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Elections kick off today with on-line voting

■ Officials hope "VoteNet" program will increase voter turnout numbers

By KATIE PESZNECKER

The Daily Barometer

Voting has never been this easy.

Elections begin today and will be held on-line through a program called "VoteNet," created by OSU WebWorks and a team headed up by OSU student Adam Yarnold. Students can vote on the World Wide Web at <votenet.orst.edu> or check the Oregon State University homepage for the "vote" link.

"If you want access, being able to vote from almost anywhere where you can find a computer definitely increases access for students to voice who they want to represent them," Associated Students of Oregon State University President Mike Caudle said. "I'm anxious to see how much it will increase voter participation. I think people are excited, and I hope that it turns out well."

Web voting starts today at 10 a.m. and ends at 6 p.m. on March 4. Or, students can go to polling sites between today and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. Computers will be available at the polling sites, located in the Memorial Union concourse, McNary Central and Marketplace West.

Student leaders and general elections officials hope this new on-line voting will increase voter turnout, which in the past has peaked at somewhere around 12 percent and fluttered as low as four percent in this year's primaries.

The primary elections on Feb. 18 saw a mere four percent of students come out to vote. Caudle said this low rate is typical of the

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Sisterhood sweeps up streets



Photo by JOE ELLIS/The Daily Barometer

Alpha Chi Omega members Meghann Locke (center) and Claudia Ordonez were out with the rest of their sorority yesterday evening participating in an annual philanthropy to clean up Monroe Street.

Alpha Chi Omega cleans up Monroe

The month started on a clean note yesterday.

The Alpha Chi Omega Sorority devoted a portion of their evening last night to cleaning up Monroe Street as part of Hera Day, which is recognized nationally by all Alpha Chi Omega chapters.

Hera Day is observed annually on March 1 by the sorority as a day to give service to the community. The kind of community service is left open to each individual chapter, so the Alpha Chi Omega sorority at Oregon State University has traditionally cleaned up Monroe street.

The sorority spent about 30 minutes walking from 26th and Monroe to 14th and Monroe picking up various items of litter such

as cigarette butts, wrappers and trash.

"We do it rain or shine," said vice president of fraternity relations and event organizer Lisa Thomson. "One year we did it when it was pouring down rain."

On this day, though, the weather cooperated with the cleanup. "A lot of people were honking at us and supporting us," Thomson said.

She also explained some of the reasoning behind choosing to cleanup Monroe street.

"It's a highly trafficked area," Thomson said. "We walk by there a lot, so we'd like to clean it up."

— Michael Thomas Jr.

Makiko Matsumoto: Giving women a voice

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Graduate student Makiko Matsumoto left an engineering job in Japan to further her education in interdisciplinary studies at OSU.



The OSU grad student says she came from Japan in search of more adventure and less sexism

By LEIGH FELESKY

The Daily Barometer

Being expected to serve coffee at her company party was a spoonful more than Makiko Matsumoto could swallow, especially when the qualification that made this engineer a hostess was that she is a woman. This inequality, says a smiling Matsumoto, is what made her become a feminist.

Matsumoto finished her degree in applied physics in 1991 at Miyazaki University in Miyazaki, Japan. She then began working as an engineer at Anrisu Electrical Company.

In search of more adventure and less sexism, Matsumoto quit her job last February and came to Corvallis to do a masters of arts in interdisciplinary studies degree. Now in her third term, her three areas of study are women's studies, sociology and speech communication.

One of the reasons Matsumoto

decided to leave Japan to study in the U.S. is to learn about racism. "In Japan I was susceptible to sexism but not racism," explains Matsumoto. "In the U.S. I have to identify as Japanese."

In doing so, Matsumoto says she has learned that racism is mostly unconscious; people rarely realize they are behaving differently toward people of color than they are toward white people.

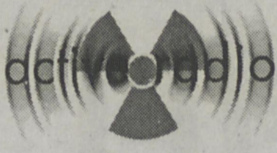
When asked if she has anything to share from her experiences, Matsumoto pauses and then suggests, "I would like white American guys to think about their behavior and to examine if they act differently toward white women than toward women of color."

Matsumoto has also explored race consciousness among OSU Japanese students. For her class paper "Race, Class, Gender, and Sexuality

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NEWS

Seeking office: Often a temptation, but never taken

By **DEB RIECHMANN**
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Run, Florence, run. And what about Edith, Eleanor or Jackie?

Hillary Rodham Clinton isn't the only presidential wife ever urged to run for political office.

In the 1920s there were calls to draft President Warren Harding's widow, Florence, for governor of Ohio and President Woodrow Wilson's widow, Edith, for vice president. Some Democrats wanted Eleanor Roosevelt to be the party's vice presidential nominee in 1948. In 1976, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, then a book editor in New York, briefly flirted with running for a Senate seat.

These four first ladies — all mentioned as candidates after they left the White House — declined the overtures. If Mrs. Clinton actually seeks the Senate seat being vacated by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, she'd be the only first lady to ever run for elective office. She's spending two days in New York City on Wednesday and Thursday, perhaps to test the senatorial waters.

"The difference with Hillary is that she is recognized and respected as a political figure in her own right," says Carl Sferrazza Anthony, a historian of first ladies. "Even though the other four were politically minded, I think they were being drafted as a bridge to their husbands' memory, a symbol of their husbands' legacy."

The political lineage of presidents runs deeper with sons. Sons of several presidents went on to be congressmen, senators, even presidents themselves. On the state level, President Bush's son, Jeb, currently is governor of Florida. Another son, George W. Bush, is governor of Texas and is considering a bid for the GOP presidential nomination in 2000.

