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Kopetski, Dennis vie to oppose Smith

By KRISTIN LILLIEBJERG
of the Barometer

In the campaign for the 5th Congressional District, candidates Democrats Mike Kopetski and John Dennis have similar views but different backgrounds.

The deciding factor in the May 17 primary might be determined by more than the issues. Kopetski's and Dennis' related stands may cause political experience and character to determine who will run against Republican Denny Smith. Smith has represented the 5th District since 1980.

State Rep. Mike Kopetski, of Keizer, is a lawyer currently serving his second term for House District 33. He served as a congressional and legislative staff member before being elected to the legislature.

Kopetski believes political experience is necessary to represent Oregon to its potential

and feels his experience makes him better qualified than Dennis.

"One never knows if he is going to be a good legislator until he becomes one. It's important to know the policies, and that is our job as a legislator," he said.

On the other hand, Dennis, a Corvallis Presbyterian minister, believes his lack of political experience makes him more desirable for Congress.

"John is a different type of candidate. He's a new face," said Dennis' co-campaign manager, Margaret Gladstein.

According to Gladstein, Dennis has received all of his campaign funds from private citizens, while over half of Kopetski's support has come from political action committees and special-interest groups.

Gladstein said Dennis has received endorsements from *The Oregonian*, the *Corvallis Gazette-Times*, and the *Albany*

Democrat-Herald.

Kopetski has been endorsed by the Salem *Statesman Journal* as well as many labor unions.

Even though Dennis has received more media endorsements, Kopetski said his experience in office has helped him understand the views of the working people and initiate programs on the state level, which can be applied on the national level.

One of Kopetski's main concerns is child care, he said. He wrote the bill that created Oregon's Child Care Commission and helped pass a law guaranteeing working parents up to 12 weeks of unpaid parental leave.

Kopetski is proud of his accomplishments in this area and said, if elected, he will work to pass a national bill for child care.

"It's important to have (child care) at the national level. It's not fair that (only) Oregon children should have this privilege," Kopetski said.

Gladstein said Dennis commends Kopetski's legislative work on child care. Dennis also believes it's a serious issue.

"He thinks that is a critical issue. One of the solutions, of course, is more funding from the federal level. He has talked about more funding from many social programs including child care," Gladstein said.

Both candidates feel cuts in defense spending can help accomplish their goals for social programs.

Another important issue to both Kopetski and Dennis is the reduction of crime, and they agree that Smith hasn't addressed the issue adequately.

Smith has entered what he calls his crime initiative into Congress. This plan would prohibit probation and parole for repeat Class A felons and require them to serve their full sentence.

Dennis stood up about a month ago in front of the Portland Justice Center, the State Penitentiary in Salem and the Lane County Jail to complain about Smith's initiative.

"Basically he said Denny Smith's idea was a

'hairbrained idea', to quote the press release, and that in fact its overall consequence was being soft on crime because it had no prevention and no position for rehabilitation," Gladstein said.

Kopetski believes crime stems from the criminal's upbringing. When children come home to an empty home after school and have to take care of themselves, this can lead to associating with the wrong crowd.

"Where are the role models they need when mom and dad are at work?" Kopetski said during a speech at OSU in February.

On the topic of Smith's representing Oregon in Congress, both candidates offered negative evaluations.

Kopetski said Smith hasn't served in Congress the way he should have. He said Smith is too conservative and he appeals to a small group of narrow-minded Republicans.

"Smith is representing a very small, narrow base of ultra-conservatives. He has the responsibility to broaden his views of office," Kopetski said.

Also, he said, Smith continues to support more military spending, which has caused him to lose credibility with many people. Kopetski said Smith has "a disregard for education" because of his increased support for the military.

