified the agreement, the United States has not revoked two provisions relating to Pyongyang's energy needs.

The United States has been providing North Korea with 500,000 tons of heavy fuel oil per year since 1994 and allowed the latest shipment to be delivered to a North Korea port last Friday, well after Pyongyang had nullified the agreement.

The United States also has allowed work to continue on two light water reactors that are designed to replace plutonium-producing models the North had been using.

U.S. officials explained the cautious approach by saying that time is needed to consult with friends and allies, including China.

Undersecretary of State John Bolton is winding up visits to China, Britain, France and Russia, all permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and nuclear powers in their own right.

Congressman Smith under fire

By D. IAN HOPPER
AP TECHNOLOGY WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — A congressman from Microsoft Corp.'s home state was criticized Wednesday by the chairman of a House technology committee for an attack on the free software movement.

A bipartisan group of lawmakers had written a letter urging White House computer security adviser Richard Clarke to find sales opportunities for government-funded software projects. The letter had no mention of the issue of free software, also known as open-source or General Public License (GPL) software.

But when Rep. Adam

Smith, D-Wash., whose biggest political contributor is Microsoft, began circulating the letter to his fellow Democrats asking for their signatures, he added his own correspondence saying the free software philosophy is "problematic and threaten(s) to undermine innovation and security."

The open-source movement advocates that software, such as the Linux operating system, should be distributed free and open to modification by others rather than treated as copyright-protected, for-profit property.

Smith's attack on open-source drew an angry response from one of the original authors of the letter,

Rep. Tom Davis, R-Va., chairman of the Government Reform Subcommittee on Technology and Procurement Policy.

"We had no knowledge about that letter that twisted this position into a debate over the open source GPL issues," said Melissa Wojciak, staff director of the subcommittee. Wojciak added that Davis supports government funding of open-source projects.

Smith spokeswoman Katharine Lister said he has "definitely spoken with (Microsoft) about this issue," but that there wasn't a direct relationship between those discussions and his decision to write his letter to fellow Democrats.

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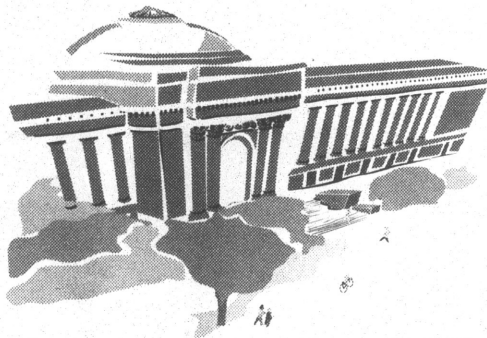
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By JIM HEINTZ
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MOSCOW (AP) — About 50 armed Chechen rebels stormed a crowded theater during a musical show Wednesday night and took hundreds of theatergoers hostage in an audacious and well-planned attack. Police and security forces surrounded the building amid sporadic gunfire.

Moscow police spokesman Valery Gribakin said about 100 women and children had been let out of the theater, and news reports quoted some of them as saying there were pools of blood in the theater halls.

Those released did not see any dead bodies, but said the hostage-takers had beaten some in the audience. Two pregnant women were later released.

"The terrorists are demanding one thing — the end to the war in Chechnya," Gribakin said.

Russian news reports said the rebels offered to release 50 more hostages if Akhmad Kadyrov, the head of Chechnya's Moscow-appointed administration, came to the theater.

Earlier reports said the armed men and women were laying land mines inside the theater and had explosives strapped to their bodies which they threatened to blow up if Russian security forces stormed the building.

Gribakin, the police spokesman, said there were about 600 people inside the theater when it was seized.

A woman who made her way out of the theater told a television interviewer the men wore camouflage as they took the stage, fired into the

air and said: "Don't you understand what's going on? We are Chechens."

News reports said the hostage-takers arrived in jeep-like vehicles just as the second act of the play was about to begin. When police and security forces surrounded the theater, the attackers opened fired and threw a grenade. One of the hostages, a doctor, was treating a hostage-taker who was wounded.

Russia is involved in a bloody war in Chechnya, seeking to put down a decade-old separatist insurrection in the oil-rich region. News reports cited a Chechen rebel Web site as saying the group was led by Movsar Barayev, the nephew of warlord Arbi Barayev, who was reportedly killed last year. The Web site said some of the women hostage takers were widows of Chechen rebels killed in the war with Russia.

"By the scope it can only be compared to the tragedy in New York. The situation is extreme now," liberal Russian lawmaker Boris Nemtsov said in a television interview. "We must start a dialogue."

Senior Russian officials had no immediate comment on the hostage taking which, in an unprecedented move, was being broadcast live from outside the theater on radio and television.

The news reports said Aslanbek Aslakhonov, a member of the national parliament from Chechnya, was inside the theater and negotiating, as was Ruslan Khasbulatov, the former speaker of the Russian parliament who is an ethnic Chechen. Khasbulatov was a leader of the deadly uprising at the Russian parliament in 1993.