So far, Mrs. Clinton has said little about the "Draft Hillary" campaign. She says only that she's giving it "careful

thought," yet she's getting plenty of political advice.

Former New York Mayor Ed Koch says, "Run." Former New York congresswoman Geraldine Ferraro advises Mrs. Clinton to wait, run later for a Senate seat from Illinois and then be the Democrats' presidential candidate in 2008. Former New York Gov. Mario Cuomo wants to see her run, but also suggests she could duck elective office and still be a political force. "Be Eleanor Roosevelt," he advised.

Mrs. Roosevelt is one of Mrs. Clinton's personal heroes. She has told of conducting imaginary talks with Mrs. Roosevelt about contemporary problems and the role of the first lady in the 1990s.

The two were born in different centuries, yet have much in common, says Myra Gutin, a historian of first ladies at Rider University in New Jersey. "Both are politically minded. Both are widely respected, but also greatly criticized," Ms. Gutin says.

Mrs. Clinton, the only first lady to chair a presidential commission, was criticized for the secrecy in which her Task Force on Health Reform operated. Mrs. Roosevelt was the only first lady to hold a government position in her husband's administration. She resigned as assistant director of civilian defense after coming under fire.

After she left the White House, Mrs. Roosevelt, revered for her work on social issues, was appointed U.S. delegate to the newly formed United Nations. Then in 1948, she squelched an attempt to draft her as Harry Truman's running mate in 1948, preferring to stay at the United Nations and continue her role as a Democratic Party elder.

Since the nation's earliest days — more than a century before women were even allowed to vote — the country has had first ladies who were perhaps as politically astute as their husbands. Mrs. Harding spoke out on issues affecting women and veterans. Mrs. Wilson was called the "secret president" because she handled many presidential duties after her husband's disabling stroke.

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through Japanese Students' Consciousness," she surveyed 10 OSU students: six females and four males. The findings for the men and women are different. Japanese women, says Matsumoto when discussing the results of her paper, are more sensitive to racism than Japanese men. As a result, the women feel more comfortable among other people of color. Matsumoto suggests one reason for this may be that women in general are socialized to be more sensitive.

Sharing experiences is important to Matsumoto, especially in regards to information about American and Asian relations. "Some Americans are not always aware what their government is doing in the world," she says. "I think this is in part because the media is so American-orientated and also because students don't have a lot of extra time to keep up with world affairs."

She is particularly interested in how the U.S. military currently stationed in Japan effects Japanese peoples' daily lives. There are three negative effects of their presence, according to Matsumoto: emotional disturbance, because the military's presence means the Japanese people are facing war every day; physical violence, because the soldiers often commit violence against women, sometimes in the form of rape; and spiritual disturbance, because the military occupies Japanese burial land, which keeps people from their ancestors. This is a brief summary of this issue. For more information on this topic and others, Matsumoto will be doing a presentation titled "The U.S. Military and Violence Against Women" at the Women's Center tomorrow, March 3, from noon to 1 p.m.

Besides discussing her experiences with the community, Matsumoto also adds an interesting point of view to her classes. Director of Women Studies Dr. Susan Shaw says, "Makiko has a real sense of adventure. She is willing to think through all kinds of complex issues." Shaw describes Makiko as incisive, witty and funny. "Makiko came here as a feminist, which is refreshing in the sense that it reminds us [American women] that we didn't start feminism and export it to the world. It's already out there," says Shaw.

As far as who is better off, American women or Japanese women, Matsumoto is not sure. "American women have more freedom, but it is risky. In America if something happens, it is your fault, it is your responsibility," explains Matsumoto. "In Japan there are people to help you, it is more community-orientated."

When she finishes her graduate work, Matsumoto doesn't

care if she stays in the U.S. or goes back to Japan. "I just want to be where I can do my work," she says. The main theme of that work is to carry out research on women of color as it pertains to issues of race, class, gender and sexuality. As shown in her past projects, Matsumoto is particularly interested in how relations between countries can affect the status of Asian women.

This is evident in Matsumoto's thesis in progress on Japanese women who married American soldiers after World War II. Matsumoto is interested in, and empathizes with, these women's personal experiences. She feels she can relate to some of their hardships because she too has felt culture shock and racism in the U.S. By making a video of their experiences, Matsumoto hopes to create understanding and awareness.

Actually, Matsumoto's favorite method of activism is making videos. "I am curious and can't decide on one issue to address," she says, laughing. "Videos are a good way to be able to cover any topic."

While still working in Japan, Matsumoto traveled to the Philippines and made a video about how the Japanese Offshore Development Assistance negatively affected Filipino women. The video was sold to women's centers and schools throughout Asia.

Matsumoto also made a video based on a Korean woman's experience as a comfort woman (sexual slave) to Japanese soldiers. This video, which has an English voice-over, has been shown in OSU classes.

Furthermore, in search of a broad perspective, Matsumoto attended the UN World Conference of Women in Beijing in 1995. She has mixed feelings about the event.

"It was very positive because I met a lot of people from around the world and they empowered me. It was negative because it was white-dominated and English-dominated."

Language is another reason Matsumoto came to study in the U.S. "Even if you have a lot of interesting things to say," she explains, "you are neglected if you can't use English to communicate."

After explaining her impressive resume of activism and volunteer work, Matsumoto says modestly, "It sounds good, but I really am doing this for myself. I want things to be better for me, for an Asian woman."

But it's no accident that by making a better world for herself, Makiko Matsumoto gives other women a voice along the way.

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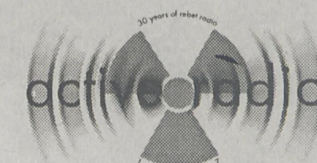


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NEWS

Pediatricians group: No significant health benefits from circumcision

Centuries-long tradition may finally come to an end as new evidence emerges

By ERIC FIDLER

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The nation's most influential group of pediatricians has concluded that the benefits of circumcising newborns aren't significant enough to recommend it as a routine procedure.

