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GSS committee considers separation from ASOSU

By KATHRYN BAHN
of the Daily Barometer

The Graduate Student Senate decided Wednesday to set up a committee to look into separating from ASOSU to make GSS a self-governing group.

"We are very inefficient if we stay in ASOSU," said John Lemmon, ASOSU senator for GSS, who brought up the idea.

There is not an official break from ASOSU now, just a concern in GSS about the distribution of student fees.

The committee will be made up of people who will meet with Jo Anne Trow, vice president of student affairs, who offered to discuss student fees concerns with interested graduate students.

"The underlying concern," said Ramesh Krishnamurthy, GSS president, "is that GSS needs a fair share of incidental fees." Incidental fees are the money paid for student activities.

Robin Derringer, ASOSU student advocate (policy advisor), said that this issue has been around for years, and has come up every year.

"There are two pieces to it," she said. "One is graduate students are receiving less than their proportional fair share, and the other is that fees are not going to activities that are

priorities for graduate students."

"It would make life easier for graduate students by getting a better use of fees," said Rob Fleming-Jones, GSS Vice President. Graduate students make up one-sixth of OSU's population, but only get one-tenth of the funds. Most of the rest goes toward undergraduate activities.

"We are planning to write an open editorial concerning all of this," Krishnamurthy said.

Rick Hangartner, a graduate student, encouraged the GSS to get involved to get things changed. "Advisors said you can't complain until you get involved," he said. If more members were present at ASOSU meetings, their concerns will be heard more.

The issue of health options for graduate students was also discussed at the meeting.

One member's concern was that his health coverage was 40 times less than it was two years ago, but the same price as the current ASOSU policy. He said that the national health coverage policies have not gone up 40 times.

There are also no options for catastrophic coverage in the university's health insurance plan. A public Graduate Forum Series will be held on Dec. 3. An invited panel of administrators will be able to answer questions on any concern and students can talk directly with them.

Nobel Laureate speaks on prospects for peace

By JEANIE DONNELLY
of the Daily Barometer

Former president of Costa Rica and 1987 Nobel Peace Prize winner Oscar Arias Sanchez spoke Wednesday about achieving world peace. "No nation or group of nations can advance peaceful solutions to contemporary problems until the problems of the Third World are effectively resolved," Arias said.

His speech was OSU's 11th annual Ava Helen Pauling Lecture for World Peace. His talk was entitled, "Opportunities for Peace: Crafting the First Demilitarized Zone in the World."

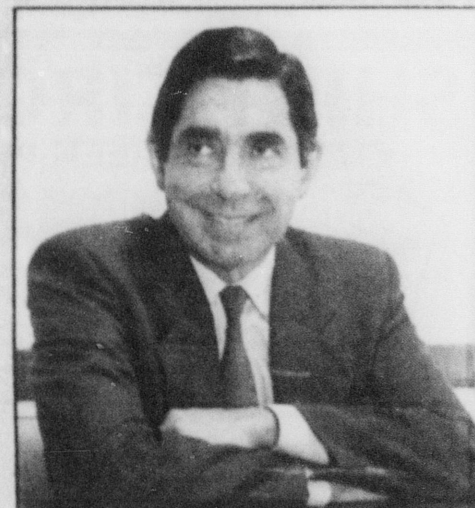
Arias spoke about the need to restructure governmental powers, since the Cold War is over.

"I want to speak with you about one of my greatest concerns: the necessity that human beings abandon, once and for all, the culture of violence," Arias said.

"Just as the end of the Cold War did not immunize its protagonists from uncertainty, if we now postpone a search for the solutions of our problems, we will contaminate the entire planet with unrest and extreme poverty."

"At this moment, millions of people can barely dream of the most basic conditions for peace, food, education and health. They are far from even pretending to seek access to institutions of higher learning as this one. Their greatest goal would be to attain living conditions that would be intolerable to any of

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Oscar Arias Sanchez

Bike ring suspected in rising thefts

Stealing bikes called big business and 1992 could set bike theft record

By MICHAEL KELLEY
of the Daily Barometer

Fall term is bike theft season, and this year is no different. Indications from law enforcement agencies, bike shop owners and campus security point to a banner year for the thieves.

Mike Fetterley, crime prevention officer with Public Safety Security Services, estimated that at least 15 bicycles have been stolen on campus in the last three weeks.

"We generally have an increase this time of year due to new students coming in, who don't lock their bicycles up and do not think it is necessary to do so," Fetterley said.

As of the end of September, 101 bikes have been reported stolen on campus; only eight of them have been recovered. In 1991, a total of 126 bikes were reported stolen on campus and only 16 were recovered, according to information supplied by Public Safety Security Services.

Fetterley said the additional 15 bikes reported stolen in the last three weeks could put the number of bikes stolen on campus this year over last year's total.

The statistics supplied by the Public Safety Security Services do not reflect the number of bikes stolen in the Corvallis area.

Information supplied by the Corvallis Police Department shows that from 1989-91, 1,607 bicycles were stolen in the Corvallis. These figures do not include the OSU campus or the Benton County Sheriff's Office. The Corvallis Police recovered and returned 265 of these bicycles to their owners.

Fetterley said he would not be surprised if there is an organized ring of bike thieves in the Corvallis area.

"I would not doubt there is a bike ring operating in the Corvallis area — it's big business," Fetterley said. "You can get up to \$200 for a real good bike and there is very little overhead involved."

Fetterley said that about a year and a half ago, a big bike ring operating out of Portland was busted after hitting four or five colleges in the state.

Fetterley is not the only one who thinks there might be a bike-theft ring working in the area.

Enrique Semadenni, owner of Corvallis Cyclery, said, "From what I have heard, there are at least three bikes stolen in Corvallis each day."

"We had a \$1,500 bike stolen from our store, the guy was trying it out and he just kept going."

"Bike thefts are a big business in Corvallis," Semadenni said.

He said the average bike costs between \$350 and \$400 and he wouldn't be surprised if there is a bike theft ring in the area.

Jim Dagata, manager of Bike 'N' Hike, said there are many bike thefts and "somebody is doing a lot of them."

"I wouldn't be surprised if there is a bike ring in town;



ERIK RASMUSSEN/The Daily Barometer

Law enforcement agencies, campus security and bike shop owners believe there is an organized ring of bike thieves in the Corvallis area.

someone in town has a special tool to cut cables that are very hard to cut," Dagata said.

Ken Osher, chief deputy for the Benton County District Attorney's office, said he heard of a group of people who lived by Avery Park that was gathering bicycles and taking them out of town. He said this happened about six months ago.

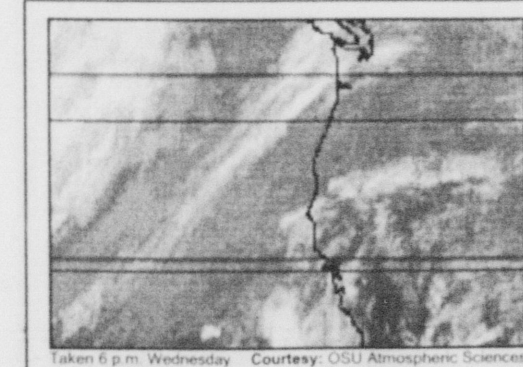
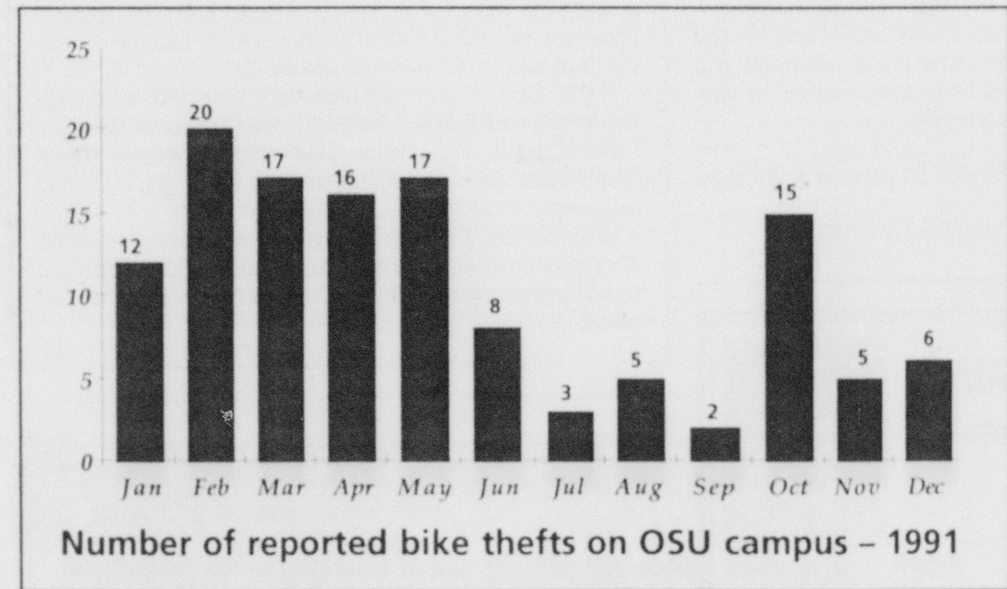
"I have heard of other people coming down in vans," Osher said. "People make big money, it's an organized and fruitful enterprise."