The Chechens are among the fiercest national groups in the country and battled the Rus-



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An unidentified couple stands near a police cordon around a theater, which was seized by armed men, in Moscow, early Thursday, Oct. 24, as a special forces officer looks on in the background. Armed men entered a crowded Moscow theater Wednesday and took the audience hostage, the Federal Security Service said.

ian Czars in the 19th century before being finally defeated.

They were deported en masse by Stalin to Kazakhstan in 1944 for allegedly betraying the Soviet Union and supporting Hitler. They were

allowed to return to their homes in 1957. The Chechens declared independence from the Soviet Union shortly before it collapsed in 1991, but Russian forces subsequently invaded the region trying to put down the rebellion.

U.S. steps up pressure for U.N. resolution

► White House schedules full Security Council consultations

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UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Facing opposition from France and Russia, the United States stepped up pressure on the U.N. Security Council Wednesday by scheduling the first round of full council consultations on a tough new draft resolution on Iraq.

While the five permanent council members — the United States, Britain, France, Russia and China — met again to discuss the new draft, the White House said it wanted to complete negotiations quickly.

Talks about a resolution have reached their "final moments" and are down to the nitty gritty of precise wording, White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said.

"The end is coming into sight. It is not there yet, but it is coming into sight. The end is either an agreement or a failure to reach agreement. It could be either one right now," he said.

Philip Reeker, a State Department spokesman, said the process could be "moving into a final stage," adding "This is an opportunity for the U.N. to show its relevance."

U.S. Ambassador John Negroponte said full consultations with the 15 Security Council members had been sched-

uled for late Wednesday. U.S. diplomats, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said they would then circulate a working draft to council members.

"Whether we'll formally table a resolution or discuss its content, we haven't finally decided that — but yes, there will be consultations with the 15 this afternoon," Negroponte said.

The White House push for speedy action was delivered less than 24 hours after Negroponte said the negotiating process needed "a little bit of time" and State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said he expected negotiations to be "complicated" and "messy."

Coming out of a two-hour meeting Wednesday with the other four permanent council members, Negroponte again said that with "an issue as complex and as complicated as this one, it's not unusual for discussions to take a while."

He also indicated the United States still hadn't won support from Russia and France. China has been supporting their stand.

"This is a work in progress, it's an ongoing discussion. It's going to keep on going, I think with a commitment to try and reach ... a consensus between the five if it's possible to do that. And yes, I would anticipate these talks would continue. They're not near conclusion at this point," Negroponte said.

The United States has been discussing a new resolution with the five veto-holding council members since early October. Wednesday will be the first time the draft is given to the 10 elected council members, who vote on resolutions, but don't have veto power.

For a resolution to pass, it needs nine "yes" votes in the council and no veto by a permanent member.

The United States and Britain have been at odds with France, Russia and China over how tough a new resolution should be.

Washington is pushing a single resolution that would allow force to be used against Iraq if it doesn't meet its U.N. disarmament obligations.

But Paris, Moscow and Beijing still want a two-stage approach giving Iraq another chance to comply with U.N. weapons inspectors and only authorizing force in a second resolution.

On Wednesday, Russian Foreign Ministry official Mikhail Bogdanov was quoted by the ITAR-Tass news agency as saying that the U.S. draft "practically left out the elements of automatic use of force. But there are other provisions which, in our view, are very hard for Iraqis to accept, the more so because they contradict earlier U.N. Security Council resolutions."

In Amman, Jordan, Iraq's Culture Minister Hamed Yousef Hamadi called the U.S. draft a "declaration of war."

Hardline Islamic bloc seeks to allay fears of Western diplomats

By ALEXANDER G. HIGGINS
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ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The hardline Islamic alliance that won election gains with a vow to oust American troops from Pakistan sought Wednesday to convince Western diplomats — including U.S. officials — that they have nothing to fear if the bloc joins a coalition government.

"We have got very good and friendly relations with all of you," Qazi Hussain Ahmed, a leader of the United Action Forum, told diplomats at a reception hosted by the alliance. "We want very fraternal relations with all the people of the world."

The leaders played down their promise of an Islamic revolution in Pakistan, saying they meant to enforce Islamic laws but under the existing constitution.

The diplomats, who asked questions on topics ranging

from the rights of women to the meaning of jihad, or "holy war," declined to comment afterward.

U.S. Ambassador Nancy Powell sent a delegation but was unable to attend herself because she had another commitment, a spokesman said.

Ahmed said "we are not strangers" and reminded the diplomats that the alliance's candidate for prime minister, top pro-Taliban cleric Maulana Fazal-ur Rehman, had been chairman of the parliamentary Foreign Relations Committee in the 1990s.

"We want to be a peaceful member of the international fraternity," said Ahmed.

But alliance leaders said they didn't intend to back down on their opposition to President Pervez Musharraf's support for the U.S.-led war on terror, which has included providing bases for American attacks on the Taliban and al-Qaida fighters in Afghanistan.



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In Venezuela, lines between democratic protest and insurrection blur

► Twenty-six military officers and Caracas protesters called for President Chavez's ouster

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CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — The number of military officers calling for President Hugo Chavez's ouster rose to 26 at a rally on Wednesday — a mini-revolt blurring the lines between protest and insurrection.

