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## Amid mixed reports, speculation, rumors, still no decision by Riley

**■ OSU's coach interviewed with the Chargers for a second day Wednesday**By **ANDREW HINKELMAN***The Daily Barometer*

Will he or won't he?

After another day of waiting, that is still the unanswered question on everyone's mind.

Mike Riley's interview for the San Diego Chargers' coaching job dragged on into a second day, although it remained clear that the job is his if he feels comfortable inheriting several assistants.

Riley said late Wednesday afternoon that he had no reservations about the makeup of his staff. A deal making him the twelfth coach in franchise history didn't seem far away.

"I think there's some, I suppose, it's to cross and it's to dot," Riley said. "I'm hopeful, I'll say that. ... Within 24 hours, I think we'll be able to say that one way or another."

General manager Bobby Beathard is insisting that Riley, the coach at Oregon State, retain defensive coordinator Joe Pascale and his staff, as well as offensive line coach Joe Bugel and running backs coach Ollie Wilson.

San Diego's defense was one of the few bright spots in an otherwise dismal 5-11 season, ranking first in fewest yards allowed overall and against the run.

"Honestly, it isn't that simple because this is a little different situation, just because of coming in and not bringing all your own guys," Beathard said Wednesday. "He wants to make sure it's right."

ESPN *The Magazine's* John Clayton reported Wednesday that Riley will become the San Diego Chargers' next head coach, barring a snag in contract negotiations.

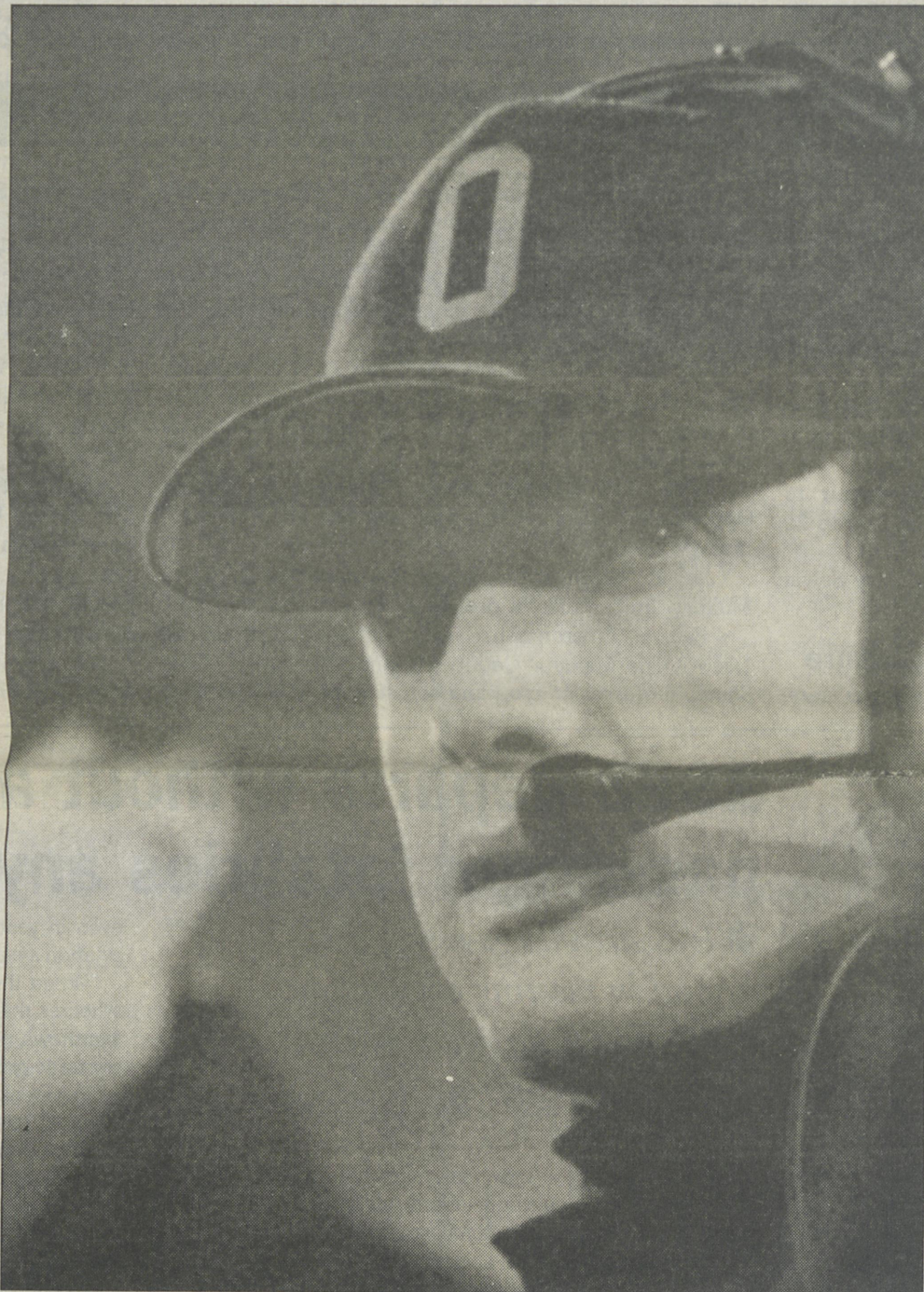


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See **RILEY**, page 7**No official word has come from Mike Riley as to whether he will take the NFL job and the Oregon State community continues to wait.**

## OSU officials stand by, ready for next move

**■ Recruiting visits planned for this weekend are cancelled as Oregon State athletic officials prepare to search for a new coach should Mike Riley take the head coaching job with the San Diego Chargers**By **TROY FOSTER***The Daily Barometer*

Apparently Oregon State's counter offer of raising head coach Mike Riley's salary by approximately \$50,000 and adding three more years on his contract may not be enough.

Should Riley take the San Diego Chargers NFL job, OSU athletic director Mitch Barnhart is ready to take the next step.

Immediately.

"I'm working on the plans as we speak," Barnhart said. "If something were to go, I'm ready to rock and roll. We need to find ourselves a coach that wants to finish this project and get our program back where we can be respectable and talk about it on a daily basis."

As Riley's future hangs in the balance, so does the future of his assistant coaching staff at OSU. Under the terms of what the San Diego organization is proposing, Riley may inherit a large portion of the current Charger staff, particularly the defensive side of the field. That leaves an uncertainty as to which OSU assistant coaches will remain or join Riley in San Diego.