Osher said it seems like bike thefts are a cyclical offense and he has noticed an increase in them in the last month.

He said his office does prosecute bike thieves, and he considers it a serious offense because it is so prevalent.

He said the bike thieves that are caught are usually charged with second-degree theft, a class A misdemeanor punishable by a \$1,000 fine and a year in jail.

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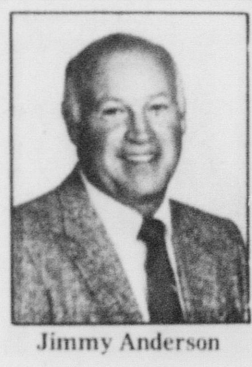
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On the inside

OSU helps 'God Squad'
A report used by the "God Squad" in its recent timber sales decision was published by Oregon State forestry researchers. The report was intended to help direct decisions made by the committee. See story, page 3.

Big Dance or bust
The OSU men's basketball team hosted its annual media day Wednesday as it prepares to begin practice for the 1992-93 basketball season. Coach Anderson said his team's strength is its senior leadership. See story, page 7.



Jimmy Anderson

Dance set for Friday to benefit Food Share

Sackett Hall will be holding a Halloween dance on Friday. Admission will be \$2, or \$1 with a costume or a donation of a can of food.

The dance will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight in Sackett. The food will benefit Linn Benton Food Share.

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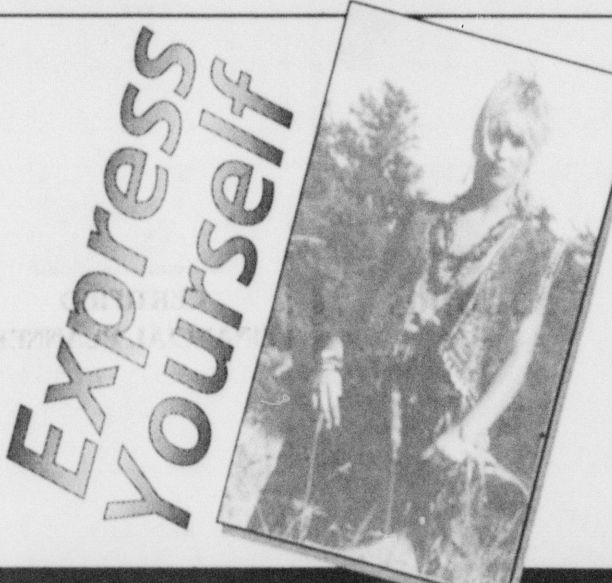
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Convicted drunken drivers to meet families of dead or maimed victims

Associated Press

SPOKANE — Spokane County judges next month will begin ordering people convicted of drunken driving to meet with relatives of people killed or maimed in alcohol-related accidents.

During a recent demonstration, lawyers and judges were brought to tears by still-grieving parents who held framed photographs of children mowed down by drunken drivers.

"We're hoping to make a difference," said volunteer Linda Thompson. "I hope these people will realize this isn't TV. These are real pictures of loved ones who are gone. Maybe by hearing these stories, they will think about what they are doing."

Thompson, 39, who serves as coordinator of the panels, lost her 3-year-old son in an alcohol-related crash six years ago. The program offers a positive outlet for victims who want to prevent other senseless deaths and injuries, she said.

"We hope to reach first- or second-time abusers and snap them out of it," said Ginger West, president of the Greater Spokane Substance Abuse Council.

The first monthly victims panel will be held next month at a union hall.

First-time drunken drivers now are jailed for a day, required to pay at least \$400 in fines and court costs and compelled to undergo alcohol-abuse evaluation. They may also have their licenses suspended for 90 days.

But beginning Nov. 19, offenders will be ordered to listen to real-life horror stories from people whose lives have been altered by drunken drivers.

"They'll see how many lives are destroyed because of someone's bad decision," agreed District Court Judge Sam Cozza, a strong proponent of the new program.

Motorists caught driving while intoxicated will pay \$25 to attend the two-hour panel, first watching a video of emotion-choked victims. After that, several victims will take turns addressing the audience.

There should be no shortage of participants.

In 1991, 1,437 drunken drivers were convicted in Spokane County. That number is expected to rise this year, court officials said.

Similar victims panels have been operating for years in Seattle, Olympia and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Spokane has been slow to follow suit, but West said it took time to develop a consensus among members of a steering committee.

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— SAM COZZA, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

Police chief: Many hate crimes not reported; homosexual victims fear identification

Associated Press

SALEM — Many hate crimes against homosexuals aren't reported because victims fear being publicly identified, Portland Police Chief Tom Potter told a legislative panel Monday.

Potter said he might ask the Legislature to exempt victims' names from public records laws to encourage more crime reporting.

The Senate Interim Judiciary Committee heard from police authorities on trends in incidents of hate crimes. Those generally are crimes motivated by prejudice based on race, color, national origin, religion or sexual orientation.

Potter told lawmakers when his agency set up a "homophobic hot line" by which people could informally give reports about crimes against homosexuals, the line received more calls than regular police lines.

People reporting sexual orientation crimes fear being victimized twice by possibly losing a job or other repercussions if they are identified as being gay, he said.

"I think you would see reports skyrocket" if victims were

assured their names couldn't be publicly disclosed, Potter said.

Potter and other police officials told the committee the Measure 9 anti-homosexual proposition on next Tuesday's general election ballot has raised anxiety levels.

"It has created a real climate of fear in our community," he said. "I have really felt a tremendous increase in tension."

Ron Louie, Hillsboro police chief, said police agencies for several years have predicted more crime based on racial and ethnic prejudice as non-white populations increase.

He noted some hate groups are painting with a broad brush.

The graffiti on a Hillsboro church that recently was vandalized attacked gays, Hispanics, Jews and Catholics, he said.

Salem police Lt. Gary Michel said his agency is concerned about an apparent increase in the number of racist skinheads in the city.

It's often difficult for authorities to learn much about organizing efforts by such groups, Michel said.

Stan Robson, chief deputy in the Benton County sheriff's office, said his agency also had observed more skinhead activity.

Artists can register now for holiday craft sale

Artists and craftspeople interested in selling their wares may sign up now for space in the 12th Annual Craft Center Holiday Marketplace Sale by registering at the OSU Craft Center.

The sale will be Dec. 2 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Craft Center studios.

All work must be handmade, original and finely crafted, according to a press release. All interested artists and craftspeople must submit sample works to be judged. Judging will be each Thursday in October and November, beginning Oct. 29. Any quantity of work will be accepted.

There is no entry fee, and the sales commission is 20 percent from Craft Center members and 25 percent from non-members.

Those interested may call the Craft Center at 737-2937.

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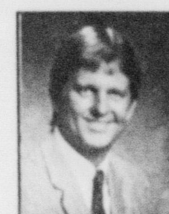
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POLICE BEAT

THEFT II Oct. 28. Handlebars, shifters, brake levers, a head set and a gel seat were taken from a bicycle parked at the north bike racks at Bexell Hall. The items were taken between 10:30 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. on Oct. 27 and are valued at \$280.