The president was silent as Caracas protesters demanded Chavez's ouster. The military high command accused the dissidents of involvement in an April coup, and soldiers were staying in their barracks.

The government insisted there was no unrest within military ranks, and state television aired footage showing citizens calmly going about their business in most areas of Caracas.

Still, the 1 million-member Venezuelan Workers Confederation threw its support behind the dissidents Wednesday, as did the Primera Justicia political party.

Fourteen officers went on national television Tuesday to call for a rebellion. They insisted they weren't trying to provoke a coup, but cited a constitutional clause allowing citizens to rebel against a government they consider undemocratic. They were later joined by 12 other officers.

It's a clause Chavez himself sanctioned in 1999 when he ushered in a new constitution as the cornerstone of his leftist revolution against corruption and poverty in this South American oil exporter.

Analysts say Chavez created the clause to justify his actions in 1992 when, as an army paratrooper, he led a failed military coup against an unpopular but democratically elect-

ed government.

Chavez was jailed after the coup, released two years later and was elected president in 1998.

The constitution's Article 350 is now a rallying point for Venezuela's burgeoning opposition, which is looking for ways to oust Chavez before his term ends in 2007.

Rebel military officers used it to justify an April 12-14 coup that followed the slayings of 19 people in an opposition protest. Governments worldwide condemned the coup, but the rebels have evaded prosecution by citing Article 350.

"I've been here since 7 o'clock last night. I don't want to miss a thing, and I'll stay here until the end — until Chavez quits," Rosa Alfonso, 33, said at the 2-day-old rally at the eastern Caracas plaza, which rebel officers declared "liberated territory."

"We're using Article 350. That is our right. We're not provoking a coup."

The secretary general of the workers confederation, Manuel Cova, called on citizens to join the protest to pressure the president to call early elections or at least a nonbinding referendum on his rule in December.

The opposition insists Chavez no longer controls a country mired in economic recession. The country is fiercely divided between Venezuelans who consider Chavez an autocrat and those who believe him a champion of the poor.

"This crisis has reached levels that the government is unable to manage," Cova said. "Those military officers, by proposing the president's resignation or elections, are echoing what the majority of Venezuelans have expressed. And that proposal falls within constitutional norms."

Chavez, who was re-elected in 2000, has rejected the idea of a nonbinding referendum



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Supporters of military officers urging Venezuelans to rise up against President Hugo Chavez shout and wave national flags as Army Gen. Nestor Gonzalez speaks in Altamira Plaza in Caracas, Venezuela, Wednesday, Oct. 23, 2002. The number of military officers calling for President Hugo Chavez's ouster rose to 26 at a rally on Wednesday — a mini-revolt blurring the lines between protest and insurrection.

in December, arguing it would be unconstitutional. But he has welcomed a binding referendum next August, halfway into his term.

A former foreign minister accused of plotting to overthrow Chavez said in an interview published Wednesday that most officers fear a coup and the violence it would trigger.

Enrique Tejera Paris, 83, also told The Daily

Journal that military officers visited him and sought his advice on how to depose Chavez before and after Venezuela's failed April 12-14 coup.

He said he suggested the armed forces push Chavez into resigning because the constitution allows Venezuelans to rebel against a government that violates human rights.

Israel arrests 10 people, including army officer, for alleged spying

► Iran-backed Hezbollah often fired rockets at Israeli border villages during 18-year war

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JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli security forces arrested a high-ranking army officer and nine other people on suspicion of spying for the Lebanese Hezbollah guerrillas, the military and a lawyer for the officer said Wednesday.

Iran-backed Hezbollah is a bitter enemy of Israel, and the prospect of an Israeli officer cooperating with the guerrillas is almost unheard of. Hezbollah often fired rockets at Israeli border villages during an 18-year war with Israeli troops who occupied a strip of southern Lebanon until May 2000.

The officer, a lieutenant colonel, was arrested on suspicion of providing Hezbollah with information on troop deployments in exchange for money and drugs, said Amnon Zichroni, the officer's lawyer. He said his client, whose name and role in the army have been banned from publication, denied the allegations.

The officer is a Bedouin, army officials said. Israeli Bedouins are not

conscripted into the army, but many volunteer for service. Most Israeli Arabs, who make up about a sixth of the country's population, do not serve in the military.

In Beirut, Hezbollah officials had no comment.

The army officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they caught on to the spy cell when a cell phone belonging to one of the suspects was found on the body of a gunman who infiltrated into Israel from Lebanon last March. The gunman killed six people before being shot dead by soldiers.

No information was available on the other nine suspects.

Zichroni said his client was arrested a month and a half ago and would be charged before a military court on espionage and drug-dealing counts Monday.

In June, Israeli intelligence officers arrested an Israeli citizen of Lebanese descent on suspicion of spying for Hezbollah.

Though fighting in Lebanon ended with Israel's pullout, the border remains tense. Hezbollah disputes part of the border drawn by the United Nations and periodically shells it. Guerrillas also fire anti-aircraft missiles at Israeli planes, and fragments often fall on Israeli villages.