The American Academy of Pediatrics stopped short of advising against circumcision. But the group recommended for the first time Monday that newborns get pain relief for it.

"The weight of the evidence would have to be significant for the academy to recommend an elective surgical procedure on every newborn male, and the evidence is not sufficient for us to make such a recommendation," said Dr. Carole Lannon, chairwoman of the task force that wrote the new policy statement for the academy, which has 55,000 members.

Over the last 15 years or so, a grass-roots anti-circumcision movement and debate in the medical community have stirred new doubt and discussion about the procedure, with opponents saying it leaves long-term psychological scars and diminishes sexual pleasure.

"I think what that means is the medical debate is over," said Ronald Goldman, director of the Circumcision Resource Center, an anti-circumcision organization. "I think circumcision is now an ethical issue. It challenges us to empathize with newborn infants."

Just how many newborns are circumcised annually is unclear. Federal figures show that nearly two-thirds of American boys born in 1995 were circumcised, but the pediatric academy said those statistics were taken from too small a sample to be reliable.

The new policy statement, outlined in a report in the March issue of Pediatrics, the academy's journal, says parents should take into account cultural and religious traditions as well as the advice of a pediatrician when considering circumcision.

In its last policy statement on the issue, in 1989, the academy said circumcision has potential medical benefits as well as risks and should be carefully explained to parents.

After reviewing scientific evidence, the task force did find some medical benefits of circumcision:

- Boys who have not been circumcised are as much as 12 times more likely to get urinary tract infections than those who have been circumcised. Uncircumcised boys had a 1-in-100 chance of developing such an infection in their first year of life; for circumcised boys the chance was 1 in 1,000.

- Some evidence shows penile cancer is more prevalent among uncircumcised males. But the disease is so rare, striking just 1 in 100,000 American males a year, that the researchers found any added risk insignificant.

The academy's report said pain relief is recommended because studies have shown that infants circumcised without anesthesia experience pain and bodily stress.

The task force reviewed three forms of pain relief. One involves applying a local anesthetic in a cream about an hour before the procedure. The two others involve injecting anesthetics into the penis. One of those, a subcutaneous ring block, was deemed the most effective.

Rabbi Gerald Chirnomas of Boonton, N.J., who estimates he has performed 12,000 circumcisions, said that anesthesia is unnecessary and that injections are more painful than the circumcision. He allows an infant to suck a little wine from his finger, then gives him some sugar water from a bottle after the circumcision for pain relief.

He also said the policy statement should not affect observant Jews.

"Jewish people don't do circumcision because it's a healthy thing," he said. "We do it because it's a covenantal ritual ordained by the Bible."

Rwandan rebels kidnap three Americans

By HENRY WASSWA

The Associated Press

KAMPALA, Uganda — Rwandan rebels killed three people and kidnapped 13 foreign tourists — including three Americans — from a campground in southwestern Uganda, officials said Monday.

The Congo-based rebels attacked the Buhoma camping site on the northern edge of the Bwindi National Park, known as the Impenetrable Forest, late Sunday. The camp is the main starting point for seeing the 320 rare mountain gorillas that remain along the border mountain's slopes.

Unconfirmed reports from private tour operators said one tourist and two Ugandans were killed, one of them an

employee of the state-owned Uganda Wildlife Authority. Details on the slain tourist were not known.

"Three Americans, 10 other foreigners and an unknown number of Ugandan nationals were taken captive by the band which identified themselves as Rwandan Hutus," State Department spokesman James Foley said in Washington.

"We are in the process of confirming the identify of those missing U.S. citizens so that we can notify immediately their families," he added.

Diplomatic sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said France's deputy ambassador to Uganda, Anne Peltier, managed to escape along with six other tourists shortly after the abduction.

Six tourists remain missing.

Among those who escaped was Elizabeth Garland, 29, an anthropology student and Fulbright Fellow at the University of Chicago. She spoke to her father, James Garland, on Monday to tell him she was safe.

"She said she was awakened by gunfire all around her and apparently a raid of 100 to 150 Hutu rebels came in armed and started taking hostages," James Garland said. "She said they were looking specifically for Americans and would release hostages if they were not American or British."

The American Embassy found out about the attack and sent a small plane to a landing strip and evacuated her and some others, the elder Garland said. His daughter is now safe in the capital, Kampala.

ELECTIONS: Students will vote for all offices beginning today

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primaries, and Paul Evans, ASOSU advocate for students, added that bad weather and low publicity didn't do much to raise numbers either.

"This is a happy week for me," Caudle enthused. "I'm excited because we talked about last spring improving access to ASOSU. Paul and some other ASOSU staffers have worked really hard."

To register on VoteNet, students need their term registration pin number and their social security number.

About a month of campaigning has preceded the gener-

al elections. Students will vote for ASOSU president and vice president; MU president; MU vice president; senior class president; and college graduate and undergraduate senators.

Two tickets for ASOSU president and vice president will appear on the general ballot: Melanie Spraggins and Joshua Stroud; and Cory VanAlstine and Justin Roach.

The two candidates for MU president are Anthony Ramos and Kat Stinson, and Tirza Jensen and Daniel Mohle are competing for MU vice president.

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John Dominic Crossan is coming! Are you ready to rumble?

John Dominic Crossan is coming to town! John Dominic Crossan is coming to town!

Some of you might get excited about that, in which case you need read no further. You will be at the LaSells Stewart Center at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, because you won't want to miss John Dominic Crossan. For you, class dismissed. See you there.