Therefore, a massive coaching exodus could have serious implications on OSU's recruiting. Visits by an estimated 20 recruits planned for this weekend have

already been cancelled.

Barnhart said the program would do its best to salvage the situation.

"We are in contact with them. We will stay in contact with them," he said of the football recruits. "We're working hard on it, we're not going to give up for a second. No retreat."

"We're going to hold off on our visits for this weekend and reschedule them to make sure we get them done in an appropriate fashion."

Barnhart said Wednesday afternoon that he had not spoken to Riley since Tuesday and still did not know the coach's future. The athletic director then called a players meeting around 5 p.m. Wednesday to discuss the situation.

"We just want to make sure we're all on the same page and we're all talking about the same things," Barnhart said. "I don't want anyone saying anything that's inappropriate or be negative. I just want to make them understand that it's an Oregon State family, and one way or another — whatever happens here — we'll get through it. We're going to press on."

Barnhart hopes a new coach could be named in two weeks should Riley leave.

"I hope it doesn't take two weeks," he said. "I hope we can do it quicker than that, ... but it's important for us to get after it as fast as we can," he said.

## Living groups hit by winter break robberies

**■ Several fraternities suffered thousands of dollars in losses**By **BETHANY BUCKLES***The Daily Barometer*

While the fraternity men were away, the mice played.

Several OSU fraternities, including Sigma Chi, Delta Upsilon and Lambda Chi Alpha, were severely burglarized during the winter break.

Lambda Chi Alpha alone has estimated its losses at approximately \$10,000. Their bicycle rack was pried open, and the more expensive bikes were removed. They also had their big-screen television and some stereo speakers stolen.

Tyson Nivens, a resident of Delta Upsilon, said about \$7,000 in

computers, stereo equipment, clothes and televisions were stolen from the fraternity that was locked up but not connected to any alarm system during the winter break.

"Almost every room in the house had either the locks broken or all the hinges off the door jams," said Nivens, whose television was stolen. "I was really distraught and pissed off."

Sigma Chi wasn't so badly hit. Their losses included a surround-sound television system, golf clubs, random movies and CDs, and some stereo equipment.

"This place was a ghost town," said OSU Greek Life Coordinator Clay Torsett, referring to Corvallis during the break. "I think we'll have to look at getting alarm systems in the men's groups just for the holidays."

With occupants constantly going in and out of the fraternities and sororities, it is difficult to secure them.

Marie Marsh, an OSU freshman who lives in the D-long wing of Sackett Hall, was robbed over the break as well. A stereo, some CDs and her backpack were all stolen, and Marsh intends to meet with Housing and Dining Services on Friday to discuss improvements she feels could be made in security at Sackett.

"When I first saw my room, I was just devastated. I felt so horrible, because people were in here and looking through my things — some strangers," Marsh said.

The thief(s) apparently climbed on some milk crates, scaled a drain pipe and broke her window to get in.

When Marsh and her mother examined the residence halls before she moved in, they requested permission to put extra locks on the windows and doors because of the lack of dead bolts. They were turned down for reasons having to do with fire safety, said Marsh.

"I'd like to be reimbursed by the school for what I've lost," said Marsh. Because students are locked out of their residence hall rooms during holiday breaks and vacations, Marsh said the school should assume responsibility for her property because she could not watch it herself, and they would not allow her to protect herself further.

According to Marsh, several other rooms in Sackett were burglarized as well.

“Almost every room in the house had either the locks broken or all the hinges off the door jams.”

**TYSON NIVENS,  
DELTA UPSILON  
RESIDENT**



## NEWS

# Most computers work fine at new year, with few exceptions

■ *Rumors persist about the coming of the end of the world, but hold little validity*

By CHRIS ALLBRITTON

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Worries that the first few days of the new year would bring computer problems similar to those expected when the dreaded Y2K bug hits appear to be mostly unfounded.

There were concerns that computers looking a year ahead could crash or that the "99" in "1999" would signal programs to cease calculating.

For the most part, the worriers were proven wrong and computers operated smoothly Friday and Monday. But the few glitches that did pop up were a sign that a year from now things could get tricky.

For instance:

— In Singapore, computerized taxi meters went dead at noon Jan. 1 for about two hours, according to *The Sunday Times*;

— Two medical products, a Hewlett-Packard external defibrillator and Invivo's Research Inc.'s Millennia 3500 multiparameter patient monitor, perform basic functions properly, but display the wrong time and date if not reset properly. More than 39,000 of defibrillators and more than 2,000 patient monitors are in use around the world;

— According to the *Sunday Telegraph* in Sydney, Australia, computers at police offices in three Swedish airports failed at midnight Jan. 1, when they were unable to recognize the year 1999. Travelers who needed temporary passports were unable to have them issued, although the problem was fixed some hours later.

— In Anchorage, Alaska, the AM radio station KFQD was unable to receive The Associated Press' wire when the date changed. Jay White, chief engineer for the station, said the software for reading the wire went down Saturday morning and wasn't brought back up until Monday morning. When the date changed to Jan. 1, 1999, a bug in the out-of-date software hit the "99" and ceased to function.

"These are kind of whispers in the wind for what's going to happen in the year 2000," said Chris LeTocq, a Year 2000 ana-

lyst at Dataquest Inc., a computer research firm. "If you're hearing stories of software having problems with 1999, that means Year 2000 is real."

One of the problems that some organizations faced this weekend was the number 9, which is the highest digit that can be plugged into a date code. Programmers over time have used a series of 9s to indicate "end of file" or "cease operating," and this code can make the following dates risky:

— Jan. 1, 1999 - the beginning of the last year in the century;

— April 9, 1999 - the 99th day of the last year for the century;

— Sept. 9, 1999 - The four nines of "9-9-99."

The other problem that may have cropped up this weekend was computers looking ahead a year and choking on the Year 2000 problem — often simply called "Y2K."

The problem occurs when some computer programs, especially older ones, may fail when the date changes to 2000. Because they were written to recognize only the last two digits of a year, such programs could read the digits "00" as 1900 instead of 2000.

## BRIEFLY SPEAKING

## Road closure

Beginning today, Thursday, Jan. 7, 53rd Street will be closed to southbound traffic from West Hills Road to Hwy. 20/34 (Philomath Boulevard). Closure will begin each working day (Monday through Friday) at 9 a.m. Fifty-third Street will be re-opened to two-way traffic at 3 p.m. each day.

During restricted hours, northbound traffic accessing 53rd Street at Highway 20/34 should expect delays up to 20 minutes at West Hills Road.