United States says Bosnia, Yugoslav aviation firms repaired aircraft for Iraq

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BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — A Bosnian aviation firm and Yugoslavia state-run arms dealer helped Iraq repair aircraft in violation of the U.N. arms embargo, the United States said Wednesday.

U.S. authorities have "clear evidence" that the aviation firm, Orao Aviation, and the arms dealer, Yugoimport, provided military assistance to Iraq, according to a statement released by the U.S. Embassy in the Bosnian capital of Sarajevo.

"The U.S. expects the relevant authorities in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Yugoslavia to undertake the necessary steps to immediately halt any ongoing cooperation with Iraq, to conduct a thorough investigation and hold accountable those responsible," the statement said.

Authorities in the Bosnian Serb Republic, where Orao is located, acknowledged the company's involvement in the illegal trading.

"The Orao company has been violating the embargo on export of arms to Iraq. The responsible individuals will have to be punished," said Cvijeta Kovacevic, the head of the government's information bureau in Banja Luka.

The U.N. Security Council has

maintained a strict embargo on trading with Iraq since Saddam's army invaded neighboring Kuwait in 1990. Countries violating the embargo could face sanctions.

Authorities provided few details about the violations, which apparently came to light after NATO peacekeepers raided the Orao factory earlier this month.

The government of Yugoslavia promptly fired Yugoimport's director, Jovan Cekovic, and a deputy defense minister, Ivan Djokic, and ordered the arms dealer to shut down its Baghdad office.

The U.S. government welcomed the moves, State Department spokesman Philip Reeker said. "We believe that these are significant decisions by the government of Yugoslavia."

The scandal has become a major embarrassment for officials in Belgrade. Serbia's justice minister, Vladan Batic, demanded the resignation of Prime Minister Dragisa Pesic and Defense Minister Velimir Radojevic.

Batic made the demand as leaders in Belgrade clashed over who was responsible for the scandal, which could result in renewed sanctions against the troubled Balkan country. Zoran Djindjic, the prime minister

of Yugoslavia's dominant republic, Serbia, accused the federal president, Vojislav Kostunica, of "not doing his job" by failing to prevent some members of the federal Yugoslav army from doing business with the regime of Iraqi president Saddam Hussein.

"This is so damaging to our international reputation," Djindjic said. "At a time when major nations are rallying to battle terrorism, it is very dangerous to be on the other side."

The American embassy said the revelations about illegal transactions with Iraq were presented to senior officials in the Bosnian Serb republic, central authorities in Sarajevo and the government of Yugoslavia.

"The officials have pledged a full investigation of these allegations," the embassy statement said.

President Kostunica admitted the embargo against Iraq was violated and said a thorough investigation in Belgrade was underway.

He played down the extent of assistance, describing it as "merely some work on repairing aircraft engines of an older generation, not... the sale of modern weaponry which we don't have, anyway." Still, he acknowledged that any such ties with Iraq were "hazardous and irresponsible."

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Bradbury and Smith differ sharply in final debate

► Candidates discussed their stances on several issues

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MEDFORD (AP) — Bill Bradbury accused U.S. Sen. Gordon Smith of raising taxes and creating tax benefits that favor the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans.

In a debate held here Wednesday, Bradbury also said the Republican incumbent has been supportive of bills that would overturn the will of Oregon voters, such as backing U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft's efforts to overturn the assisted-suicide law.

Smith countered that he has worked to cut taxes, something his Democratic challenger has never done.

"Bill Bradbury has been one of the biggest taxers and spenders we have ever had run for federal office."

Smith acknowledged that he doesn't favor the assisted suicide law, but didn't apologize for that stance.

"I believe in state's rights, but I also recognize that we fought a Civil War that established federal pre-emption," Smith said. "I don't think government should be involved in suicide."

The debate, which was expected to be the last of the campaign, was televised by KOB Channel 5. Smith has a sizable lead in polls and campaign money.

Both candidates agreed that something needs to be done to get the economy rolling.

With 120,000 people out of work in Oregon, Bradbury proposes a short-term solution of creating government

work projects that would improve transportation.

For the long term, he said more attention should be paid to developing the state's timber, agriculture and high-tech industries.

"All the things Bill talked about, I have done," Smith replied.

On Iraq, the candidates differed on a resolution giving President Bush the right to make a pre-emptive attack.

Bradbury said the resolution, which Smith supported, is a significant error in foreign policy. Smith said the resolution requires the president to exhaust all political means before an attack takes place.

"The best way to get peace is to be strong now and to be united now," Smith said.

On wildfires, Bradbury said he supports sustainable management of forests to reduce the fire danger, but said, "I believe we shouldn't override existing environmental principles to thin forests."

He said both Smith and President Bush want to use the thinning of forests as an excuse to log old growth.

"That shouldn't come as any surprise because Gordon Smith has received more money from the timber industry than any other candidate in the U.S. Congress," he said.

Smith said Bradbury has established a double standard on the issue.

"Twice in the 1990s, Bill Bradbury took out permits to clear-cut his land to bulldoze, road build, burn and clear cut," he said.

Smith said that while environmental concerns must be heeded, a million acres burn every year because public lands aren't properly managed.