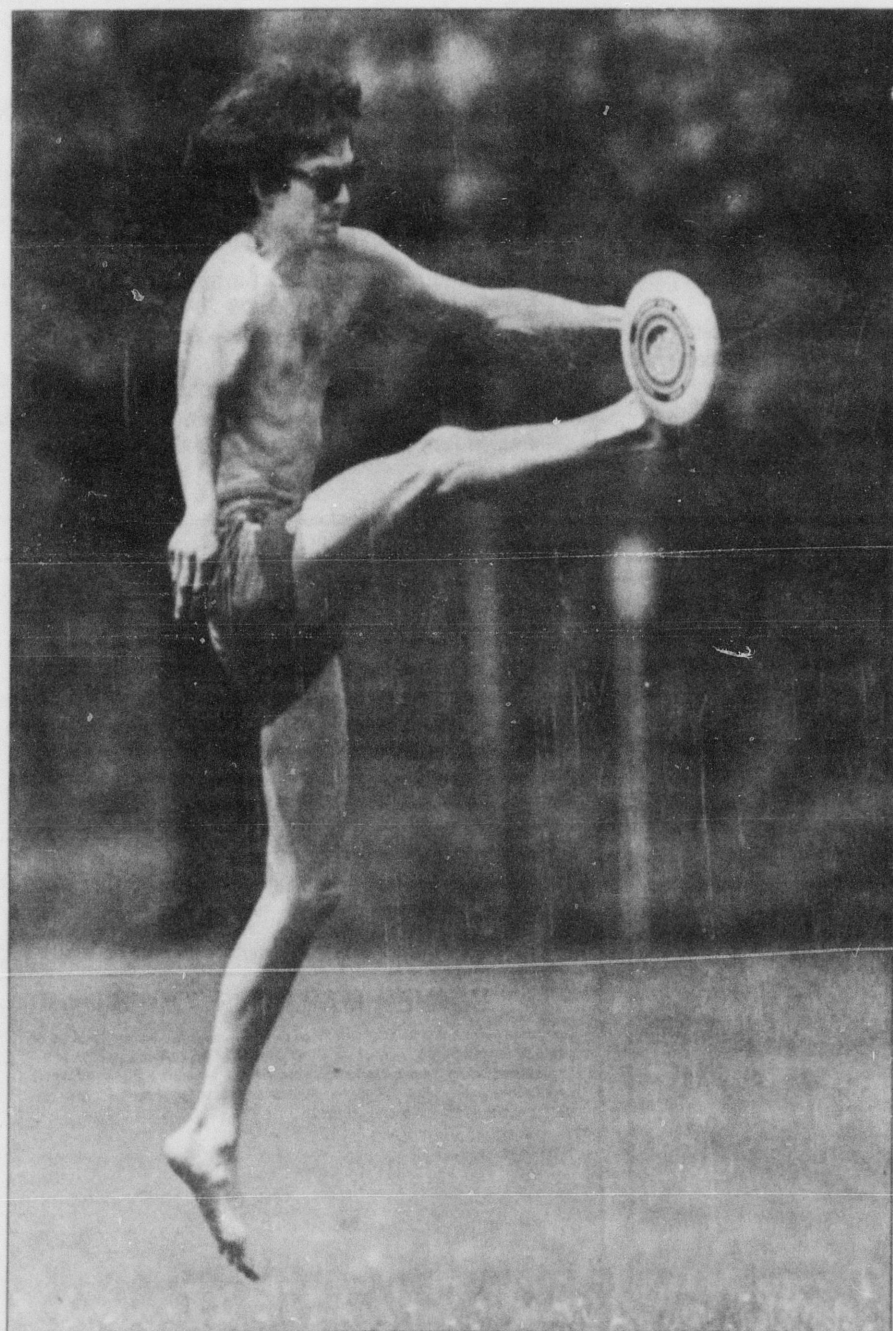
Dennis agrees with Kopetski's assessment that Smith has constantly approved more defense spending proposals.

"Denny Smith has claimed to be a careful watchdog for the budget. But yet has consistently approved program after program of defense appropriations," Gladstein said.

Smith's record shows him voting against programs that would have helped fight crime, she said.

"Yet he comes home and says, 'I'm tough on crime, let's pass this initiative'," she said.

To counter Smith, both Kopetski and Dennis say they plan to steer away from defense spending and help support the economy and domestic affairs.



DAVID P. GILKEY/Daily Barometer

Spring fling

Catching air and a frisbee at the same time proved to be no problem for Chris Gooch, junior in geology. Thursday's sunny weather and the Avery Park soccer field made the perfect combination for Gooch and a friend to toss a frisbee.

MU changes elections

By KEVIN WHITE
of the Barometer

In the aftermath of a recent Associated Students of OSU amendment to open up the elections process for all organizations on campus, the Memorial Union Program Council's board of directors has changed three areas dealing with the elections process.

According to a public notice from Eric Thompson, MU president, the nominations process and the prior service to the MU requirements will be eliminated.