THEFT II Oct. 28. Handlebars, shifters and levers, valued at \$120, were taken from a bicycle parked at the west bike racks at Snell Hall. The items were taken between 9:30 p.m. on Oct. 27 and 1:25 a.m. on Oct. 28.

DUII Oct. 28. A subject was stopped at Kings Boulevard and Jackson Avenue for an improper turn and failure to maintain lane. The subject, whose Blood Alcohol Content was .14, was transported to jail, cited and released.

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Illinois cuts proposal would cripple sports

College Press Service

SPRINGFIELD, ILL. — The Illinois Board of Higher Education has proposed a series of deep budget cuts for the state's 12 public universities, including closing a law school, an agricultural department and curtailing master's and doctorate programs.

The proposals, which were presented to the board on Oct. 6, would save between \$80 million and \$105 million over three years, said Ross Hodel, a deputy director for the board.

Included in the proposal is the cutting of all state money to intercollegiate athletic programs. The money that goes to support athletics would be moved to academics, Hodel said.

The cuts would hurt non-revenue generating sports, which would have to find

alternative funding. It could impact revenue-generating sports such as basketball and football, but not as much because of the amount of money these programs generate, officials said.

Illinois currently provides \$1.6 billion in state funding for the schools, which have an enrollment of about 201,000 students. Under the proposals, 190 programs would be cut, including 80 master's degrees and 36 doctoral programs.

Also recommended for closing are the Northern Illinois University Law school, the Illinois State University Agriculture Department and the school of social work at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

"There has obviously been a negative reaction. (University) Presidents are self-protective but realize the cuts have to be made," Hodel said.

Report aids 'God Squad'

OSU guides decision on Endangered Species Act

By JEFF ERICKSON

of the Daily Barometer

A report used by the "God Squad" in its recent timber sales decision was published by OSU forestry researchers. The report was intended to help direct decisions made by the committee.

The Endangered Species Committee ruled this spring to exempt 13 of 44 timber sales requested by the Bureau of Land Management from the Endangered Species Act. Environmentalists claimed the exemptions could endanger survival of the spotted owl.

"There has been a lot of controversy over the ruling by the Endangered Species Committee," said Brian Greber, associate professor of forest resources.

He said many Oregonians do not understand the decision-making process used by the committee and the reasoning involved. This report is intended to explain some of the process.

Court injunctions against the timber sales

render the God Squad decision moot. The injunctions may eventually be lifted.

Timber industry leaders claimed that the blocked timber sales resulting from the Endangered Species Act would harm the timber industry.

Phil Hess, regional forester for Boise Cascade Wood Products Division said a balance must be found between the environment and the community. One side cannot be valued more than the other if a stable economy is the goal.

Oregon is currently in a mild recession and it is bad economic policy to halt the leading industry in the state, Hess said.

He said the timber industry creates jobs for Oregonians. "Typically 9-12 jobs are created per million board foot harvested. This number includes both the direct and indirect jobs."

"The process created by the Endangered Species Act is not good but simply not adequate. The Endangered Species Act needs a good overhaul to establish a good forestry policy."

Last year, many Boise Cascade paper and lumber mills were forced to cut summer student positions. These positions were intended to assist college students in earning money for school. Hess said this program was cut because of budget problems.

OSP offers tips to prevent theft

By MICHAEL KELLEY

of the Daily Barometer

Bicycle safety is a serious concern at OSU. To assist you, the Oregon State Police on campus have outlined pertinent information:

- Lock your bike securely, back your bike into the racks and lock the rear wheel and frame. Make it as difficult as you can for someone to take your bike.

- Know the brand name, model number or name, color and serial number.

- If there is no serial number on the bike, use an engraver to put your driver's license number on it. Engraving is available at Security Services and the Corvallis Police Department, free

of charge.

- Register your bicycle at the Public Safety Building, 747 S.W. 26th St. Registration stores your bicycle's information in a computer database where it will be available if your bike is stolen.

- Applications for bicycle permits are available from Security Services on request. Permits are effective for the time the registrant is affiliated with OSU. Permits are non-transferable and there is no fee for the permit. Bicycle permits must be affixed to, and clearly displayed on, the seat tube just below the seat, with the permit numbers facing forward. Permits that are stolen, defaced, or lost should be promptly reported to Security Services and a replacement permit obtained.

- If a registered bicycle is sold or disposed of and another bicycle is obtained, the new bicycle may be registered at Security Services.

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us," Arias said.

Arias said drug trafficking and environmental abuse can be linked to Third World poverty.

"The drug traffic problem is linked to the debt problem. In the most indebted countries of South America, thousands of poor people dedicate themselves to the cultivation of coca leaves as soon as governmental austerity programs condemn them to unemployment.

"It is now generally accepted that poverty is indeed the greatest polluter. To survive, poor people are forced to destroy their forests and other natural resources."

Arias said a solution to poverty can be found in reallocating money used for arms and the military.

"It is not an exaggeration to state that the cost of the arms race would have, in the last few decades, been sufficient to eliminate all the world's poverty."

"This would imply that developed countries need to do what we in Latin America have done. The most essential thing for us to do is demilitarize, because we cannot pretend to spend less in education and health care," Arias said in an interview Wednesday.

"We need a new global partnership for sustainable development, but this will not be possible if the poorest countries must continue to use most of their export earnings to service their debt," Arias said.

Arias, 51, received his Nobel Peace Prize for drafting a visionary peace plan for Central America and orchestrating the Guatemala Accord. The 1986 accord, which included the leaders of Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua paved the way for a cease-fire between the Contras and the Sandinistas.

The OSU peace lectureship was established in 1982 to honor the late Ava Helen Pauling, an OSU graduate and wife of Linus Pauling, OSU alumnus and the only person to win two unshared Nobel Prizes. For more than 40 years, Ava Pauling carried out her public work by serving in the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the American Civil Liberties Union, and Women Strike for Peace.

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Opinion

Editorial

Triple-trailer ban doesn't help Ore.

As it grows closer to election day, there are still many choices people need to make about the issues they will vote on. As with many of the issues included on the ballot, the results of Ballot Measure 4 are unknown until after it passes or fails. But Measure 4 has some serious consequences that must be considered before the election.