Former Forest Service chief says quick fix insufficient for wildfire

By JEFF BARNARD
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BEND (AP) — Former U.S. Forest Service chief Jack Ward Thomas said Wednesday another "quick fix" of environmental laws to overhaul management of national forests so they are less susceptible to wildfire has a poor chance of long-term success.

Citing the intense political and court battles of the last decade over the northern spotted owl, Thomas told a conference on wildfire that current environmental laws have left land management agencies like the Forest Service without the flexibility they need to manage a changing landscape.

Thomas characterized the system of managing public lands as a "snafu" that has been decades in the making, adding that one more quick fix like the suspension of environmental laws known as the Salvage Rider, which Congress enacted to get logging moving in the Northwest amid court orders protecting spotted owl habitat, can be justified by the danger of wildfire.

But he added that over the long run, quick fixes make for poor public policy, predicting that another will trigger a political uproar and further erode the credibility of the Forest Service and other agencies.

"A quick fix is symptomatic that things don't work right," Thomas said in an interview. "It means somebody needs to look at the real problem."

Thomas said after the speech that the Healthy Forests initiative from

President Bush, which would change environmental laws to speed up logging in national forests aimed at reducing fire danger, would qualify as a quick fix in his eyes, much like the infamous Salvage Rider of 1994. Bills addressing the wildfire issue are pending in both houses of Congress, but are caught in debate.

Thomas served as the head of a panel of scientists that developed the scientific basis for the Northwest Forest Plan, which was adopted in 1994 to balance logging against protection of habitat for the spotted owl, salmon and other species after lawsuits from environmentalists shut down logging in the national forests in Western Oregon, Washington and Northern California.

Though the logging goals of the Northwest Forest Plan were never met, due to continued legal wrangling over surveying for rare species before auctioning off timber sales, Thomas said it would not have allowed enough logging to make much difference to this year's wildfires.

The nation's biggest wildfire this year, the Biscuit fire on the Siskiyou National Forest in Southwestern Oregon, was nearly 500,000 acres and was within the area covered by the Northwest Forest Plan.

Appointed by President Clinton in 1994, Thomas became the first wildlife biologist to serve as head of the Forest Service. He is now Boone & Crockett professor of wildlife conservation at the University of Montana.

Thomas was keynote speaker at a conference titled, "Fire in Oregon's Forests: Assessing the Risks, Affects and Treatment Options," sponsored by the Oregon Forest Resources Institute and the Oregon Department of Forestry.

In other presentations, Colin Hardy of the Forest Service's Fire Sciences Laboratory in Missoula, Mont., said despite national maps showing 47 million acres of western forests at moderate to severe risk of wildfire, it is very difficult to assess fire risk on a local level, because it depends so much on what it is people are afraid of losing.

"If what you want to see ecologically happens, you might call this a good fire," Hardy said. "If it's in your back yard, it's a bad fire."

"We need to think like fire and think like fuel to talk about this fire situation. Risk is purely a cultural concept. If we don't care, it's not a risk."

Jim Rochelle, a consulting wildlife biologist, said the most significant effects of wildfire on wildlife come from changing habitat.

"There will be winners and losers when habitat is changed," Rochelle said. More dead trees, for example, provide nesting places for some birds. Killing trees encroaching on a meadow creates more edge habitat for deer and elk.

Rochelle said there are risks to some threatened and endangered species from thinning forests, but the risk of losing an entire habitat to wildfire tend to be greater, particularly when an organism has a small home range.

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Football: Penn State and Ohio State take to the gridiron in Big-10 play

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improved to 32-1 as a starter at Miami. McGahee is averaging seven yards per carry and has totaled 11 TD's on the season. The Mountaineers are coming off of big wins over Rutgers and Syracuse the past two weeks. Led by Senior RB Avon Cobourne who has 1,002 rushing yards and nine TD's thus far, West Virginia will look to end Miami's 28 game winning streak.

Temple (3-4) at No. 3 Virginia Tech (7-0)

Coming off of a big win in Connecticut, the Temple Owls look to extend their two game win streak in Blacksburg. The Owl's no huddle offense can be confusing, but Mike McGann's 8:11 TD to interception ratio should be no problem for the Hokie defense. All the hype around the backfield for the Hokies, or the "untouchables" seems to be true. Lee Suggs has racked up 711 rushing yards and 11 TD's on the season. Splitting time with Suggs is Sophomore RB Kevin Jones who has been able to tally 632 yards and eight TD's.

No. 17 Penn State (5-2) at No. 4 Ohio State (8-0)

Last year at Beaver Stadium, the Nittany Lions came from an 18 point deficit in the 3rd quarter to knock off Ohio State 29-27. Buckeye QB Craig Krenzel has totaled 1,275 yards and nine TD's on the season, but is overshadowed by Freshman RB Maurice Claret. Arguably the best player in the nation, Claret has rushed for 981 yards and has 13 TD's on the season, throwing him into a jumbled Heisman race this season. The Nittany Lions bring 1,686 passing yards and 11 TD's from QB Zach Mills along with a strong backfield. RB Larry Johnson has a total of nine TD's to account for his 876 yards on the season. Look for Ohio State to rush the ball right at the Penn State defense and get revenge on the Nittany Lions.