Now, for the rest of you: It has been my privilege to read papers students have written about their struggles with religion and to hear students talk about their struggles with religion. It has been my privilege to be dazzled by the preachers on the Quad, some of whom have been among OSU's most brilliant athletes, and it has always struck me that it takes more guts to stand out on the Quad and preach than it takes to be clobbered by some enormously strong person from elsewhere in the Pac-10, in front of thousands of screaming Beaver fans.

The trouble is, by now you are old enough to rethink your faith, if you ever had one, especially if you are of the Western traditions, which most of you are. That's the demographics of OSU.

Rethinking commonly means disillusionment and denying. It is like when you heard the truth about the Tooth Fairy (and I know that *The Barometer* is read by families with children, so I hope they aren't reading this — Mommy, what IS the truth about the Tooth Fairy?). Nice fable, but I've lost all my baby teeth, collected my coins and don't need that story any more. Jesus didn't walk on water, either, who needs it?

Scholars have done their scholarly thing to investigate your responses. I will mention four.

First, you dismiss the whole enterprise as superstitious nonsense, or you bag the whole thing as stuffed-shirt oppression, what we used to call party-pooing. No fun for the faithful, who needs it? Gimme a brew.

Second, you take a look around and gasp at the variety of satanic influences, such as those folks in the first category, and you dig deeper into your familiar tradition in its familiar ways, and you cling for dear life. Gimme a bible.

A variation of #2, above, is you who never had a religious tradition, and, buffeted by the arguments and confusion of undergraduate life, you find that the security of the conservative traditions is a welcome anchor in the storm and onslaught. Gimme a hand.

Third, your brain is blown away by the

variety of ways of being a religious person that you encounter at OSU. Jews and Christians of every sort, Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, Shintoists, Wiccans, Primal celebrations, ethnic variations — and you are aware that your own tradition can't claim to be serving up the whole feast. So you switch from one to another, zazen last week, eucharist this week, drumming next week and gimme a crystal.

There is a fourth response postulated: That you do leave behind the childish things, you reject sexist patriarchy and all its works, but rather than slide horizontally into a more exotic spiritual practice, you grow and develop in your own. Yeah, such growth does involve becoming a universalist of sorts (drumming and crystals and zen, oh my), but again — let us not confuse growth with lateral dabbling. You who like references, read Fowler's "Stages of Faith."

So where can you exercise intellectual rigor without abandoning spiritual growth? And vice versa?

Fortunately, this IS OSU, and hearing world-class speakers lingers among the shining memories of your college years. As a Land-Grant State University, we are hardly a hotbed of theological or spiritual fervor, but neither are we totally sterile. We get to hear good folks.

SO: If you are not a Christian, it is good for you to educate yourself about the scholarly Christian tradition, as presented by a person who is committed to that tradition, but who is not what they call a "Christian Triumphant" (= everybody else is going to hell).

If you are a Christian, ditto. Unless you plan to stay exactly where you are and never grow spiritually, you need to listen, and listen, and listen. With discernment, of course, but listen.

If your only experience with Christians is the Quad preachers and the Dorm Evangelizers, you're turned off — at least, that's what you tell me. But if that is the only version of religion and Christianity that you ever know, you will remain ignorant of the vast, deep, rigorous, scholarly work being done by people who are impressively, reeeally good at it.

Such a person is headed our way. John Dominic Crossan, widely regarded as the premier Jesus scholar in the world today, award-winning author, TV and radio personality, and never, ever boring, is coming to town. His topic? "Jesus and the Lost Years of Christianity." Thursday, March 4, 7:30 pm, LaSells Stewart Center.

Plan to ask questions. And it's OK to wear your crystals.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Judy Ringle, columnist for *The Daily Barometer*.

When one thinks of an angry mob, the smart money is on the bet that the mental image being conjured is a less than positive one. Most likely it involves pitch-covered sticks engulfed in flame floating above a sea of faces so horribly twisted with anger and ignorance that they look as though they'd just tried their first sip of Pepsi One.

It's not our fault that this lame stereotype of Dr. Frankenstein's downfall fills our minds like paranoia at an Internal Affairs Officers' Convention. Throughout our lives we've been presented with nothing but negative representations of the angry mob as witch hunters, lynch mob participants, inner-city opportunists and, in general, the projected spawn of "Forrest Gump" and "Nell."

The forefathers of our nation knew the value of a good, old-fashioned angry mob, however, as was evidenced by the tireless efforts of pamphleteers like Thomas Payne to whip the common man into a frenzy of economic and political resentment of the English. Far be it from me to second-guess such successful methods, especially when our nation is in such dire need of radical change.

Who among us would object at the thought of a frothy-mouthed pack of ten-year-olds descending on the lunch lady and

pelting her with wiener wraps and cratered sausage patties while screaming complaints of Freudian manipulation?

What sane individual could indict an incensed crowd of Hot Dog On A Stick employees for binding and gagging their managers and dressing them in those dignity-free muscle shirts and phallus hats that they themselves are forced to don on a daily basis?

What caring human being possessed with even half a heart could cry foul play at the sight of hordes of fanatical teenage girls storming the pegboard-lined walls of Kaboodles and demanding compensation for the countless dollars wasted on Lip Smackers and multi-colored hair-ties?

I think we can all agree that there are numerous parties in need of a serious angry mob or two or three or 50. In this age of giant corporate and government entities making detached, uninformed and sometimes just plain malicious decisions that affect our lives for the worse, wouldn't it be nice to see just a slight twinge of fear in the ruling class' eyes?