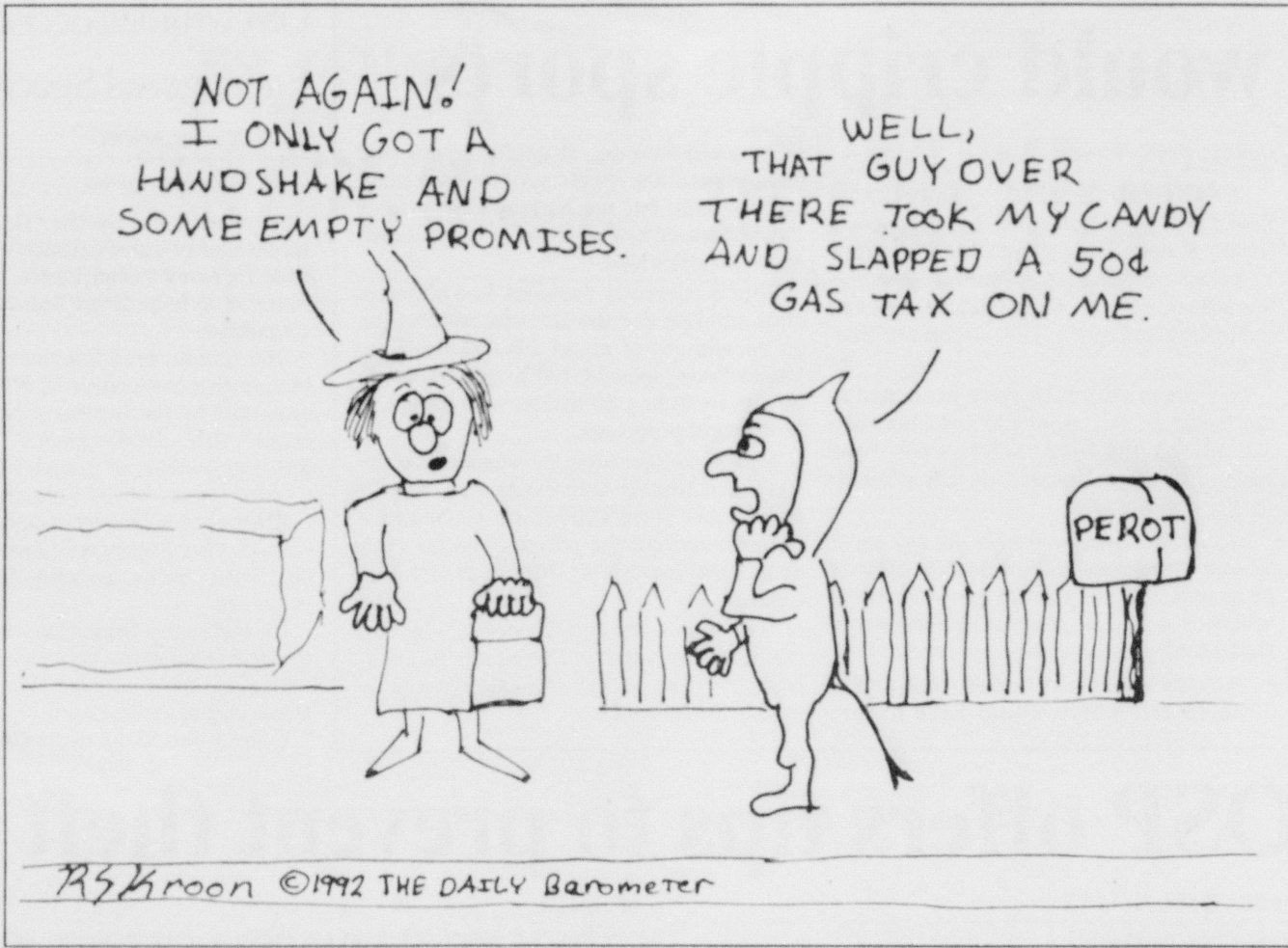
Banning triple-trailer trucks on Oregon freeways would hurt a lot of people. Many business owners who use triple-trailer trucks see the ban as a direct attack on their ability to operate efficiently. Dismantling these trucks means increased costs of converting and adding more regular trucks as well as higher transportation costs. The higher costs could put quite a few commercial truck and other business owners out of operation.

Adding to this increased cost is the idea of safety. Proponents of Measure 4 see triple-trailer trucks as a menace to the roads and other drivers. However, with the dismantling of these 4,900 Oregon triple-trailer trucks will come a large increase in the number of regular trucks on the roads. Some companies estimate that more than 2,000 trucks will appear on the road — in addition to the 4,900 replacing the lost triple-trailers. To people scared by the trucks, Measure 4 will mean more trucks on the already crowded Oregon freeways.

The increased number of trucks will just add to the pollution these trucks spit out. Oregon is a beautiful place that certainly doesn't need more smog along its freeways, especially Interstate 5.

If triple-trailer trucks are a concern, consider what banning them would do. If the idea of 4,900 triple-trailer trucks climbing up hills scares you, just imagine what 7,000 more double-trailer trucks, lost jobs, bankrupt businesses and more pollution filling the Oregon freeways would do to Oregon.

Vote no on Ballot Measure 4.



Morals found lacking in today's world

By Kent Rasmussen

This is not a political op-ed. Although the subject has political implications, I am not lobbying for your vote. I ask you to consider what I say with an open mind, rather than label me however you might.

It has occurred to me that, if the editorial letters are any indication of people's thoughts, people seem to have forgotten some-

thing fundamental to humanity. Morals. Yes, believe it or not, we all have them, and we all use them. In this land, we have people who have strict moral standards, some which don't allow dancing, drinking coffee, or swimming co-ed. Others have moral standards, just as significant to them, that permit them to have sex with whoever or whatever they find attractive, kill whoever they want, or live life fulfilling whatever desires drive them at the time. Of course, these are extremes, and most people fall somewhere in the middle. There are people, for instance, that abhor killing, but feel sex should be as free as consenting adults allow. I think if you consider this, you'll find you have standards, however loose or strict, on most issues you've confronted.

Op - Ed

One might wonder just what morals are, where we got them, and just how they became so diverse. Some say they are a learned response, things that are culturally defined. I suggest to you that if morals are this subjective, then there is no rationale for demanding that killers stop killing, or that rapists stop raping. We cry out against injustice in foreign countries, but who are we to tell them what is just? So what if they want to kill each other over land scarred by war? I realize that there are many rationales behind laws against murder and rape, but I think the most fundamental reason, and I think you know this, is that rape and murder are simply wrong. I don't think that most of you would mind my saying that those whose moral standards allowed them to commit these acts have a serious problem, a flaw in their morals, if you will. The question then becomes how we find moral flaws. How do we know that we aren't flawed in our own thinking? In order to know what is error, we must know what is truth. I submit to you that not only do we need a moral standard, but we already have one available. There is a standard of morals that we ought to live by, and it is found in the Bible. I know that most of you reject this as the real standard, but I ask you to consider it, see what it says. Some people have called it irrelevant, but they are usually the people that are too blinded by stereotypes of Christians to actually study it for themselves. The Bible is very relevant, and speaks to nearly every issue we face today.

As far as the political implications of morals, consider the possibility that homosexuality is wrong. Is it possible that people deceive themselves and others, maybe even without knowing it, into thinking that what has been called an abomination before God is just another lifestyle? Or consider the possibility that whole tribes of human beings would prey on other tribes as a way of life, thinking all the while that it was just another way of getting food. (Actually, I think there may be some spiritual significance to cannibalism as well.) I suggest to you that just as well as human beings in another culture could think that killing other human beings is OK, people could truly believe that homosexuality is just another way of living, no matter how wrong they actually may be.

Some people seem to be confused as to what the Bible says about homosexuality. I won't go into a detailed Biblical proof that homosexuality is wrong, but if you're interested, start reading at the book of Romans, and maybe read Leviticus, Chapter 18. (Leviticus is in the old testament, third book, Romans is in the new testament, sixth book.) If you don't read Middle English

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Chicago paper screws up priorities

Is the press fair? That's a debate that never ends. Some papers are and some aren't. But one thing you can count on — they're usually fair to themselves, as this story illustrates.

The Chicago Sun-Times is this country's ninth biggest city paper. One recent day, prominently displayed on its front and back pages was a promotion for one of that paper's sports columns. It was an "open letter" from the columnist to Mike Ditka, coach of the Chicago Bears.

Mike Royko

Oh, my, but it was an angry open letter. Among the words used to describe Ditka were "boorish," "pathetic," "stale," "smart-ass," "monster," "egomaniac," "berserk," "psychosis," "immature" and "lunatic." And it concluded by telling Ditka, "if you are unprepared to act like a civil human being, then quit."

In addition, the Sun-Times invited readers to vote in a phone poll, the question being, "Should Bears coach Mike Ditka quit?"

What was Ditka's crime?

During a recent news conference, Ditka was asked a stupid question clearly aimed at provoking him. Ditka took the bait. He called the sportswriters SOB's, which gave them their 15-second sound bite.

I'll let others debate whether Ditka should quit, be fired, or strung up from a tree. Or whether he is really a "monster," a "lunatic," or suffers from a "psychosis." I'm not a licensed shrink.

But what is interesting is how the treatment of that story compares with another news item in the same newspaper.

The other story was less than half as long as the anti-Ditka tirade, and it was tucked away at the bottom of an inside page, with no front-page promotion.

This story was about a former Sun-Times sportswriter who had been indicted the day before on 196 felony counts.

He is accused of using his position at the newspaper to persuade publicity-hungry inner-city high school athletes to have sex with him or with prostitutes. He allegedly liked to videotape the young men and the hookers.

The story was written in a non-emotional, factual way. It didn't describe the accused sex criminal as being a monster, a lunatic, having a psychosis, or any of the other flaws attributed to Ditka. It made no judgments at all.