The annual election for the MU officers will also be changed, according to Thompson, from April to the second week in March.

The changes came at the April 28 Memorial Union board of directors meeting, but Thompson said the changes had nothing to do with amendment by ASOSU.

"We had talked about making the elections earlier for some time," he said.

The reason for the change, according to Thompson, was to give new officers more time with the outgoing officers before they assumed the office.

"It (the move) is strictly to give the new officers more experience and more time to recruit people," he said.

Moving the elections ahead, however, will have the effect of forcing MUPC to pay for all election expenses.

Under the current elections process, ASOSU provides funding for all election related expenses.

"It will cost some money," Thompson said, "and we will have to find it."

Where that money would be found, Thompson could not say.

"We have no details yet," he said. "We are still meeting as a committee."

On the subject of eliminating the nominations process and the previous service requirement -- two points which were criticized as limiting the number of candidates -- Thompson said, "There were some good points made by ASOSU. We felt that some people might be discouraged by the process."

Thompson also added that the recommendations addressed in the amendment had been considered before by the board and that, if anything, the amendment by ASOSU had only speeded up the process.

Comments in support or against the changes may be submitted in person or in writing when the MUPC board of directors meets again, June 2, 1988, at 3:30 p.m. in MU 110.

CAMPUS

Parking tight, but money tighter, so plans on hold

By GARY JOHNSON
of the Barometer

Repair and reconstruction to OSU's parking facilities could incur costs in excess of \$1 million, according to a study completed for the university by an engineering firm.

However, projected revenue to make the necessary repairs will only amount to \$600,000 over the next five years, according to Gary Chandler, chair of the campus Traffic Committee.

Chandler said the challenge lies in stretching the resources to cover the necessary repairs.

"What we're going to try and do is squeeze a million dollars out of \$600,000 funding," Chandler said.

Although an increase in parking fees could be used to augment funds, "We think we can probably take care of it (repairs) without a fee increase," he said.

Beyond regular repairs and maintenance, the Traffic Committee would also like to see "enhancements" made to various lots, but Chandler estimated that they could add \$1 million dollars to the cost.

Such enhancements would include improving lighting to existing lots and paving gravel lots.

To help the committee's efforts to improve parking, the consulting firm of Carl H. Buttke, Inc., was hired last year to solve what Chandler characterized as "the parking demand and alternative solutions" puzzle.

Buttke recommended, among other things, what the committee, students, and staff had known all along — that OSU needs more parking spaces.

"We have plenty of parking at OSU, but it's in the wrong places," Chandler said.

To correct the problem, specifically the dearth of parking spaces on the north side of campus, the report recommended the construction of 180 new spaces in that area within the next five years.

Chandler said building more parking spaces would improve the situation because it would alleviate the pressure put on existing lots, which are in high demand because of their proximity to the "core" of campus.

He identified the "core" of campus as those areas around which most activities take place, namely the areas surrounding Milam Hall, the Memorial Union Building and Kerr Library.

The Traffic Committee is also studying the possibility of a two-tier fee structure designed to help alleviate parking problems on the north side.

Students, staff and faculty willing to pay a higher fee would be able to park in those areas designated as high-priority parking lots.

The permits would be sold on a limited basis in an effort to con-



STEVE WILKOWSKE/Daily Barometer

Gary Chandler, chairperson of the Campus Traffic Committee, stands in the gravel parking lot adjacent to 15th Street and Washington way — is pavement on the way? Chandler says the committee has been narrowing possible parking improvement options down to the most viable solutions. Next year the committee will attempt to find out what options will be most attractive to students, faculty and staff.

trol demand for the parking spaces, Chandler said.

In addition to the long-term parking problem, the committee is also considering the construction of a parking garage designed for short-term parking.

According to Chandler, a two or three-story parking garage with 240-250 spaces could be built — provided funds for construction were found — and maintained entirely on its own with the revenue generated from fees charged to park in the garage.

It would be a great improvement over the existing short-term lot because students would be allowed to use the garage along with staff and faculty, Chandler said.

Overall, Chandler emphasized that any improvements to existing parking lots, above and beyond maintenance and repair, will have to be paid for by a parking fee increase.

"There are some solutions to the parking problems, but they are going to cost money," he said.

However, based on input from faculty and staff that have worked at other institutions, Chandler said parking fees at OSU are already relatively low compared to other campuses across the U.S.