If there's anybody out there reading this article who would like to gain some valuable hands-on experience and possibly even one to three credits, contact me through *The Daily Barometer* for information regarding my exciting new program in mass hysteria. It will be a field-trip based

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BAROMETER COMMENTARY



JUDY RINGLE

BAROMETER COMMENTARY



JACOB TENPAS

America's shadow government

When I say the word money I might mean food, clothing or shelter. Money is the lifeblood of today's society; without it we can't survive alone. If I need money to survive, then upon whom do I depend to manage that money, the money that is putting food on my plate?

The federal government manages the economy and looks out for its subjects' well-being ... right? WRONG — ever since 1933, America's lifeblood has been in the hands of another manager. The Republic of the United States was replaced with the Corporation of the United States. The corporation that has been our government's shadowy partner is the banking community, and they have been controlling America's livelihood like a headless snake in the grass for over six decades. It sounds crazy, but our history shows this to be true. This snake's story starts with a European banker named Nathan Rothschild in the early 1800s.

"Permit me to issue and control the money of a nation, and I care not who makes the laws!" This observation by Nathan Rothschild ran parallel with his ruthless banking tactics. During the birth of our nation, Nathan Rothschild controlled England's central bank (the Bank of England), but Nathan had his eye on the virgin banking territory of America. His only problem was that our nation's original constitution placed the control of the nation's currency directly in the hands of Congress with no provisions to delegate. This didn't stop the Rothschild banking dynasty.

The method in which the Rothschild Bank

influenced the creation of a central banking system (the Federal Reserve) is a complex story. One of the primary draftsmen of the Federal Reserve Act, Paul Warburg, married into the Rothschild dynasty, and the other key player, Sen. Nelson Aldrich, was father-in-law of John D. Rockefeller, the infamous tycoon

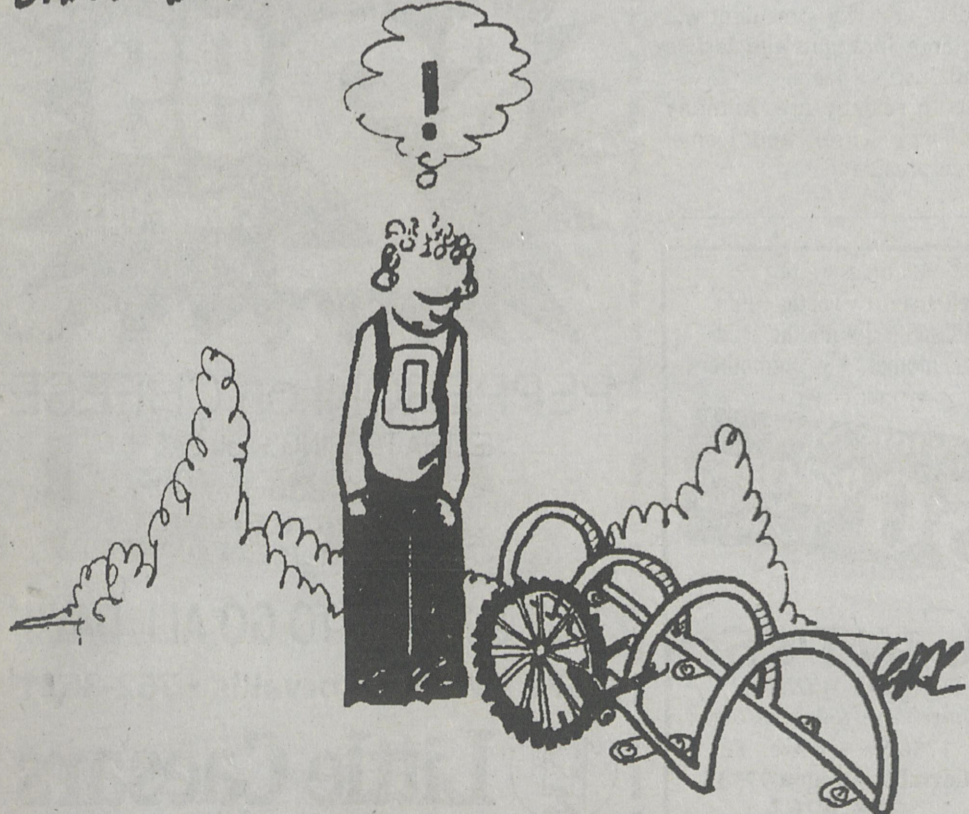
who would have never survived without Rothschild's support during his early years. The complex weave of banking networking reminds me a lot of the lineages in the Old Testament, but throughout it all, the key players in this story had an ultimate goal. This goal was to establish a central banking

system in America under the control of the Bank of England and the Rothschild dynasty.

On December 23, 1913, Warburg and Aldrich's Federal Reserve Bill (written in a secret meeting on Jekyll Island, Georgia) passed Congress when a majority of legislators were home for Christmas. The Corporation of America was born, and privately held banks had control of the United States monetary policies — the lifeblood of our lives. Woodrow Wilson later observed after signing the bill, "I have unwittingly ruined my country. A great industrial nation controlled by a system of credit. We have come to be one of the worst ruled, one of the most completely controlled and dominated

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FORUM

LETTERS

Callahan running for two positions

To the Editor:

Hello again, this is Mark Callahan and I am running for the positions of undergraduate senator for the College of Business and for a 1-year position on the student fees committee. As stated in a previous Op-Ed, I am committed to represent the students of OSU and the College of Business in a position of leadership, even though I was prevented from pursuing the ASOSU president position in the primary election.

I encourage all of you who read this letter to vote on March 2, 3, and 4 in the general election to have your voice heard. I have decided to run for these two positions based on my unquenchable motivation and determination to succeed and represent. I feel that I can be an effective representative of the students in the College of Business as your undergraduate senator, and just as effective a representative to the students of OSU as a member on the student fees committee.