Southbound traffic on 53rd Street will detour to Western Boulevard at West Hills Road. Delays up to 20 minutes are expected.

The delay is due to installation of the Sanitary Sewer line and is expected to take two weeks.

## Seminars on sustainable agriculture

The OSU department of crop and soil science is start-

ing a new winter seminar series called "Farming Today for Tomorrow," about issues in sustainable agriculture.

The weekly seminars will be presented Monday from 4 to 5 p.m. in Kidder Hall 278. The course (CSS 199) seminars are open to the campus community and the public.

Each year, the seminar series will look at different themes in sustainable agriculture, said Russ Karow, OSU professor of crop science. The 1999 scheduled seminars are as follows:

• Jan. 11 "Do Pesticides Represent a Wasted Opportunity?" Paul Jepson, professor and chair of entomology, OSU.

• Jan. 25 "Of Silver Bullets and Resistant Weeds," Carol Mallory-Smith assistant professor of weed science, OSU.

• Feb. 1 "Environmental Degradation or Sustainable Use — The Malheur County Groundwater Story," Clint Shock, professor of crop and soil science, OSU Malheur

Experiment Station.

• Feb. 8 "The Essence of IPM in Mint," Ralph Berry, professor of entomology, OSU.

• Feb. 15 "What's the Price for Healthy Crops? Putting Value on Plant Disease Resistance Genes," Pat Hayes, professor of crop science, OSU.

• Feb. 22 "Vegetation Management and Conservation of Beneficial Insects in the Context of IPM," Dan McGrath-horticulture agent, Marion County, OSU Extension Service.

• Mar. 1 "Pesticide Applications in Mixed Company — The Wasco County Spray Drift Story," Sandy Macnab, cereal crops agent, Sherman County, OSU Extension Service.

• Mar. 8 Student presentations on use of herbicide-resistant wheats.

For more information, contact Karow, 737-5857 or Nan Scott, 737-5730.

# 1998 departs without any U.S. airline passenger fatalities anywhere in world

■ *U.S. airlines go above and beyond in meeting expectations, but receive little credit for it*

By GLEN JOHNSON

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two years after the ValuJet and TWA 800 crashes raised questions about safety, U.S. airlines closed out 1998 with a little-noticed milestone: None of their 615 million passengers died in an accident.

It appears to be the first year since the dawn of commercial aviation for such an achievement.

There have been at least two other years when no one died in the crash of a U.S. jetliner, most recently 1993. But since the National Transportation Safety Board began compiling statistics in 1967, such zeros have always been offset by deaths in smaller, generally propeller-driven commuter airplanes.

In 1998, no passenger died in an accident involving a scheduled U.S. commercial airplane anywhere in the world. That silent achievement stands in contrast to the public outcry after the TWA and ValuJet crashes in 1996 killed a combined total of 340. The same year a United Express commuter accident in Quincy, Ill., killed all 12 aboard.

Government, aviation safety and airline officials were heartened by the latest news, but they were also quick to say that

even in years when there are passenger deaths, the nation's aviation system remains the safest in the world.

"When there is an accident, it's just by the grace of God whether there are a lot of people killed or not," said Stuart Matthews, president of the Flight Safety Foundation, an industry trade group. "The truth is, these are very random things."

FAA spokesman Les Dorr said 1998's zero-fatality count "was the result of the things that we and our industry partners have been doing every day to make sure that flying remains the safest form of transportation."

In April, the FAA, the airlines and the aerospace industry announced a goal to cut the aviation accident rate by 80 percent by 2010.

Among the things they are targeting are crashes in which pilots become disoriented and fly perfectly workable planes into terrain around an airport.

Without a safety commitment, experts say, a boom in worldwide aviation could result in an airplane crash each week.

The safety drive comes two years after ValuJet Flight 592 plunged into the Florida Everglades, killing 110, and TWA Flight 800 exploded off Long Island, killing 230. The crashes prompted criticism of the FAA and then-Transportation Secretary Federico Pena.

Investigators later traced the ValuJet crash to a cargo fire, prompting the FAA to order airlines to install systems that detect and fight cargo fires. Investigators still do not know what caused the TWA explosion, but they suspect sparks from wiring around the plane's center fuel tank.

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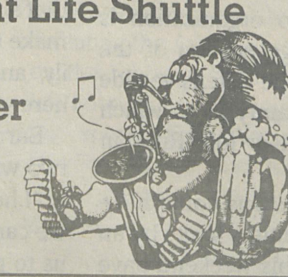
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NEWS

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Clinton proposes tax credit

WASHINGTON — President Clinton is proposing an unprecedented \$1,000 tax credit, at a cost of billions, to compensate 2 million American families struggling to provide long-term care for elderly or disabled relatives.

The tax credit, meant to compensate caregivers for a wide range of activities that tending to others requires, is part of a five-year, \$6.2 billion package that the president and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will announce Monday.

None of it becomes reality without Congress, which last year rejected the president's attempt at HMO reform through a "Patients' Bill of Rights."

According to a draft proposal obtained by The Associated Press over the weekend, Clinton's four-part initiative also proposes that the government offer federal workers and retirees private long-term care insurance, in the hope that other employers would do the same. The White House estimates that 300,000 government employees would participate in a model program.

State of the Union address may conflict with trial

WASHINGTON — Senators from both parties say President Clinton should not deliver his annual State of the Union address to Congress if the scheduled date conflicts with his impeachment trial in the Senate.

The Jan. 19 date for the speech thus provides a concrete deadline for senators now searching for a way to bring a quick end to the impeachment trial.

"I think it would be unseemly and distracting for the president to be giving a State of the Union address to Congress while he was under trial in the Senate," Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., said Sunday.

Gorton said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that the State of the Union address is one "minor factor in favor of seeing whether or not we can do it promptly."

International peace efforts face many barriers

WASHINGTON — The year ended with a war simmering between the United States and Iraq. But a cease-fire by Basque separatists, a letup of terrorism in Greece and the end of Liberia's vicious civil war are among events that contributed to a sharp drop in the number of violent conflicts worldwide, a think tank that tracks the world's warfare reported Sunday.

In its annual survey of 192 nations and territories, the National Defense Council Foundation counted 60 conflicts. That represents a drop of seven from 1997 but remains well above the 35 conflicts happening when the Cold War ended in 1989.

The Alexandria, Va.-based council, which promotes greater awareness of defense matters, tallies all violent situations that result in regional instability. These

include even major criminal activity and drug trafficking.