At the bottom of the story, there were three brief paragraphs saying that investigators were concerned about the possibility that some of these youngsters might have caught AIDS from the prostitutes. The investigators advised them to consult their physicians.

So here we have two different approaches to two different news stories.

In one story, a football coach calls sportswriters a crude

name. So a sports columnist questions the mental and emotional stability of the football coach and suggests that he either reform or quit his job and abandon his life's work.

This is considered so newsworthy it is promoted on the front page, the back page, and even on the page where the story about the accused sex offender appears.

However, an accused sex offender who wrote sports stories for the same paper is indicted on almost 200 felony charges, and that is not worthy of front page treatment.

Nor does Page One carry the warning to teen-age athletes that they might have become infected with AIDS as a result of this sportswriter's behavior. All of which might lead a reasonable person to ask what is more socially significant: A sports columnist's anger at a football coach's language, or the threat of AIDS to some child-athletes who were allegedly exploited by a perverted sportswriter?

There are other questions a reasonable person might ask. Although several weeks have passed since the man was arrested right in the Sun-Times newsroom, his former employers haven't clearly explained how a convicted sex deviate managed to get a job writing about high school sports. He had been hired after serving a prison sentence for raping a teen-age boy.

Nor have they clearly explained why the paper didn't become curious about the man when some coaches called, complaining that he was becoming pesty toward their players — phoning them at home, trying to take them out.

If the mayor or some other public official had hired a person with so sordid a background to work with teen-agers, and that person sexually exploited the teen-agers, the Sun-Times would demand immediate explanations.

Or if Mike Ditka drafted a football player who had served time in prison for sexually assaulting a teen-age boy, Ditka would surely be accused of being worse than a monster, a lunatic, or of having a psychosis.

But when the editor of the Sun-Times is asked about hiring procedures and those concerned calls from the troubled coaches, the paper's spokesperson says: "No comment."

It's doubtful that the Sun-Times would accept a "no comment" from a public official or a football coach under the same circumstances.

Then there is the telephone poll.

If readers are asked to vote on whether a football coach should go, why shouldn't they be asked to vote on this question: "Should the sports editor who hired an ex-con sexual offender be asked to quit?"

Or these questions: "Is it really right for the editor of a newspaper to say 'no comment' when he is asked about how his paper happened to hire a dangerous sex offender as a prep sportswriter? And should that editor quit?"

And finally: "One of our sportswriters was indicted on 196 felony counts. Could that be an all-time record?"

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Letters

Vote Smart for you

To the Editor:

As election day draws near, many OSU students face a daunting challenge: trying to decide who to vote for. Whether it's the Senate race with all of its negative campaigning, or the Presidential race with all of its sound-bites, one-liners and flaky accusations—it can certainly make you want to just ignore it all and not vote. If you feel this way, you are definitely not alone: in the last Presidential election, only 50.1% of the population voted. This is a country that prides itself on its ability to freely choose elected officials that best represent our interests. But if you don't vote, how can you claim that the people that are elected represent you? Don't you want to be informed about which candidate to vote for who can best represent what is most important to you?

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Jonathan Jenks-Bauer
Junior in political science
Project Vote Smart Intern

Please don't vote

To the Editor:

This letter goes out to Derek Schweitzer, senior in marketing and to Andrew Hilmer, sophomore in university exploratory studies.

I read your quotes on Friday October 23, in that day's issue of the *Daily Barometer*. In case you forgot, your inspirational words were:

"I'm probably going to vote for Bush — I'd like to vote for Perot, but I feel like it would be a waste of vote."

—Derek Schweitzer

"I'll probably vote for Clinton, unless Perot jumps in the polls a bunch."

RASMUSSEN, from page 4

well, you probably shouldn't read the King James Version. If that's all you have, most churches should let you borrow or have a translation that is easier to read and understand.

I wrote this because I see people considering real life issues without considering, in real life, what is right and what is wrong. I submit to you that morality is relevant, and that we can't afford to just do whatever feels good. "Everything is permissible for me" — but not everything is beneficial." 1 Corinthians 6:12 and 10:23. We know we can do anything, but let's find out what is good for us.

I am a self proclaimed non-politician, and I'm not writing to sway any of your votes. If it helps

—Andrew Hilmer

You both said "probably" so I'd like to say:

Derek, please don't vote for Perot, he does not need support from people that think their vote can be a waste.

Andrew, I ask you too, please don't vote for Perot, he does not need support from people that can't think for themselves and relies solely on others' opinions to base their own.

I hope you realize Derek, when you vote for Bush you've wasted your vote by voting for the person you didn't like the best. And Andrew, quite simply, when you vote for Clinton remember you didn't use your head.

Finally to the rest of you out there, who read this anyway, thank you for knowing your vote counts no matter who it is for, and thank you for having pride and hope for your candidate, because that's exactly who he is.

Scott Pugliese

Senior in mechanical engineering

Debate has no end

To the Editor:

I am deeply saddened over the rift in this state being caused over the homosexual issue. I was grieved last fall when elements of the gay community attempted to foist upon Corvallis, Ordinance 91. According to the 32 page purposed ordinance, nothing could be said to a homosexual that would cause him or her "mental distress" (a poorly defined term) at the risk of property loss at the hands of a city ordained committee. The initial version was so radical that even the ACLU, which consistently sides with the gay lobby, was at least initially against it. Likewise at OSU, there are resolutions that will not tolerate any criticism of homosexuality that one Christian campus group (that has some negative things to say about the practice of homosexuality in its mother church's constitution) had to practically threaten to sue just to get a meeting room.

Because of this radical push by the homosexual lobby, many people are reacting. To understand why the OCA, some Christians, some Mormons, and other traditional moralists are pushing for some sort of restraint on these new laws and policies, you have to understand that Ordinance 91, Portland's gay ordinance, and OSU's resolutions are as much or more of a threat to freedoms of some, than Measure 9 is potentially to others. In an article in Friday's *Barometer*, Doug Schorzman quoted Martin Neimoller, Neimoller, who stood up to Hitler, was what would now be called an evangelical, possibly even a fundamentalist pastor. People like him, who take the Bible seriously, believe that homosexuality or for that matter any sex outside of heterosexual marriage is wrong. Not that we shouldn't love and interact with people doing

wrong things (we all do wrong things), but Christians have a responsibility to be honest and say something is wrong. Under some of the "equal rights for gay laws" the Christian or moralist can now have his property confiscated, be harassed, or even be imprisoned (under interpretations of some ordinances) just for simply stating his or her religious beliefs. This all begs for the question: who is the real sensor and the real bigot?

I have been less than thrilled with the way OCA has reacted to all this. I have been sympathetic to OCA in the past especially on abortion issues, but I have had an increasing problem with the tactics used in this election. The strategy is simple, shock the average person in to voting for measure 9 by exposing the most perverse practices of the most radical homosexuals. However, while being critical of OCA on this, I also see them as being victims of the same tactics. I know many people who belong to the OCA. They are non-violent people who (like me) are tired of the growing influence of militant homosexuals threatening to take away their free-speech rights as well as to program their children, through the schools, into thinking that the traditional moral belief system is evil. My stomach literally turned when I saw the latest NO on 9 commercial linking the OCA with violence and skin-heads. The lies and faulty reasoning of the commercial are inexcusable. The press had rightfully condemned some of the shock tactics used by the OCA, however they are strangely silent when the same tactics are used by the No on 9 side. One idiom of traditional morals is this: "the ends do not justify the means." It would be nice if the homosexual lobby would not chuck this moral with the others. I wish I could end this optimistically talking about some middle ground; however, this debate, like the abortion debate, seems to have no end in sight.

George Robison

Graduate student Civil and Forest Engineering Departments

Measure 7 doubles taxes

To the Editor:

I am a retired, local resident, concerned about what measure 7 would cost OSU students (and others) who rent. Measure 7 is to double the taxes on rental property. Landlords pay no taxes, renters pay taxes. Rents would have to go up to pay for the added tax. Will there be a renter rebate refunded a year later? That has nothing to do with the fact that rents will go up if we do not vote down measure 7.

Clifford W. Wirfs
Corvallis resident

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Events listed in the calendar are open to the public unless otherwise noted. To qualify for calendar insertion, all meetings, events, and speakers must be free. Calendar notices subject to editing.