My background includes membership on the educational activities, student conduct and student activities and academics committees. I also attend all undergraduate senate meetings to stay informed on student issues, as a member of the gallery.

Mark Callahan,
Junior in business administration

TENPAS: Watch out

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class in which we will visit and annihilate the various institutions that are currently causing me discomfort, annoyance or just plain rashes.

Our first target will be the production team behind the string of box office monsters: "Star Gate," "Independence Day" and "Godzilla." The bus will drop us off outside the home of director Roland Emmerich, where we will plow through the million-dollar fake palm trees that decorate his front yard and subdue the wily mogul until such time as he can explain to us why "Godzilla," with jaws big enough to consume an entire helicopter, chokes on a medium-sized luxury car containing the film's protagonists.

After we have thoroughly looted his house of the ill-gotten riches it surely contains, we will move on to producer Dean Devlin's house, where we will rip out one hair on his body for every minute of Matthew Broderick's excruciating screen time. For the squeamish we will have a group activity in the back yard where we burn Jeff Goldblum in effigy.

This, of course, is just one example of the greater good that could be served by intellectuals banding together into fiery flows of human magma and sweeping across our stupefied continent. I know it's just an unattainable fantasy, but I imagine a land in which irate feminists band together with Asians, the worshippers of Hinduism and any other group whose traditions Madonna has savagely pilfered to chase down the material girl like the dog she is and strip her of her pretenses.

A world like the Middle Ages or the reconstructed South in which the mob rules is truly a scary thought, and the last thing I'm advocating is the coagulation of the flow of hatred into a big ugly scab. But in a world where the mandatory stasis of higher brain function seems to be the norm of cultural consumption, it's time for those of us with some standards to grab a pitch fork, scream in ugly cacophony, march to the lords' castles and get Medieval on their asses.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Jacob TenPas, columnist and anarchist for *The Daily Barometer*. He can be contacted at your local prison. Just fooling. Although, by the time you read this, who knows?

City important to VanAlstine & Roach

To the Editor:

This letter seeks support for the ASOSU candidate team of Cory VanAlstine and Justin Roach. During last fall's campaign, Justin worked with state and local candidates to help raise student political awareness and to increase voter registration. He also encouraged candidates to become aware of student issues and assisted in creating forums in which we could listen to student concerns. This year, Justin played a role in my transition as the Corvallis City Council liaison to ASOSU. Just prior to his campaign, Justin discussed with me student issues that he wanted to raise during the ASOSU campaign.

The above examples of relationship building and local government engagement lead me to believe that Cory and Justin understand the importance of further OSU/city of Corvallis dialogue. These are important team assets. I ask you to consider and support the team of Cory and Justin for ASOSU president and vice president.

Charles C. Tomlinson,
City councilor, Ward 4

WASSON: Bankers run country

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governments in the civilized world — no longer a government by free opinion, no longer a government by conviction and the vote of the majority, but a government by the opinion and duress of a small group of dominant men."

The next move of this newly formed travesty of freedom was to eliminate the gold standard and create a dependency on the newly formed central bank. The Federal Reserve Act allowed the Fed to issue paper money without the backing of gold, and that is exactly what they did. In the six years preceding the Crash of 1929, the Fed issued reserve notes which inflated the money supply by 62 percent. Simple market speculation was encouraged, and on August 7, 1929, America entered the Great Depression. The bankers had the government right where they wanted them. In 1933, President Roosevelt issued an executive order requiring all citizens to give up all gold in their possession and give it to a member of the Federal Reserve system.

The opinions expressed in this column are those of Jake Wasson, columnist for *The Daily Barometer*.

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OSU Scuba Club, 5:00 pm, MU 106. General meeting, everyone welcome. Spring break and term event/trip planning. Come join us!
Heckart Lodge, 7:30 pm, Heckart Lodge. Informational meeting to check out a loop as a living group.
College of Liberal Arts Student Council, 6:00 pm. Student involvement Lounge. Interested in student government? Come get involved with the CLA student council. All students in the college welcome.
Marketing Club, 7:00 pm, Bexell 103. Officer elections! Come compete. Free pizza and pop. All interested in getting involved with the club are welcome.
Biology Club, 5:30 pm, 2035 Cordley. End of term Pizza party - chance to socialize and finalize events for spring term.
European Student Association, 8:30 pm, Martin Luther King Junior Room, MU. Maybe beverages will be provided.
Lutheran Campus Ministry, 11:30 am-1:00 pm, 211 NW 23rd St. Have lunch with fellow students, faculty and staff. Come and go as your schedule permits. The food is delicious and the hospitality is warm.
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OSU Pistol Club, 7:00-9:00 pm, MacAlexander Fieldhouse. Pistol Club practice. New members welcome to shoot. Go to Indoor Target Range at SE Corner MacAlexander fieldhouse.
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Events

OSU Department of Music, 7:30 pm, Downtown Beanyer, The OSU Jazz Combos to perform wide array of music.
Career Services, 12:00-6:00 pm, CH2M Hill Alumni Center. 80+ employers will be on hand to talk with students and alumni about full-time, part-time and internship opportunities with their organization. Dress for success & bring resume!
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WEDNESDAY, MAR. 3

Meetings

United Campus Ministry, 12:00-1:00 pm, 101 NW 23rd St, Westminster House. University Learning Community - Brown Bag lunch and discussion on Parker Palmer's book "Courage to Teach" - Join us!
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Lutheran Campus Ministry, 5:30 pm, 211 NW 23rd St. Join us for a brief, informal worship service followed by supper and conversation.