"The most specific and paramount danger to international peace at present is the proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons," warned Andy Messing Jr., NDCF's executive director.

Chicago battles storm

CHICAGO — Chicagoans dug out from their biggest snowstorm in more than 30 years Sunday while thousands of already delayed travelers across the Midwest waited for airlines to get their planes de-iced and back in the air.

About 22 inches of snow had piled up from Chicago across northern Indiana as the storm spread snow, ice, slush and rain from the Missouri Valley to the East Coast.

"I think Old Man Winter can just go away now and give us 80-degree weather. He made his point," Karen Erickson said after finding her car covered by a snow drift in Fond du Lac, Wis., 60 miles north of Milwaukee.

At least 23 deaths had been blamed on the storm, 10 of them in Illinois.

Single currency postponed

LONDON — Britain is sticking with its pounds and pence for now, but London's bankers and traders spent the weekend preparing to plunge into the uncharted waters of the single European currency on Monday.

Like Sweden and Denmark, Britain has postponed participation in the single currency and economic and monetary union, which locks 11 of the 15 European Union nations together financially. Greece didn't meet the economic criteria for entry.

London is the world's leading financial center. Five hundred international banks are based in the City, London's financial district. Sixty percent of share transactions in London are in non-British stocks and a third of the world's foreign exchange deals are made here.

Rep. Hastert steps up

WASHINGTON — His new title will be speaker of the House, but so far Illinois Rep. Dennis Hastert has done precious little talking.

The mild-mannered six-term conservative's low profile since his stunning rise to power two weeks ago presents a stark contrast to that of his loquacious predecessor, Rep. Newt Gingrich, who weighed in on virtually every issue and generated no shortage of controversies.

Hastert ascends to the speakership this week, assuming a position behind only the vice president in line to the presidency.

"There are expectations that the speaker will be available, but it's certainly not codified anywhere that the speaker has to be," said Ross Baker, a Rutgers University expert on Congress.

The Associated Press

Magnets help diabetic patients

By VERENA DOBNIK  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A preliminary study suggests there may be something to one popular folk remedy — magnets really might ease pain in some cases.

More research is needed, agree the physician who conducted the small study and an outside observer.

Dr. Michael Weintraub, a neurologist at the New York Medical College in Valhalla, said a group of patients with chronic foot pain reported improvement after wearing pads equipped with low-intensity magnets.

His study in this month's American Journal of Pain Management runs counter to studies that had failed to show any beneficial effect from magnets, which have been used for centuries on various ailments but without scientific proof they actually did any good.

Weintraub began his four-month study in July 1997, using 24 patients with chronic pain caused by diabetes as well as other ailments. The tests were conducted at his

office in Briarcliff Manor and at Phelps Memorial Hospital in Sleepy Hollow. Nineteen patients completed the study.

In the first month, each person was given a pad equipped with magnets for one foot and a nonmagnetized pad for the other foot, and told to wear them 24 hours a day. They were not told which pad was which, and after the first month the pads were switched.

They described their pain levels twice daily using a five-point scale.

By the end of the study, nine of the 10 diabetics reported less pain by an average of a full point. Three of the nine nondiabetics had a similar result.

About 20 million diabetics are subject to painful burning sensations, numbness and tingling in the feet and hands.

Weintraub's study is "a tremendous breakthrough," said Dr. Paul Rosch, president of the American Institute of Stress in Yonkers. Rosch, who has written about the history of magnet therapy, cautioned that more work is needed. "We don't know the mechanism by which this works. It's all trial and error," he said Wednesday.

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FORUM

The re-retransformation of the presidency Going home to Small Town, USA

For the purpose of brevity, this particular argument will be focused upon the here and now, but underneath it all is a mirror of the past.

Late last year, some six weeks ago, the United States House of Representatives passed two of four proposed articles of impeachment regarding the conduct of William Jefferson Clinton, our 42nd United States president.

And even though it is old news now, I cannot explain in mere words how meaningful this action was.

Please understand that when I say meaningful, I am not referring to Clinton, his predecessor or even the next five predecessors. I believe that we have entered into a new political landscape, a perpetual maze without any identifiable exit.

Sure, it was a blow to Clinton's legacy. And some very partisan republicans gave their electoral nemesis a slap in the face (remember they couldn't beat this guy at the polls so they had to fund a \$44 million fishing expedition — something had to be "found"). But, among all the noise there is something going on.

We may well be witnessing the re-retransformation of the presidency. By its action, the congress has gained a relative advantage at the expense of the presidency. For a moment, forget about Bill, Monica and the Cigar.

Think about the larger canvas. Since 1973 the presidency has been redefined in a downward direction. The same office that waged an unconstitutional, potentially illegal war in Asia twice,

Central America once and the Middle East continuously, has been undeniably limited and even marginalized.

Through the War Powers Act, a gradual acceptance by the voters that a split government is the best government and a new paradigm in information and communication dissemination, the presidency has been the real loser. Clinton the man will live on, but the presidency itself (at least, as we know it) may not.

Our constitution was founded upon the concept of divided government, not splintered purposes. The framers of the structures intended for progress to be made by the slow, gradual development of different perspectives.

In deference to the darker side of human nature, certain "firewalls" were put into place. Remember, a government that works too efficiently can enslave its people just as fast as it can deliver the mail. If timely deliberation wasn't a public value and speed was our only real goal, Congress would have been called Progress.

I believe that the folks in Philadelphia (Mr. Madison in particular) wanted the best of both worlds, balanced expertise and majority-driven invention. But what we have now is a bloated, overly developed set of structures that were

never intended to be.

The media is supposed to be the neutral agent, working in the interest of balance and openness. While the courts were designed to be the arbiters of last resort, they have now become the only place, other than the presidency, where decisions can be made and implemented.

The larger canvas has been irreversibly changed by a new world order in communications. We have outgrown our capacity to exercise real governance any longer. The weakening of the presidency is merely more proof that the "system" doesn't want decision-making, period.

For years I have been a fan of the so-called "Chief Clerk" theory of the presidency. Unfortunately, in today's world (i.e. the communications/information paradigm and the new bureaucracy) we need a Chief Decision Maker, if we want decisions to be made by a public agent in a public manner.

If this rationale seems odd or difficult to recognize, think of it this way: the baby-sitter paid to oversee the children has threatened the parents.

The congress, given the authority of oversight, has now threatened the only person truly responsible for the bureaucracy.

The congress has now proven that it will find and then use unrelated issues to force its will upon the presidency.