THURSDAY

Meetings

Alpha Kappa Alpha, 7pm Black Cultural Center. Informational Tea everyone welcome!

Amnesty International, 6:30pm MU 102. Everyone Welcome.

ASOSU Environmental Affairs Task Force, 6pm MU 213B. Working on getting projects going.

Blue Key, 5:30pm MU 207

Chrysalis Society, 6:30pm Womens Center. Halloween Party - Bring the kids - Adult guest - a pumpkin to carve/paint - money for "Dutch Treat" pizza. Fun time for all.

Equine Science Club, 6:30pm OSU Horse Center. Elections for new officers. For more info 737-9334

Filipino Students Association, 6pm MU 213C

Fish and Wildlife Club, 6pm NASH 011

Intermarital Sports, 5pm 125 Langton. Tennis singles tournament entries due. Event is Saturday.

International Education, 2:30-4pm MU 208. Japan Exchange Teaching (JET) Program. Learn how you can spend a year in Japan after completing your degree, teaching english or working as a coordinator for Int'l relations.

International Education, 2:30-3:30pm MU 210. Denmark Int'l Study Program. Courses in English, Liberal Arts, Int'l Business, Graphic Design, and Marine Environmental Studies.

Special Notices

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Native American Student Association, 5:45pm Native American Lodgehouse

The Navigators, 7pm Callahan main lounge. A murder mystery - come dressed as your favorite detective to discover who killed Harrison Bourne. Sponsored by the navigators, a non denominational Christian Organization.

No On "9" Mid Valley, 7pm Westminster House (101 NW 23rd St.). Free movie "Strangers in good company"

OSSHE Oregon state system of Higher Ed., 2:30-3:30pm MU 210. Denmark International studies (DIS) is holding a meeting, everyone is invited.

OSSHE, 2:30-4:30pm MU 208. Japanese Exchange and Teaching Program is holding a meeting. Everyone is invited.

OSU Cycling Club, 8pm MU board room. Everyone Welcome

OSU Fencing Club, 7:30pm Langton 310.

OSU Lacrosse Team, 3:30-5:30pm Peavy Field. Practice every Tues. and Thursday, bring gear if you have it. Anyone can participate.

OSU Railroad Club, 7pm Meet at west side of Weniger. O gauge traction layout tour.

OSU Sailing Club, MU Council Class at 7pm. Meeting at 8pm. Upcoming regatta's in Seattle and San Luis Abispo

Pre-Dental Society, 6:30pm MU 106. All students interested in the dental profession please attend.

Students for Choice, 11:30am-1:30pm, MU Center C. Find out which candidates will protect your reproductive freedom.

United Campus Ministry, 12:30, 3:30, Westminster House. "Fighting for Our Lives" - a 20 min video about measure 9.

Women's Affairs Task Force ASOSU, 7pm Women's center. Currently seeking new members to promote the concerns of all women at OSU. First meeting of the year.

Speakers

Women's Center/Dean of Students, 10-

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FRIDAY Meetings

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship, 7:30pm, MU 208. Come join our celebration of life.

Malaysian Students Association, 7pm, MU Board Room. AGM to elect new officers. Attendance compulsory to ensure future of organization.

Oregon State Toastmasters Club 3722, 12:30-1:25pm, OSU Crop Science 119. Faculty, students and staff from OSU welcome, as well as Corvallis residents. Practice and improvement in conference-style speech.

United Campus Ministry, 12:30, 3:30, Westminster House. "Fighting for our Lives" - a 20 minute video about measure 9.

Speakers

Collegiate Democrats/No on 9 Campus Coalition, noon, MU Ballroom or Quad (weather permitting). No on 9 rally with invited speakers.

ISOSU and ASOSU, 4-6pm, MU East Forum. "Cultural Cafe" featuring Dr. Robert Sahv as a guest speaker discussing the national elections 1992. Free refreshments for everyone! Open discussion after speech.

Student Activities Center, 12-1pm, Student Activities Center. Managing accounts for fee funded organizations.

Women's Center/Dean of Students Office, 10-11am, Women's Center. Family impact series. Today's topic: "Impact of the Family on Spirituality." Speaker: Paul Kopperman, OSU Professor, History.

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ΓΦΒ P.S. Sorry this is so late.

To the men of ΣΧ At six o'clock the BBQ smoked. By the time eight rolled around we were soaked. Wearing depends with elastic waist bands. Chutes and Ladders, Operation, and Candyland. B-- bongs on the left, upsidowners on the right. Helped us all have a really great night. Thanks for the fun. The ladies of ΔΔΠ

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Sports

Men's hoop team takes time out to visit with media

By SCOTT A. OLSON

of the Daily Barometer

Media from around the state got a chance Wednesday to meet and interview the players and coaches of this year's Orange Express team.

And this year the words to remember are "Senior leadership."

The OSU men's basketball team will begin play on Nov. 23 when they play an exhibition game against Athletes In Action. When asked who he would start if he had a game tomorrow, head coach Jimmy Anderson said he'd go with his five seniors.

"We've already appointed Scott Haskin and Charlie McKinney as our two active captains and we feel this senior group, with the experience that they have and the leadership qualities and talents that they have, that they have a chance to help us have an outstanding season," Anderson said.

The seniors, along with Haskin and McKinney, include Pat Strickland, Kevin Harris and Chad Scott.

Scott, who was declared academically ineligible midway through last season will be back with the team this year and he said he's excited about that.

"It feels great," Scott said. "I'm in shape, I'm ready to go and I'm ready to play — I think we're going to win the Pac-10 title this year."

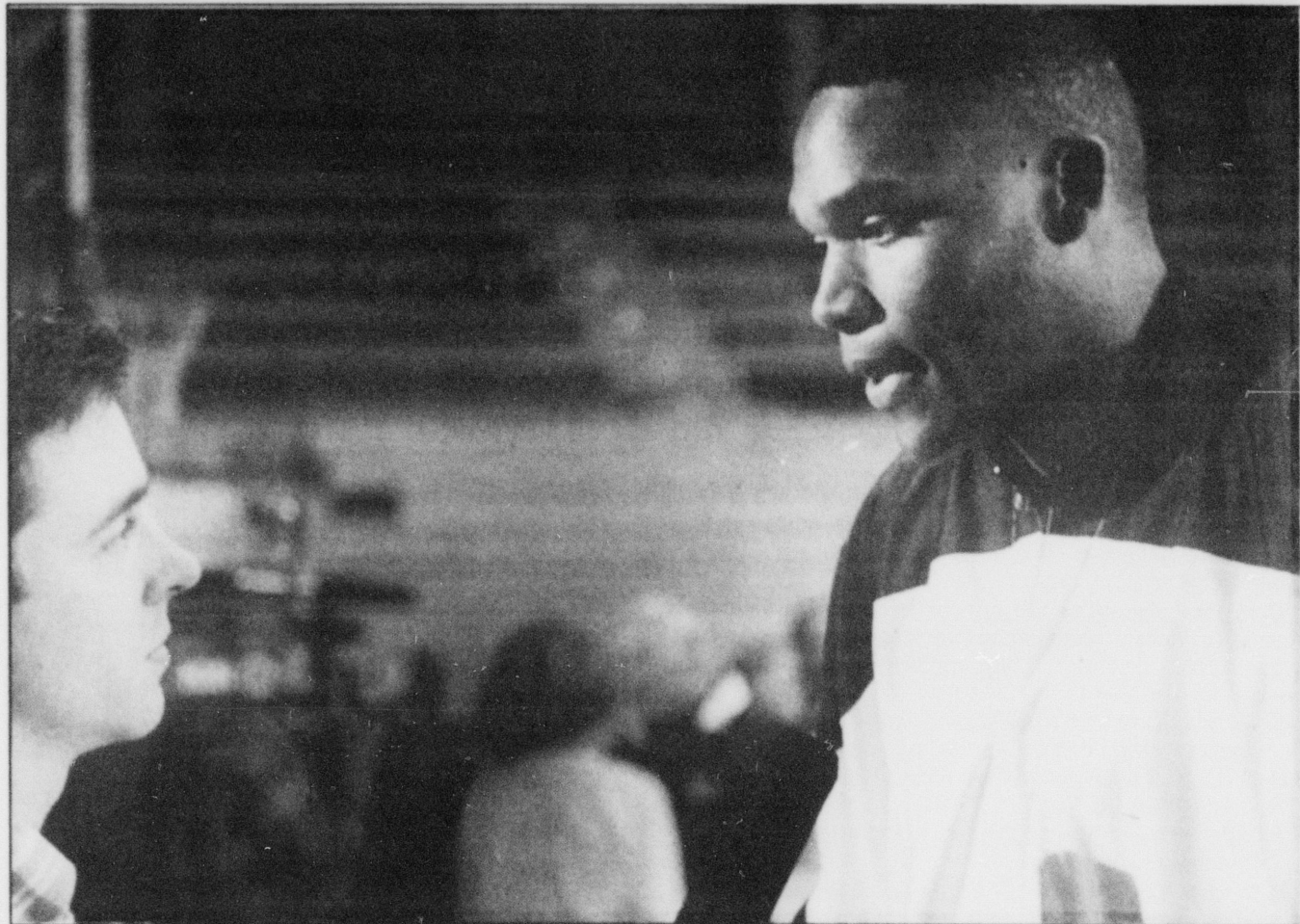
Sophomore Brent Barry also talked about the prospect of having Scott back in the lineup.