Speakers

University Counseling & Psychological Services, 5:00-6:30 pm, MU Council Rm. Test taking tips.
Career Services, 3:30 pm, 8KAD. Orientation to career services - learn about the services available & how to register to participate in the on-campus recruiting & resume matching services. Required for all students & alumni who want to participate. Bring resume to submit at registration.
International Degree Program & Undergraduate Environmental Sciences Program, 12:00-12:55 pm, Crop Science 122. International Environmental Issues Seminar: "Global Warming: Background and possible impacts on natural resources". Ron Neilson, Department of Botany and Plant Pathology.

Events

OSUGSA, 7:30 pm, Bomb's Away. All faculty, staff, and students interested in talking about gerontology are welcome.
OSU Ballroom Dance Club, 8:00-10:00 pm, Women's Bldg, 116. Wednesday Night Practice, 8-10 pm. Women's Bldg, 116. Free to everyone! Donations are accepted.
Silent Lunch, 12:00-1:00 pm, MU 204. Sign Language Social Hour. Brown Bags Welcome - All skill levels.

SPORTS

Davis hints at departure for NBA

■ *UCLA wins its final home game, but Davis admits it could be his last*

By BRENT BOYD

Daily Bruin

(U-WIRE) LOS ANGELES, Calif. — It was either a wave good-bye, or a salute to victory.

But whatever it was, there was one thing that remains certain. When Baron Davis, with his right arm raised toward the rafters, left the court for the final time in the last home game of the season, he left as a winner and left the crowd with some great lasting images — whether they be for just this season or for his collegiate career.

Rumors have abounded that the sophomore guard may declare for the NBA draft at the end of this season, cutting short his eligibility by two seasons.

If he does decide to leave, this was definitely the proper exit. In UCLA's 79-62 win over Washington, Davis was virtually a one-man highlight reel. Though Davis finished with 14 points and six assists, the box score seemed to show that he didn't have his best game as of late — Davis has averaged nearly 20 points per game in the last month. But it would be difficult to convince the Huskies, the 11,465 in Pauley Pavilion, or anyone watching Saturday night's SportsCenter of that.

His performance was so exhilarating that on his most talked-about dunk, he was called for a charge ... and no one cared. Davis was so dominating that a student section, which had been chanting "Two more years" at the beginning of the game, realized that this was probably asking just a little bit too much and chanted "One more year" at the end.

And his performance was so impressive that the only thing reporters wanted to talk about at the end of the game was whether or not this would be the last time they would interview Davis in the Pauley Pavilion locker room.

"Honestly, I haven't decided anything yet,"

he said, answering the question for the umpteenth time. "I'll make the decision after the season."

"I'll sit down with friends, coaches, relatives and figure out what's best for me, what's best for Baron Davis."

No doubt it would have been best for the Huskies' defenders if he would have left after last season.

Six minutes into the game, Davis took the ball on the left side of the key, drove through it and dunked over six-foot-six-inch forward Thalo Green. And though Davis was called for a foul, the momentum helped spur UCLA on a 15-6 run and an early 25-13 lead.

Then, with two minutes remaining and the game firmly in grasp, Davis really got hot.

In a move that is as difficult to properly describe as it is to defend — well, Davis told exactly what he did:

"I just brought the ball straight back behind me, and threw it around to myself."

Then dunked ... all in one motion.

It was a move that left the crowd speechless and defender Bryan Brown looking helpless.

Two possessions later, Davis did a tomahawk slam dunk during which he was so high that the rim left a bruise midway up his forearm.

"If this was my last game, it was definitely a great one to go out on," Davis said in what may be the understatement of the year.

And whether he says it or not, his actions may just prove louder than words. It definitely looked like his last home game. On his way out of the game, he walked to mid-court then held up his fist to the crowd and received hugs from the entire team and coaching staff. Whether it was an act or for pure sentimental reasons — well, that will be seen in about a month.

In any case, Davis' performance and the questions surrounding his future overshadowed tremendous showings by both the team and individuals.

The Daily Bruin is the student newspaper at the University of California-Los Angeles.

LEE: Played last home game ever

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Lee chose to come to the smallest arena in the conference to back up one of the best guards in the conference.

"I just remember coming in here and being a freshman," he said. He was just "watching Brevin and waiting for my time."

While his time certainly came long ago, Saturday

night didn't hurt in reminding everyone that Lee is ready for his final NCAA tournament.

"It was a fitting performance for Art Lee," said Stanford head coach Mike Montgomery. "I think the whole thing worked out, if you could write a script."

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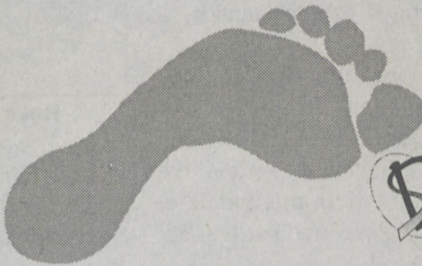
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Beavers snap five-game skid with win over San Jose State

■ *Freshman pitcher Craig Hays captures his first collegiate win*

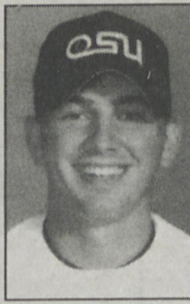
The Daily Barometer

SAN JOSE — The Oregon State baseball team can breathe a sigh of relief as they salvaged a win from their five-game road swing Monday at Municipal Stadium vs. San Jose State.

After being swept in a four-game series against Santa Clara, the Beavers edged the Spartans by a score of 3-2.

San Jose State sophomore right-hander Joey Baker's threw a complete-game five-hitter and struck out 10 Beavers but was on the receiving end of defeat as OSU freshman Craig Hays captured the win and B.R. Cook earned a save. In the middle of the game, Baker retired 14 consecutive batters, but it wasn't enough.