No. 14 Iowa (7-1) at No. 8 Michigan (6-1)

The Iowa Hawkeyes haven't seen the Roses in 12 years and a major step at the

Big-10 title could come with a win over Michigan in Ann Arbor. Led by Senior QB Brad Banks, with 1,575 passing yards and 15 TD's, Iowa will have their hands full with Michigan. Junior WR Maurice Brown, of Fort Lauderdale, FL, will look to add to his six receiving TD's while making some big plays for the Hawkeyes. As for the Wolverines, QB John Navarre leads the offense with 1,637 passing yards and 14 TD's. RB Chris Perry has 657 yards on the season and will look to add to his eight TD's on the season. However, Iowa boasts the second rated rushing defense in the nation allowing only 67.4 yards per game.

No. 18 Iowa State (6-2) at No. 7 Texas (6-1)

Iowa State's QB Seneca Wallace was looking like the Heisman favorite until last week's showing against Oklahoma, where the Sooner defense pressured Wallace into 43 passing yards and three interceptions. Wallace still has put up decent numbers with 11 TD's and 1,844 passing yards. The Cyclones will need more than the 60 total yards they had against Oklahoma to take on a Texas team that has a 16 game home win streak in their favor. QB Chris Simms did come up short of a victory over the Sooners in the Red River Shootout, but Simms still has 1,501 passing yards along with 12 TD's. RB Cedric Benson has rushed for 735 yards and five TD's out of the Longhorn backfield.

Texas Tech (5-3) at No. 20 Colorado (5-2)

Kliff Kingsbury leads a high-powered offense into Boulder to take on a Buffalo team that has won their last four games. Kingsbury, another Heisman candidate, became the first player in Big-12 history to pass for over 500 yards in a game last weekend in a victory over Missouri. Kingsbury has 2,916 passing yards to accompany a 28:6 touchdown to interception ratio. Colorado looks to be the favorite in this game, seeing as how the home team has won every game in the series. Junior RB Chris Brown leads the Buffalo offense with 1,154 yards and 13 TD's on the season. It only took Brown 143 carries to eclipse the 1,000

yard mark, making him the fastest player in Colorado history to do so. Brown is looking like a Heisman finalist.

No. 5 Georgia (7-0) at Kentucky (5-2)

Many people were a bit skeptical of the Bulldogs' ranking as they escaped some close games against South Carolina and Clemson early in the season. But after watching them dismantle Vanderbilt last week and get a big win over Tennessee, the Bulldogs look for real. QB David Greene leads the offense with 1,564 yards and 12 TD's. Greene will lead the team into Lexington to take on a strong Kentucky team that put up quite the fight with Florida earlier this season. The Wildcats' ground attack is led by RB Artose Pinner 781 yards and seven TD's. Meanwhile QB Jared Lorenzen has a 148.0 QB rating to coincide with his 1,521 yards to lead the Kentucky air attack. Georgia will use this game as a tune up for the "world's greatest outdoor cocktail party," when they play a Florida team that has a lot to prove in Jacksonville next week.

Alabama (5-2) at No. 15 Tennessee (4-2)

The Volunteers will host an Alabama team that is coming off of a 42-7 trouncing of Mississippi. The Vols have lost close games this season at Georgia and at home to the Gators. Kelley Washington nicknamed himself "the future," but has been streaky this season. He averaged 28.1 yards per catch in a win over Rutgers but then was held to only 32 yards in the loss to Georgia. Washington only has one touchdown on the season. Casey Clausen sat out last weekend due to a shoulder injury and is listed probable this weekend. His backup, James Banks, came in to hit 10 of 15 passes for 168 yards in the loss to Georgia. The Crimson Tide is led by RB's Shaud Williams and Santonio Beard who have totaled nine touchdowns together this season.

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Jackson: Beavers have all the right pieces, just not correctly assembled

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things...
Sporting sweatpants,
The hats are cool too,
But I can't wear them...
I simply think of my dreads
and I realize —
Not wearing a hat is not
bad...

If the OSU football team was a giant heart, Jackson would be the pacemaker.

"I visualize myself as the dynamite," Jackson said. "If I explode on the field I expect the team to be exploding as well. If I'm making big plays the team gets fired up and then

they want to go out and play even harder."

The true sophomores confidence has surely grown, as last year he played behind OSU all-time leading rusher Ken Simonton and Patrick McCall.

He said his patience for the game has evolved, a big change from last season.

"I still get frustrated, but I'm teaching myself to just go with the flow. I can't put too much on me that I can't bear and I learned to trust my teammates and share the load."

The load is immense this weekend as the Men in Black face the California Golden

Bears at home in a Dad's Week-end duel.

First year coach Jeff Tedford has led a feisty, upstart Cal team on a rampage with wins over formerly ranked Michigan State, UCLA and UW — so the Beavers definitely have a plateful for Saturday.

"They're tough, and turning their program around," Jackson said. "But we've had a good week of practice and I think we have an edge."

"I need to take over the game, if I get the ball I believe I can turn the game around. I need to help us keep the defense off the field."

"The big problem is that the defense has been on the field too long and the offense is just on the sidelines getting idle."