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BAROMETER COMMENTARY



PAUL EVANS

“ Our constitution was founded upon the concept of divided government, not splintered purposes. The framers of the structures intended for progress to be made by the slow, gradual development of different perspectives. ”

By EUGENE PARK

The Stanford Daily, Stanford University

(U-WIRE) STANFORD, Calif. — I live in Small Town, Calif. There are numerous cities like mine in the United States — for instance, Small Town, Utah; Small Town, Ohio; and Small Town, Conn. A traveler can find Small Towns all across the nation.

If you come from a Small Town, you may be able to empathize with the bland nature of my holiday break. Many of you, however, hail from large metropolitan areas with real culture and real crime. For those urbanites out there, I offer the following description of Small Town, Calif.

Small Town charm:

Everyone has heard that God gave us his only son to die for our sins and that fibbing makes the Baby Jesus cry, but how many people know that bombing abortion clinics is a God-given right?

Baffling religious scholars around the world, the good Christians from Small Town have somehow managed to reconcile homicidal pro-life convictions with the peaceful pro-love tenets of the New Testament. In spite of my pious upbringing, I am not sure whether I prefer the random, senseless nature of urban violence or the premeditated and cold-blooded character of rural "love."

This religious fervor, however, is not the most interesting feature of my home town. On the contrary, the city has the intriguing property of being in the middle of nowhere, yet in between two other cities that someone would actually want to visit. The only reason people stop in Small Town is to fill up their gas tanks.

"I think I stopped there once at the gas station next to a McDonald's — you know the one?" you say vacantly as I tell you about my home town. I nod blankly. You see, I do not know which gas station you are talking about, but I nod anyway. That is my charming Small Town way. If you asked me about a more distinctive landmark — say, the neon billboard for Joe's Cafe with the 30-foot coffee cup — then maybe I would not have to fib and make the Baby Jesus cry.

Small Town entertainment:

While most large cities boast flashy downtown strips strewn with glamorous nightspots, Small Town nightlife centers around a two-square-block area with three coffee houses. The coffee is bad, the clientele barely pubescent, but up-and-coming punk bands love to play at these joints. The local law enforcement frets about these congregations of anti-authoritarian adolescents, but luckily these young hooligans are easily appeased by the miniature golf recreational center down the street.

With a town that offers all this, most locals choose to stay at home. From what I can tell, youths in other cities dress up and go out nightly during the holiday break, engaging in

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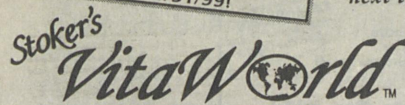
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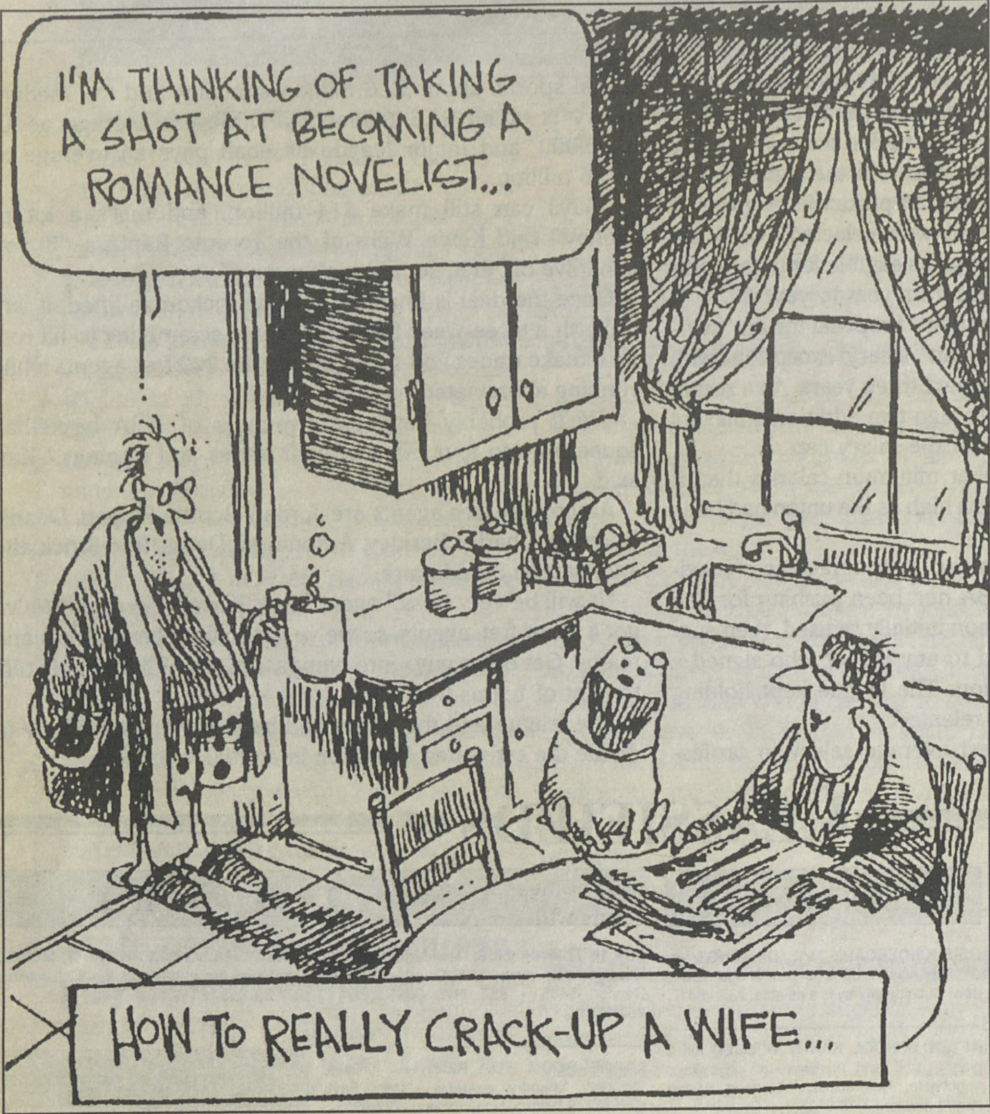
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FORUM



EVANS: Congress seizes power

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Impeachment in this case is nothing short of blackmail.

This action has much less to do with the individual conduct of the president than it does upon his future management of the bureaucracy. If impeachment can be so watered down, necessarily, the power of those "impeaching" expands.