"He can flat out play the game," Barry said. "With Chad playing, we have a serious chance to win the Pac-10."

"I see us finishing no worse than third in the Pac-10," Barry said. "I really think that if we finish anything less than that we should really feel bad."

Anderson talked a little about the problems of last year, which included the death of guard Earnest Killum, as well as other matters that led to the transfer of both Canaan Chatman

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DAVID KURLE/The Daily Barometer

OSU senior power-forward Chad Scott will return to the team this year after being declared academically ineligible last year. The Beavers will play their first game on Nov. 23 against Athletes In Action.

Devil Dogs drink juice of destruction, lose 14-7

By SCOTT A. OLSON

of the Daily Barometer

After two and a half weeks of intramural football, there is a new No. 1 team in both the men's "A" and "B" divisions.

My Navy ROTC-sponsored Devil Dogs couldn't handle the pressure given to them by the Juice of Creation. I understand the Dogs whined and threatened to protest the game over a late, 10-yard-at-best, no-call on a possible pass-interference play. And this was after the referee gave them five downs to score — definitely not the way the No. 1 team should play. Maybe we'll try the top-10 thing again next year, 'eh Dogs?

The Juice of Creation should then vault to the top, right? Not. They practically threw the game away in the final minute when, instead of running out the clock, they decided to throw a long bomb. The Juice will just have to remain content at No. 5 for now until they figure out how to finish off the opposition.

Still undefeated Wetungurf moves up the list to No. 7 this week after an impressive showing against Hung Mary. The Marys may not be the best competition, but you've got to respect a shutout. Incidentally, a good matchup looks to be brewing between the Juice of Creation and Wetungurf. The two teams will play each other in their last regular season game on Nov. 15.

And finally, the new No. 1 team is the Yukon Dumbheads. The YDs beat Call Me Daddy 2, 38-6.

Pi Kappa Alpha cracks the top 10 with two shutouts, the first over the boys of Sigma Phi Epsilon 19-0 and the second over the boys of Tau Kappa Epsilon, 40-0. With a first-week win over Phi Gamma Delta, the Pikes have outscored their opponents by a 77-13 margin.

In the "B" league, the Smiles shut out their opponents for the second straight week, this time 29-0 over AGR.

My other ROTC-sponsored team, Air Force Combat Control,

continues to move up the chart with two more wins. The first was over Sucks 2 B U, 20-13, and the second over Give It To Me, 36-6. After losing by 30, I wonder how much more they wanted.

The women's league changed a little bit, but the Thetas remained in control by winning a forfeit game over the Nuggets and by beating Alpha Chi Omega, 18-6.

Men's "A"

1. Yukon Dumbheads (2-0) beat Call Me Daddy 2, 38-6.
2. Pi Kappa Alpha (3-0) beat SPES, 19-0 and TKEs, 40-0.
3. Acacia (2-0) beat Sigma Nu, 44-0.
4. Second Bites (3-0) beat Hangin Low, 14-0 and G.P.S.P, 2-0.
5. The Juice of Creation (2-0) beat the Devil Dogs, 14-7.
6. Varsity House (2-0) beat Delta Chi, 18-0.
7. Wetungurf (2-0) beat Hung Mary, 24-0.
8. Chi Phi (2-0) beat Sigma Chi, 13-6.
9. Theta Chi (2-0) beat the DU pledges, 25-0.
10. Beta Theta Pi (2-0) beat Delta Upsilon, 14-0.

Men's "B"

1. Smiles (2-0) beat Alpha Gamma Rho, 29-0.

2. Combat Control (3-0) beat Sucks 2 B U, 20-13 and Give It To Me, 36-6.

3. Avery Lodge (2-0) beat the Delt rookies, 29-7.
4. Delta Tau Delta (2-0) beat SAE, 19-0.
5. Punani Pokers (2-0) beat the Screaming Eagles, 32-6.
6. Coming From Behind II (2-0) beat Pharm Animals, 30-0.
7. Fat Dog and the Pups (3-0) beat Team Sloth, 38-0 and Sucks 2 B U, 20-6.
8. Beer Farts (3-0) beat Alumni Status, 13-6 and the Hawgs, 14-6.
9. Hurricanes (2-0) beat the Hosers, 32-0.
10. Pi Kappa Alpha (2-0) beat the SPES, 14-0.

Women's Division

1. Kappa Alpha Theta (3-0) won by forfeit over the Nuggets and beat Alpha Chi Omega, 18-6.
2. We Play With Balls (2-0) beat Alpha Gamma Delta 2, 18-6.
3. Alpha Phi (2-0) beat Alpha Gamma Delta 1, 18-7.
4. Kappa Delta (2-0) beat Delta Gamma, 13-12 in overtime.
5. Alpha Chi Omega (2-1) beat Chi Omega, 12-2 and lost to Kappa Alpha Theta, 6-18.

Blazer fans breath collective sigh of relief: Drexler says knee feels good after surgery

Associated Press

PORTLAND — For the Portland Trail Blazers, no sight could be more welcome than Clyde Drexler playing basketball again.

Drexler participated in a 20-minute scrimmage Tuesday, his first extensive play since he underwent arthroscopic knee surgery Sept. 17.

Afterward, he said he felt ready for more.

"My knee feels pretty good, real strong, and my conditioning is good," Drexler said. "Just to be out there playing defense, getting a rebound, running the fastbreak and finishing the fastbreak is an absolutely great feeling."

But he admitted he was apprehensive.

"My biggest fear is still coming back too fast and hurting it again," he said.

Drexler obviously wasn't in top form but said he can run at about 90 percent speed.

He wouldn't commit to when he would play in a game for the Blazers, or how much he will play his first game or two back.

The Blazers have three pre-season games remaining. They'll play the Charlotte Hornets on Friday night at Las Vegas, the Sacramento Kings on Sunday night at Sacramento and Charlotte on Tuesday night at Springfield, Mass.

"Las Vegas may be too early. Maybe by the last one. But I'm just guessing," he said.

He said he will talk to team physician Robert Cook to determine his playing status.

"I'd be willing to play a lot, if we decide it's OK," Drexler said.

Drexler was bothered by soreness in his right knee during last season's playoffs and during his play with the U.S. Olympic team this summer.

He made 5 of 9 shots during Tuesday's scrimmage.

"It's important for me to get some time out there with the new guys, to get a feel for the game again and get a feel for playing with them," Drexler said.

He admitted he had a long way to go to return to his all-star form.

"At times I was hesitant to take the hard step and make the hard move to the basket, to put my full weight on it," he said.

"Every now and then, when I make a sharp turn, there's a little pain, but that's just because my leg isn't accustomed to what it's doing," Drexler said. "The whole thing is more mental than physical right now."