Oregon State's Troy Shader hit a solo homer in



Hays

the third inning, and the Beavers (8-9) added two runs in the fourth en route to the win to snap a five-game losing streak.

San Jose State (7-9-1) out-hit OSU 9-5 but stranded 11 runners on base. With the bases loaded and one out in the third inning, Dan Winterberg popped up to short, and the Beavers caught Junior Ruiz off-guard and converted a double play to

end the inning. For the season, the Spartans are batting 1-for-20 with the bases loaded.

Ryan Brucker went 2-for-4, including a triple to lead off the bottom half of the first inning for the Spartans. He eventually scored on a Todd Duncan

single. In three games as the leadoff batter, Brucker has gone 7-for-12. SJSU lost three games over the weekend to Washington State. They had solid pitching but only scored three runs in the series.

Oregon State will return to action for its official home opener Saturday, March 6, against Gonzaga. The game was originally slated to be at the grand opening of OSU's new Goss Stadium at Coleman Field but has been moved to Keizer due to construction delays.

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Stanford's Lee back on top of the game

■ *Star point guard will play his last regular season game for the Cardinal in Corvallis*

By BRIAN EULE

The Stanford Daily

(U-WIRE) STANFORD, Calif. — Under the "Arthur Lee File," buried in this year's basketball yearbook, is the heading and response, "My parents were right when they told me: college would go by quickly."

And for Lee, it has.

Saturday night, King Arthur's court was in session for one last time in Maples Pavilion, as the No. 6 Cardinal rolled by the No. 7 Arizona Wildcats 98-83 in the final home game of the season.

For Lee, a career-high 29-point performance — 50 percent from the field, 50 percent from behind the three-point line and a perfect 12 of 12 from the free-throw line — was a good way to end a career in Maples, among thousands of fans chanting his name.

It's good to be the king. The man who came to Stanford almost four years ago, intent to challenge point guard Brevin Knight every day in practice, has brought several things to Palo Alto with him. Last year, it was a trip to the Final Four with his "Miracle Minute" win against Rhode Island in the NCAA tournament. Saturday night, it was Stanford's first-ever Pacific-10 Conference title.

"This is the best feeling ever," Lee said after spending a good half hour running around Maples with Stanford's student section. "To do it on Senior Night, I can't even describe it with words. We talked about it all season long."

Furthermore, Lee got to go up against long-time rival Jason Terry and prove just whose house it was — Lee's house.

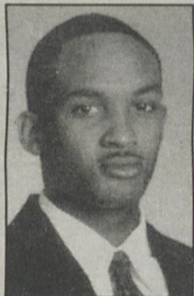
Just about a month ago, Terry took the Cardinal for a ride in the McKale Center, defeating Stanford 78-76 with a last-second shot and a 29-point performance of his own.

But he made one mistake. He let Lee have the last laugh.

"We were thinking about payback all week long," Lee said. "They really gave it to us down there. So we had someone in [Terry's] face all night so it wouldn't be easy for him."

But as one poked fun as the other shot free throws, and as the roles reversed moments later, it was clear that these two were more than rivals — they were friends.

Despite the fact that Terry played high school ball in Seattle, Wash., and Lee played in Southern California, Lee said he was constantly aware of Terry and his status as the two made their decisions of where to go to college.



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Imported passion



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OSU Rugby Club team member Jesse Malory snags the ball away from an Oregon player in a Civil War match earlier this year. The Beavers won the close battle with the Ducks on a very muddy playing field.

OSU rugby finds a new pastime

■ *Club team has its sights set on the Final Four and a national championship*

By TROY FOSTER

The Daily Barometer

For the 40 or so members of the Oregon State Men's Rugby Club team, the sport they now dedicate themselves to is somewhat of an adopted pastime.

"Most people who show up to play for us have never played before or seen the game," said Aaron Suchy of the team that is mostly comprised of former high school football players.

Although new to most men who try out for the team, rugby is far from new at Oregon State or around the world, for that matter. The university has had the club program has for nearly 35 years, according to Suchy.

The team is also fortunate to have Mark Webber, a Philomath resident who's been the volunteer coach for 19 years.

"The main reason I do it is because it's a great bunch of kids," Webber said.

Webber himself got his first experiences with the sport — which is perceived as

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awkward through the eyes of the average American — right here at Oregon State as an undergrad.

"I took a PE class in spring of my sophomore year," Webber said. "It has evolved into something a lot more serious from the time I played to now when I'm coaching."

Serious? You better believe it.

This year the Beavers are 7-0 in the Pacific Northwest Rugby Union and only need to win their final game this weekend against Central Washington to clinch the division title and be on their way to the ultimate goal.

"The goal is to get to the Final Four," Webber said.

Though a lofty goal, it's definitely not unrealistic for Oregon State.

"This could be the best team I've ever had," Webber said. "This team has great leadership and team speed. They're pretty senior-dominant, and experience is what this is all about. The advantage is we've been playing a long time together."

For the players, it's all about having fun and keeping in shape. Most never thought they'd ever end up devoting themselves to a sport such as rugby.

"No," was the simple answer Jake

“Most people who show up to play for us have never played before or seen the game.”

AARON SUCHY

Roberts gave when asked if he'd ever played rugby before. "I just had a lot of friends that were into it."

And along the lines of fun, the team will spend its spring break in Ireland. Through fundraising efforts and money from their own pockets, Oregon State will challenge five Irish colleges as a warmup before the upcoming playoffs.

"Those guys grow up playing rugby, and for them it's a national pastime," Suchy said.

If Oregon State wins this weekend, which is very likely, UC-Davis will be its first playoff hurdle on the path to nationals. UC-Davis is no pushover, however.

"You don't know what you're going to get with the competition from California," Webber said.