Rome did not fall because of failure on the battlefield. It fell because of a loss of citizen oversight; it fell because the governed forgot to care about the little things. Congress has now re-aligned the power relationship between itself and the presidency; what impact will that ultimately have upon us all?

The real question about Clinton's quandary isn't so much about who did what, to whom, and for what reason, it is instead, "Will our society survive the re-transformation of the presidency?" Can a nation with a complex bureaucracy continue to be governed by electors when the structural

basis for control has been so weakened?

This is a fundamental question about our nation's survival. Henry Hyde and his brood of children with matches didn't understand then, nor probably now, just how big a deal the superimposition of congressional will upon the presidency is. Because if they did and still impeached merely because they had the shot, they were the only traitors thus far involved.

Do not misunderstand my comments. On two previous occasions I have called upon Mr. Clinton to resign; if he had honor, he would have done so long ago. However, he will be held to the power of law soon enough (after his presidency). Must we weaken the institution of the presidency itself, merely because we are impatient? The decision is yours — tell your senators and representatives what you think and why.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Paul Evans, columnist for *The Daily*

VACATION: Giant thermometer

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exhilarating activities and meaningful social interactions. In contrast, the interactions I have typically require nothing more than my pajamas and a remote control. Cable television, along with air conditioning, has turned the agricultural people of a boring desert town into a collection of sedentary homebodies with flat derrieres, low tolerances for heat and overdeveloped thumb muscles.

When I am not lost in the folds of my couch with the remote control lost in the folds of my belly, I do what most Small Town folk do: I eat. Corn Nuts, beef jerky and French bread pizzas are the snacks of choice. Occasionally I will indulge in a microwaveable burrito.

Small Town tourism:

Contrary to popular belief, there are some tourist attractions in my home town that draw in a few outsiders every year. These attractions are rather unique and are a great source of town pride. How many towns include fields and fields of grazing cows? Quite a few. But how many cow-rearing towns lay claim to the world's largest her-

metic thermometer? You should come to my hometown and find out what the local temperature is. Maybe it will be 72 degrees, or maybe it will be 79 degrees — who really knows? The fun never stops with the giant thermometer.

There are other reasons to come to Small Town. Oil barons love to vacation in places like this; oil was discovered a few decades ago in the rapidly decaying area of town now known as Oildale. One of The Bangles and all the members of Korn are from my hometown, so avid fans ought to come visit their old stomping grounds. If nothing else, people should come to Small Town to see all the sweaty, flat-butted freaks running around with big thumbs.

So that is what my home town is like, and I love it. I have plead my case and submit it for your approval. With any luck, I'll see you all in Small Town for spring break.

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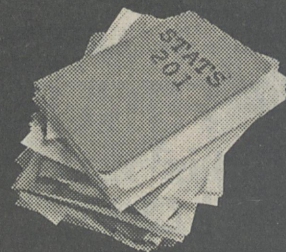
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# SPORTS

## NBA: League raises minimum salaries

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years, there is no limit on the percentage of revenues players can receive.

Also, the agreement includes a ban on marijuana, with all players undergoing drug testing once per season, and tougher player discipline penalties and conduct rules.

The sides also agreed to form a joint committee of three owners and three players to discuss the growth of the league and improving the relations between players and management.

Among other compromises:

— The union agreed to a \$14 million maximum salary for players with 10 years' experience. Players with one to five

years' experience can get a maximum of \$9 million, and players with six to nine years' experience can get \$11 million.

— The union agreed to a three-year rookie scale with teams holding an option for the fourth year and the right of first refusal in the fifth year. First-round draft picks will be grouped into three categories by where they were selected — 1-9, 10-19 and 20-29 — with the highest picks eligible for higher percentage increases in their salaries from year to year.

— The league accepted the union's proposal for an "average" salary exception and "median" salary exception, with both being phased in during the next three years. As a result, every team will have the right to sign two additional players each season, even if they are over the salary cap.

— The league agreed to higher minimum salaries than it had been offering, but not quite as high as the union had been demanding.

No professional sports union had ever agreed to a maximum salary before, but the NBA had been pushing for one throughout the lockout. The union initially refused, then suggested a luxury tax be charged to any owner who signed a player for more than \$15 million. The league kept holding out, and eventually the players relented.

NBA players have the highest average salary in profes-

sional sports, about \$2.6 million annually, and the median salary is about \$1.3 million. NFL players average about \$900,000, and major league baseball pays an average of \$1.45 million.

"Guys can still make \$14 million, and that's a lot of money," said Kevin Willis of the Toronto Raptors. "If you can't live off that, something's wrong."


Once the deal is finalized and the lockout is lifted, it will unleash a three-week frenzy of teams scrambling to fill rosters, make trades and sign some of the 200 free agents while running abbreviated training camps.

"We'll probably have eight months of NBA basketball squeezed into four months, with trades and signings," Karl said.

Among the free agents are Jordan, Scottie Pippen, Dennis Rodman, Charles Barkley, Antonio McDyess, Rod Strickland and Damon Stoudamire.

"It will be very busy," agent Mark Bartelstein said. "We've got a lot of free agents, so we've got to find them homes and teams. Get other guys into camps. I'm sure I'll probably talk to a lot of teams today."

The league and the union had been fighting over how to divide the estimated \$2 billion in annual revenue.




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NEWS

RILEY: Chargers like offensive background

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The Chargers didn't expect a deal by Wednesday night, but one could be finished by Thursday. If he takes the job, Riley would become the Chargers' fourth coach in as many seasons.

Riley hadn't met with all of the assistants as of Wednesday afternoon, Beathard said, and wouldn't be able to meet with some of them until Thursday. Also, Riley's lawyer, Rick Davis, was tied up with something else, stalling contract talks.

“*I feel great about it. There's no negatives in this deal. It's great to be able to talk to all these folks.*”

MIKE RILEY  
OSU HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

Beathard left the impression that Riley might want to bring some of his own guys with him, although he said Riley felt comfortable with Pascale.

But Riley said there are no hangups there, and that he told his Oregon State staff that, obviously, not all of them could come to San Diego if he got the job.

“I think the thing that's been good in this day today is that we've got a lot of cards on the table and all those things have been settled and there are no hangups in that regard in my mind,” Riley said.

He was just as optimistic as he was when he arrived in San Diego on Tuesday.

“I feel great about it. There's no negatives in this deal. It's great to be able to talk to all these folks,” Riley said.

“When you get to the point where you think it's the right guy, you just get nervous about everything and you just want it to get done,” Beathard said.

The Chargers flew in Riley's wife, Dee, from Corvallis, and Beathard planned to go to dinner with the Rileys on Wednesday night.