The Blazers have four other players out with injuries. Buck Williams has a strained right arch, Dave Johnson has a sprained right foot, Tracy Murray has a bruised right foot and Mark Bryant has a sprained right ankle. The Trail Blazers cut two rookie free agents from their roster Wednesday, center Matt Fish and point guard Charles McCovery.

The 6-foot-11 Fish hit a free throw with 29 seconds remaining to lift the Blazers to a 105-104 pre-season victory over the Denver Nuggets Monday night.

McCovery, 6-3, played 13 minutes against Denver and scored five points.

Fish attended North Carolina-Wilmington. McCovery played at Oklahoma City.

Swimmers fall to WSU

By GARY ELLINGSON

of the Daily Barometer

The OSU women's swim team continued improving on their season-best times last weekend. Seven events had better-than-ever times recorded, but it wasn't enough to hold off the Washington State Cougars. The deeper Cougar team rolled to an easy 162-36 victory.

OSU had only one win in the meet, coming from team captain Christy Ryerson in the 200 yard backstroke. Ryerson also placed third in the 200-yard freestyle.

Freshmen Heather Simmons and Juli Ellingson continued to do well for OSU. Simmons took second in the 200-yard breaststroke. Ellingson placed third in the 50-yard freestyle.

OSU head coach Julie Saunders continued to display a good attitude.

"We improved a lot for only one more week of practice. I'm really happy. We improved a lot of times tonight and we swam some races that we didn't swim last week."

Co-captains Tori Eisenbeis and Amy van Loben Sels missed their second straight meet due to injuries.

The Beavers next meet will be at the University of Washington Nov. 6-7 for the Husky Relays.

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NBA's first game in Mexico a comedy of errors

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Oh, what an exhibition game it was: the NBA's first foray into Mexico proved to be a comedy of errors — from the scoreboard that conked out to the chair that gave way beneath superstar Hakeem Olajuwon.

But the NBA experiment in playing South of the Border also was a smashing success as a sellout crowd of 19,500 Mexicans cheered the Houston Rockets to a 104-102 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

"I wish we could take 10,000 of these fans back to Houston," the Rockets' Kenny Smith said as he was mobbed by fans. "This was a great crowd."

Olajuwon's layup with 2 seconds left gave the Rockets the victory in the first NBA game ever played in Latin America.

The game at Mexico City's Sports Palace was broadcast to 100 million viewers throughout Latin America in a move by the NBA to gain a wider audience throughout the hemisphere.

Houston general manager Steve Patterson said the experiment proved the NBA could expand aggressively in selling broadcasts and licensing rights in the region — maybe even locating a franchise in the Mexican capital within the decade.

"For the NBA, Mexico is a tremendous market. For that matter, so is all of Latin America," Patterson said. "For two teams that didn't even make the playoffs last year this was an incredible night."

Many fans paid up to \$30 — nearly the weekly minimum wage — for tickets, including a number of students who said basketball was gaining fast in popularity behind soccer and baseball.

"We'd like to see a lot more games here. All my friends are now playing on league teams in the city and basketball really is picking up," said 17-year-old fan Sergio Enriquez Ordonez.

"Now if we could just get Phoenix here," said Arsenio Golebechea, 31, who drove 100 miles from the city of Puebla to see the game.

It was not an easy game to plan. Dallas brought in huge amounts of supplies, including its own bottled water and ice

cubes for fear of Mexico's ill-reputed water supply.

Houston technicians spent two days going over the electronic scoreboard only to sputter in rage as the system conked out a half-hour before gametime — leaving coaches and players in confusion about the score and time remaining.

"What's the time? What's the time?" Houston Coach Rudy Tomjanovich shouted desperately as the final seconds wore down with the score tied 102-102.

Making matters worse, two public address system announcers competed in a babble of English and Spanish to command the play-by-play.

There were other problems as well: someone forgot to hang the flags for the opening anthem, players complained about the creaky hardwood court, and plastic chairs supplied to the players clearly weren't up to snuff.

All 255 pounds of the 7-foot superstar Olajuwon hit the floor with a crash in the final timeout as the legs of his chair buck-

led. Three players and his coach had to haul him up, but he came out unscathed.

A few seconds later, he drilled in the winning basket to finish with a game-high 23 points and 19 rebounds.

But like several other players, Olajuwon admitted there was a lot more huffing and puffing in the thin, polluted air of Mexico City, elevation 7,200 feet.

"I was really struggling tonight because of the altitude," said Olajuwon, whose team arrived on a flight earlier Tuesday that flew through thick clouds of smog. The air cleared by game time.

With the game making big newspaper headlines Wednesday, Mexicans began talking about the prospects of getting a franchise for this city of 17 million people.

"We have to hit the ground running and get to work on this," said Julio Ortiz, president of the Mexican Basketball Federation.

Pirates' Leyland voted NL's top manager

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jim Leyland, who guided the Pittsburgh Pirates to their third straight National League East title this season, was named NL Manager of the Year on Wednesday.

Leyland was voted first on 20 of 24 ballots and received 109 points overall to beat rookie manager Felipe Alou of the Montreal Expos. Alou, who took over in May for Tom Runnels, was named on three first place ballots and received 65 points. The other first-place vote went to Atlanta's Bobby Cox, who finished third with 29 points.

It was the second time in the three years that Leyland has been named Manager of the Year in voting by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

"This is real pleasing to me," Leyland said at a news conference in Pittsburgh. "Nobody wants to sound like they're boast-

ing, but I think it was my best year. We had to do some unorthodox things, and everything happened to work out."

The Pirates finished 96-66 and beat the Expos by nine games. It was a surprising success for Pittsburgh after losing outfielder Bobby Bonilla to free agency and trading pitcher John Smiley just before the start of the season for financial reasons.

Leyland's regular-season success, however, was once again spoiled in the playoffs as the Pirates lost to the NL West champion for the third straight year. This time was particularly painful as Atlanta rallied for three runs in the bottom of the ninth inning of Game 7 to keep Leyland and the Pirates out of the World Series again.

Leyland did a masterful job of platooning this season, using his bench players to near perfection and usually coming up with the right pitcher.

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and Ray Ross. He also talked about a quote by McKinney during "some of the more difficult times during the season."

"He said, 'Coach, all I want to do is work hard, win some games and have some fun' and so that's kind of a mode of attitude that we're trying to develop in a camaraderie sense that we're all going to work hard and we're going to win some games and in the process have some fun," Anderson said.

As far as needs for the team are concerned, Anderson said that with the team's strength on the inside game, perimeter shooting would become more important. Above all, Anderson expressed a need for consistency from all positions.

One last problem the Beavers must deal with will be fewer days of practice than they had last year. Due to recent changes in NCAA rules, teams cannot begin as early as they did last year. Consequently, 15 days of practice will be lost.

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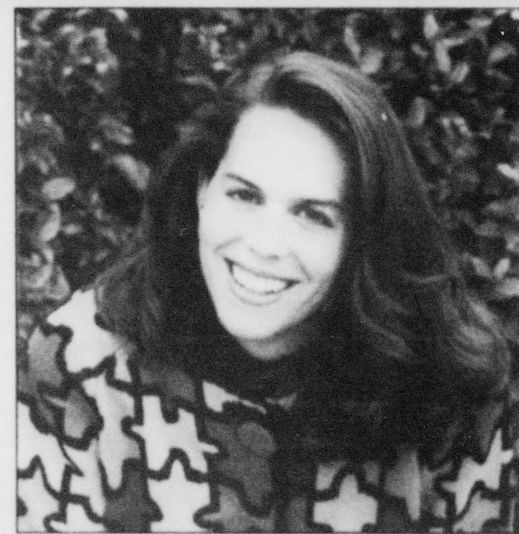
A badminton singles tournament held during the recent Dixon Recreation Center All-Nighter on Oct. 23 was won by Budi Djunaedi.

Harry Susanto captured runner-up honors and Jim Rankin took third. Johannes Satyadi brought up the rear in fourth place.

In the women's division, Nattaya Keowmookdar won first place and Michiko Hatta took second.

Ying Chi Lan and Choo Guan Yeoh tied for third place.



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