As for the whole team, Jackson feels they're like a puzzle with all the right pieces — just not put together.

All he knows is he's gotta keep playing his song "Regrets" by Jay-Z — if he leaves it all out on the field, maybe he'll add the Beavers' first Pac-10 win this season to his list of favorite things.

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Versus: How could Nebraska play for the title last season? — BCS

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chance to play a New Year's Day bowl game. A playoff system looks good on paper, but it destroys the essence of college football.

AT: The essence of college football was destroyed when the BCS was instituted. Two years ago Oklahoma should have played Miami in the title game. Last year Oregon should have had a shot at Miami. Obviously the world isn't fair, but it makes no sense why teams who have a shot at the championship don't get one.

EP: I'll give you that. Nebraska didn't deserve to be on the field last year, but if they had won we'd be scratching our heads right now. What do you look at each week when you're thinking about college football? The top 25 poll. Since college football isn't the NFL and every team doesn't play each other during the regular season, or even play common opponents most of the time, the BCS is the only system that works right now. Even with a playoff system instituted there will be a debate about the teams that weren't invited to play in the final eight.

AT: First of all the fact that teams don't play each other in the regular season is a perfect reason for a playoff. Let the teams settle the issue on the field. I understand that an eight team playoff will leave out teams, just like a 16 team playoff would leave out some teams. Most year's teams outside the top eight wouldn't have a real-

istic shot at the title.

EP: OK, so you want to cap the season at 11 games, kill off all of the conference championship games and take all the excitement out of the bowl selection process. College football is also about fan excitement and tradition. Last year LSU defeated Illinois in the Sugar Bowl, that game will stand out in Tiger fan's minds forever. If they had won in the Sugar Bowl playing in a 'semi-final' game, and then lost in the title game, they would look at their season as a failure because they ended with a loss.

AT: I'm sure LSU fans would have hated a shot at the National Championship last year. Although the example of LSU brings up a fair criticism of a playoff. LSU lost three games last year, but in a playoff could have won the title. A playoff would not guarantee the best team winning the title, the champion would be the hottest team in December and January.

EP: Go ahead, try to pick apart everything I say. Look at how memorable the 2001 Fiesta Bowl has been for the Beavers, obviously any team would love a shot at a National Championship game, but under the BCS system teams not deserving to play for the title can still have historic seasons for their program.

AT: I would say that Beavers should have had a title shot that year. They probably weren't one of the top two teams in the country, but they were surely in the

mix. How much more impressive would that run have been if they did get a title shot through a playoff, even if they lost, losing the title game would not spoil their season.

EP: Woulda, coulda, shoulda. Life isn't fair, you're talking like a socialist. When the bowl games start I look for every game to have a different storyline and to watch each team play their final game of the season. If I want to watch a playoff game I'll watch the NFL. College football is still the purest game we have, where everyone can have a valid opinion on who deserves to play whom. The rankings, individual bowls and the BCS is what makes college football great.

AT: Hopefully this year three of these teams; Notre Dame, Miami, Virginia Tech, Ohio State, Oklahoma and Georgia remain undefeated. Then what will you say? Some computer experts are saying that if Oklahoma, Miami and ND all win out, Miami will be third. In that case a team that hasn't lost in almost three years wouldn't even have a title shot. The BCS is far from perfect and this year I believe that will become obvious.

EP: Then hopefully the third of these teams learns the lesson that they have to accept the system they are playing under and accept their measly ten-million dollar payday.

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East Coast, West Coast, Midwest, tons of big games this weekend

► College football is heating up and everybody is in for a treat

By KYLE DOVER
BAROMETER SPORTS WRITER

No. 6 Notre Dame (7-0) at No. 13 Florida State (5-2)

We will all find out just how good Notre Dame is this weekend when they travel down to Tallahassee, FL, to take on Bobby Bowden's Seminoles. The Fightin' Irish are coming off of a win over an impressive Air Force squad where

they may have found their offense. RB Ryan Grant sparked the Irish last game, rushing for 190 yards that added to a season high 477 yards of total offense for the Irish. The 'Noles however, have only lost two home games since 1991, both coming last year; to ACC opponent NC State and national champion, Miami. After yet another heartbreaking missed field goal attempt against Miami, the 'Noles look to continue their winning ways at home. Junior RB Greg Jones has emerged as a Heisman candidate while averaging 5.9 yards per carry and scoring eight TD's. But big play maker Anquan Boldin is averaging 16.0 yards per catch with

four TD's to add to Chris Rix's ariel attack.

No. 9 NC State (8-0) at Clemson (4-3)

80,000 Clemson fans will pack into "Death Valley" to root on their Tiger's against an undefeated NC State team. The Wolfpack of NC State have yet to lose although getting a scare last week from Duke and winning a mid-season shootout against Texas Tech. Heisman candidate QB Philip Rivers has 2,015 passing yards on the season and 16 TD's to lead what many consider an overrated NC State team. We'll have to wait until the second week of November to see if the Wolfpack is for real when they

travel to Maryland, or maybe even the last game of the season when they host Florida State.