“It's like recruiting,” Beathard said. “If this helps, it's great.”

Riley's name has surfaced in connection with several vacant coaching positions, both college and professional, since the Beavers' upset of Oregon in the 102nd Civil War. Prior to heading to San Diego for the Chargers interview, Riley called the University of Washington's athletic director Barbara Hedges to decline an interview for their head coaching position.

If he takes the job, Riley would inherit a team that's had three straight non-winning seasons and doesn't have a first-round draft pick until 2001.

The Chargers like Riley's offensive background — he was coach of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers in the pass-happy CFL from

1987-90, and offensive coordinator at Southern Cal from 1993 until taking the Oregon State job in December 1996.

Plus, they think he can develop quarterback Ryan Leaf, who was a bust on the field and a problem off it.

Riley coached the Blue Bombers to two Grey Cup championships in 1988 and 1990, winning CFL coach of the year honors each time.

Beathard and Riley became acquainted when Beathard's son, Jeff, played for Riley's Grey Cup teams in Winnipeg, and later assisted Riley for the San Antonio Riders of the World League of American Football.

Oregon State athletic director Mitch Barnhart called a players-only meeting Wednesday night to discuss the situation.

“We just want to make sure we're all on the same page and we're all talking about the same things,” Barnhart said. “I don't want anyone saying anything that's inappropriate or be negative. I just want to make them understand that it's an Oregon State family, and one way or another — whatever happens here — we'll get through it. We're going to press on.”

While Barnhart did not say he had anyone in mind for a replacement should Riley leave, he is ready to begin looking for one immediately should that occur.

“If something were to go, I'm ready to rock and roll, ready to get after it,” Barnhart said. “We need to find ourselves a coach that wants to finish this project and get our program back where we can be respectable and talk about it on a daily basis.”

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OSU DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

The indecision surrounding Riley's future at OSU comes during a crucial recruiting period. Many of the Beavers' top recruits were scheduled to make an official visit to the campus this weekend, but those visits have been cancelled.

If Riley does not take the Chargers' job, Beathard apparently has other candidates in mind, including San Francisco 49ers' offensive coordinator Marty Mornhinweg, and possibly Tyrone Willingham of Stanford.

The Daily Barometer's Troy Foster and The Associated Press contributed to this article.

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## After 191 days, NBA unlocks its doors, saves season

■ Teams will play about a 50-game schedule beginning the first week of February after players ratify a six-year deal, 179-5

By CHRIS SHERIDAN

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The NBA lockout finally came to an end Wednesday on its 191st day, a nasty and divisive struggle that cost the owners and players hundreds of millions of dollars and scarred a league at the pinnacle of its popularity.

"Everybody lost. We lost three months of the season and we did a disservice to the game, so there are no winners and losers," Charles Barkley said. "There's going to be a lot of damage."

The season will begin the first week of February, with teams playing about 50 games each, some 30 fewer than a regular season.

The agreement was reached just 29 hours before the NBA Board of Governors was to vote on canceling the remainder of the season. It came just before dawn, following an all-night bargaining session at NBA headquarters between commissioner David Stern and union director Billy Hunter.

Each side made significant compromises to close the deal, but the owners clearly walked away with a much better agreement than the old one. The players, for their part, came away with their dignity intact and with more money for the non-superstars.

"I will say that I am elated that we will be playing basketball this season," Stern said.

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DAVID STERN,  
NBA COMMISSIONER

Hours later, the deal was ratified by players in a 179-5 vote after being approved by both negotiating committees. It gives owners the unprecedented concession of a maximum limit on individual salaries and will be in place for six years, with owners having an option for a seventh year.

"Oh, I'm so relieved it's unbelievable," Milwaukee Bucks coach George Karl said. "It's like I let a balloon out of my stomach. The knots are already loosening up in my neck. I get to do what I love to do."

The Board of Governors will vote on the agreement Thursday, and the league said it would not comment until then. The lockout will not officially be lifted until terms of the agreement are formally drawn up — a process that could take 10 days.

Stern, however, spoke to the almost 200 players who had flown in to vote on the owners' latest pro-

posal — a vote that never came.

"He told us Billy was a tough guy, but a good guy, and how glad he was to get it over with and to start playing again," Aaron Williams of the Seattle SuperSonics said.

And now Michael Jordan must decide whether he will retire or return to the Chicago Bulls for a shot at a seventh championship.

"Michael is going to analyze the deal, see what Chicago wants to do and then make an informed decision," agent David Falk said. "I'm not certain what his time frame is."

Under terms of the new agreement, a grandfather clause allows any player to re-sign with his team for 105 percent of his previous salary. That means Jordan, who made about \$33 million last year, could get about \$34.7 million from the Bulls.

No other team can offer him more than \$14 million.

The union agreed to accept 55 percent of about \$2 billion in annual revenue in the fourth, fifth and sixth years of the agreement, according to several sources involved in the talks who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Players would get 57 percent if the league exercises its option for the seventh year. In the first three

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## Beavers looking to put pieces together

■ Beavers looking for the right combination of perimeter shooting and inside post play as they open at home vs. No. 7 UCLA

By TROY FOSTER

The Daily Barometer

With the entire Mike Riley fiasco unfolding, one might have forgotten that the men's basketball team hosts their first Pac-10 home game tonight.

And it's an important game nonetheless.

Before the season began, head coach Eddie Payne repeatedly said his team would be one that improved every game as the season progressed. For the Beavers (6-5 overall, 0-2 Pac-10), tonight could be another step towards validating Payne's claim as they host No. 7 UCLA (10-2, 2-0). Game time is 7:07 p.m. in Gill Coliseum.

In what basketball analysts are calling the toughest conference in the nation top to bottom, the Beavers know their Pac-10 foes will be more quick and more athletic. The coaching staff and players also know they'll have to put the pieces together in terms of hitting their outside shots to open up their post players if they are hoping to overcome that deficiency.

Unfortunately, Oregon State's field goal percentage thus far as a team is .412, good for last place in the Pac-10, and they're having trouble putting points on the board in the first half. The Beavers are also struggling to find a consistent effort from every player, every game.

In their conference opener against Stanford last weekend, this player-to-player inconsistency was very evident. Guard Josh Steinthal had a strong performance with 20 points, but point guard Deaundra Tanner was just 2-for-20 in that 72-56 loss.