No. 1 Miami (6-0) at West Virginia (5-2)

Coming off a bye week, No. 1 Miami will travel to Morgantown to take on the Mountaineers. Miami boasts two Heisman Trophy candidates in QB Ken Dorsey and RB Willis McGahee. Dorsey isn't putting up great numbers — 14 TD's, seven interceptions and 1,406 passing yards — but with the win over Florida State, he

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Jackson serves as Beavers' dynamite

► Sophomore running back is hoping to carry OSU to their first Pac-10 victory of 2002

By CANDACE ZEPP
BAROMETER SPORTS WRITER

If we were to parody Coors Light parodying the famous tune "My Favorite Things," sophomore running back Steven "Action" Jackson would have a field day with the chance to sing his favorite things about OSU.

I managed to catch a string of phrases before he got dragged away to another interview...

(sang to the tune of "My Favorite Things," as seen on The Sound of Music and Coors Light commercials).

Loud student sections
(I love the student section),
Wearing my Jordans —
Patent leather on turf
Getting the yardage, gotta love Erickson,

These are a few of my favorite things...

Sophomore sensation,
I am Action Jackson.
Mom and Dad yelling
Up in the stands
My roommate, the jumbotron —
Fellow Jacksons like Jamaal...

These are a few of my favorite things...

Offensive linemen,
HOW I LOVE THEM,
No. 14 giving me the ball,
Oh simply remembering my favorite things —

How could I ever feel bad?
Trees all over campus,
Forget walking to class,
Just give me a bike,
And don't forget the shuttle...
My interviewer and
Our chemistry too —

These are a few of my favorite things...

Memorial Union
And the three restaurants they have

All the variety,
Chillin with my crew.
I still love my Air Jordans —
Please endorse me —

These are a few of my favorite

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USC safety DeShaun Hill finds out the hard way how it feels to take on the PAC-10's number two running back Steven Jackson. Jackson has rushed for 765 yards this season.

Basketball scrimmages, sells tickets

► Men's basketball precludes season with scrimmage at Gill

BAROMETER WIRE REPORTS

Corvallis — The Oregon State University men's basketball team will scrimmage Sat., Oct. 26, prior to the football game vs. California. The scrimmage is set to begin at approximately 10:30 a.m. in Gill Coliseum.

Beginning at 10 a.m., individuals will have an opportunity to purchase season tickets during the "Select-A-Seat" Day. Fans will be able to locate an available seat, signified by a balloon, for the 2002-2003 season. Attached to the balloon will be information regarding the proper donation level that is warranted for that seat. Ticket personnel will be located in the main lobby to receive your ticket purchases or to answer questions. Payment may be made by check, cash, Visa, MasterCard or Discover.

Three other ticket packages are available for the season, including the Pac-10 Pack (\$125), High-Five Pack (\$60), and the Family Fun Zone plan (\$35 adults/\$25 children).

Ten lettermen, including four starters, return to the team under the guidance of first-year head coach Jay John. The Beavers possess one of the best inside duos in the Pac-10 Conference with seniors Philip Ricci and Brian Jackson. Senior Jimmie Haywood returns to the perimeter with exciting players J.S. Nash, Floyd North III and several newcomers joining the cast.

The Beavers open play with an exhibition game, Mon., Nov. 4 vs. the Northwest All-Stars at Gill Coliseum. The regular season begins Sat., Nov. 23 vs. the Idaho Vandals in Corvallis.

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Men's 'B': Nicholas Wood
Women's 'A': Corrine Clarke
Women's 'B': Marti Runyan

Is the BCS B.S., or are do we all want bowls?

The BCS has recently been released and is one of the most controversial things in all of sports. Should the BCS eventually be replaced?

A.J. Tyvand: The BCS's job is to get the two best teams in college football to play each other in one game for the National Championship. It doesn't do that.

Eric Powell: So you can guarantee me a system where the best two teams actually play each other? Come on A.J., the BCS's other job is to get fans interested in the games and it surely does that.

AT: Nobody can guarantee a perfect system, but the BCS is too far from perfect. Last year a team, Nebraska, played for the national championship without winning its conference. They didn't even play in the Big 12 championship game.

EP: You're talking like every other critic of the BCS, bashing everything that has happened so far

under that system. But you're unable to produce another system which keeps the spirit of college football alive and allows the bowl games to continue with their same prestige.

AT: I know the BCS is around for awhile, but eventually a playoff should be put in play. I would say cap the regular season at 11 games. Keep all the small bowls and have the top eight teams play in a playoff. No.1 versus No. 8 and so on until a champion is determined. Start the playoff the first week of December and you can still finish the playoff in early January.

EP: If you do that you'll lose the tradition of the Fiesta Bowl and Orange Bowl being title games.

AT: Currently, the big bowls rotate each year who gets the title game. So, in the playoff once you get down to four teams the semi-finals could be, for example, the Orange Bowl and Sugar Bowl and then the winners would play in the Fiesta Bowl the next week. Those major bowls could rotate each year.

EP: The beauty of college football is for a team to play hard all year and then after their regular season find out which bowl game they are going to play in. In that type of playoff system four teams are missing out on a

A.J.
Tyvand



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