Fortunately, Monday night's last-second 54-52 loss to No. 25 Cal showed signs of how Payne envisions his team playing if they are going to win Pac-10 contests. In that game three OSU players — Tanner, Jason Heide and Iyan Walker — each scored in double figures and the Beavers nearly stole the upset.

The Beavers will need to come out with

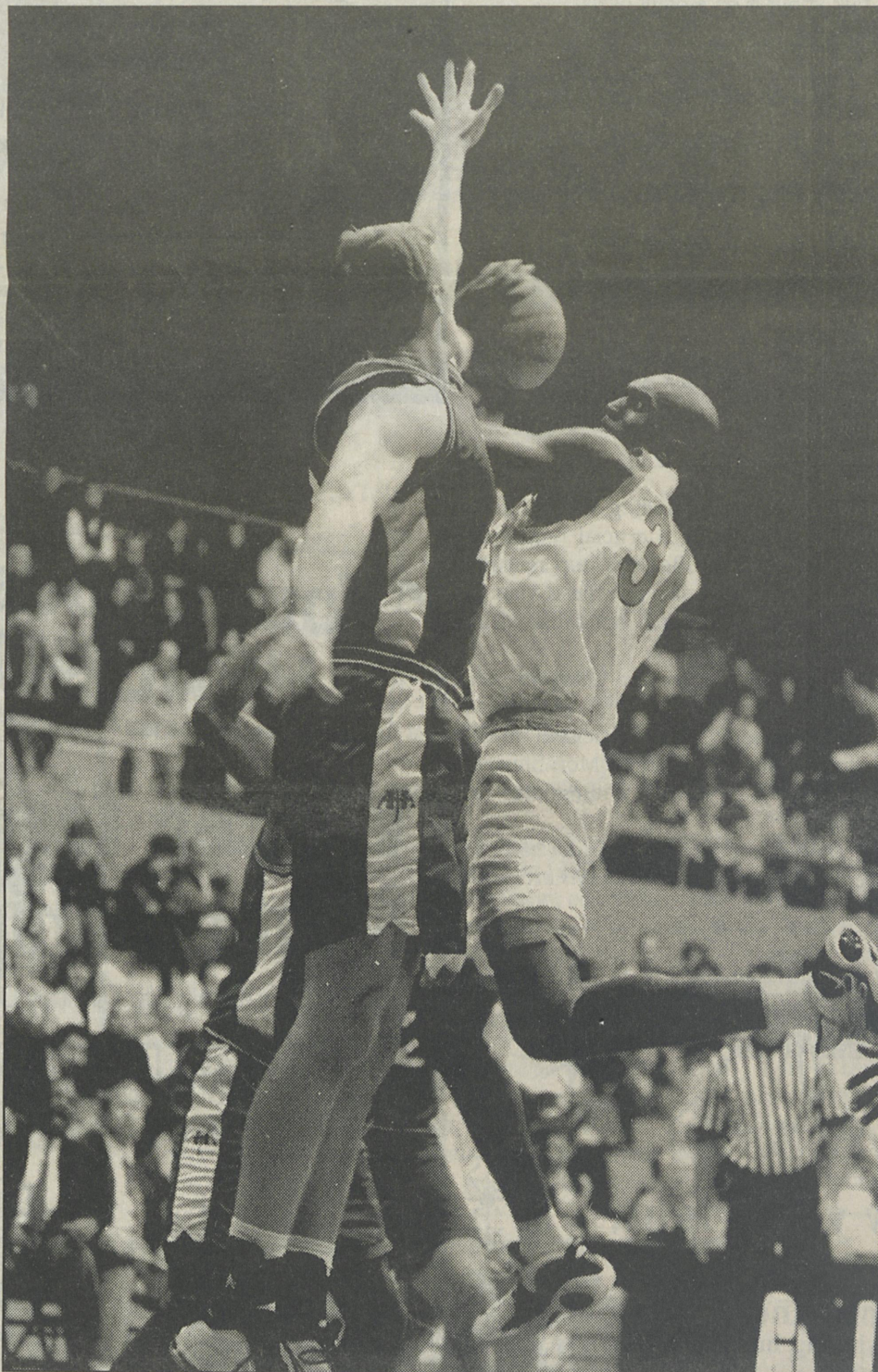


Photo by JOE ELLIS/The Daily Barometer

Junior forward Iyan Walker has played well as of late, but the Beavers are struggling to get a consistent effort from more than one player on a given night.

the same type of consistent effort from more than one player as UCLA appears to be their most formidable opponent to date next to Stanford.

The Bruins are riding an eight-game winning streak after defeating both Arizona 82-75 and Arizona State 88-85 in overtime at home last weekend.

The youthful Bruins are led by sopho-

more guard Baron Davis, who earned Pac-10 player of the week honors for his role in defeating the Arizona schools. Davis, who is on the rebound from ACL surgery on his left knee, is accompanied by second-leading scorer Earl Watson and freshman Jerome Moiso, who leads the Bruins in rebounding and scoring as potent threats to opposition.

## Now it's decision time for Jordan

■ With the lockout over, the NBA ponders whether their biggest star will return

By RICK GANO

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — So, what's it going to be, Michael?

The world's greatest basketball player had promised that once the lockout ended he'd announce whether he will retire or return to the NBA.

Well, it's over — and now the real suspense begins.

Michael Jordan could keep everyone guessing for another couple of weeks while he enjoys more time on a sun-splashed golf course and considers his options.

He might, as his buddy Charles Barkley predicted last month, walk away from the game he has ruled. A second retirement, this one for good.

He could, as his brother suggested in November, be enticed by a short season and return for a chance to lead the Chicago Bulls to their seventh championship of the '90s.

Even his agent isn't sure.

"I have no gut feeling on it," David Falk said Wednesday from New York as players — Jordan not among them — gathered to approve the new contract.

"Michael is going to analyze the deal, see what Chicago wants to do and then make an informed decision. I'm not certain what his time frame is."

Less than two months shy of his 36th birthday, Jordan is a free agent who can sign with any team. But none could pay him as much as the Bulls.

Under the agreement, a grandfather clause allows any player to re-sign with his team for 105 percent of his previous salary. That means Jordan, who made about \$33 million last year, could get about \$34.7 million from the Bulls.

Team officials wouldn't comment Wednesday because the lockout doesn't officially end until the agreement is approved by the Board of Governors, which is to vote Thursday.

Jordan's return would figure to be a boost for a league that has now turned off many fans.

"The league could survive without him but it would really be a setback," said Bulls center Bill Wennington, also a free agent. "People love to watch him play. I love to watch him play."