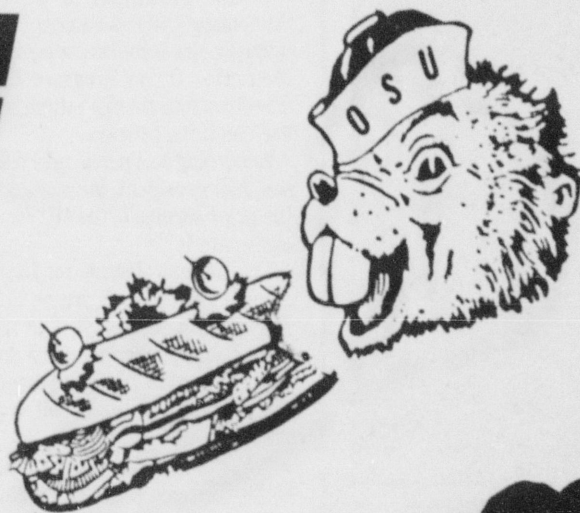
What the committee would like to do next year, Chandler said, is hold some informational meetings to solicit opinions from students, faculty and staff on fee increases as well as specific improvements.

"It isn't something that we need to panic and fix right away, but it is something that as a community we need to take a look at...and essentially that boils down to what we are willing to pay," he said.

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Commitment to exploration lacking in U.S., Schmitt says

By TERRI CRAIG
of the Barometer

A colony on the planet Mars could become a reality if the United States and the Soviet Union combine their efforts, according to Harrison H. "Jack" Schmitt, an Apollo 17 astronaut and geologist.

However, reaching this goal may take longer because the importance of the space program to the American people has diminished over the last 20 years.

"The United States has no formulated vision of the future of this country in space," he said.

Schmitt spoke to a crowd of approximately 250 people in the LaSells Stewart Center Tuesday evening.

He contrasted the motivation and direction in space exploration in the 1960s with the lack of motivation today.

The dedication during the '60s helped launch the 1972 Apollo moon landing, which increased human understanding of other planets.

The increase in understanding of the earth and moon allows scientists to gain a better interpretation of those planets that were only seen by camera, he said.

The lunar landing symbolized the willingness of our species to commit to a challenge which offered no guarantee that the people would survive, he said.

But Schmitt said he does see progress in space exploration in the future.

There are people living on this planet today who will be the parents of the first Martians because within 40 years, the settlement of Mars will begin, he said.

He expects the settlement to progress in a series of steps. People will begin with the mining of the moon, continue with a settlement on the moon and finally develop a settlement on Mars.

The involvement of the United States in this progress is less than certain, he said.

The United States has not developed plans for future space exploration, and investment in this field is totally inadequate, he said.

The Soviet Union, meanwhile, has made a commitment to the further development of its space program since the '60s.

"They have committed themselves to put cosmonauts near Mars," Schmitt said.

The Soviet Union has a space station, and they have a 10-year lead in the design work for a trip to Mars, he said.

While the United States has developed the space shuttle, important to space exploration, the country doesn't have nearly the capabilities of the U.S.S.R.

Schmitt stressed the importance of cooperation between these two societies to move humankind into space.

Both parties in this cooperation must have a commitment, but the U.S. has not made one, he said.

Cooperation in the past has involved only "odds and ends of scientific cooperation," he said.

As an example, Schmitt said the Soviet Union has invited the United States and other countries to place certain types of equipment on the USSR shuttles to be tested in space.

But the importance of a settlement on Mars is the expansion of the range of environments in which people can survive.

"It increases the chances of survival for the human population," Schmitt said.

It also increases the chances of survival for human freedom by extending the boundaries of settlement, he said.

But the present commitment of the United States in money is only one-third of what it was during the heyday of Apollo.

The program has lost momentum in recent years, and "we are 15 years behind where we could have been," he said.

The momentum needs to be rebuilt or the program will never be competitive, he said.

Candidate forum Wednesday

A candidates forum will be held on Wednesday, May 11, 7 p.m. at the Forum Building, LBCC Main Campus.

Participants will be John Dennis and Mike Kopetski, candidates for U.S. Representative for Oregon's Fifth Congressional District. The candidates will respond to several prepared ques-

tions from the audience.

The candidates forum is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Linn County. The purpose of the League of Women Voters is to promote informed and active participation of citizens in government. The League of Women Voters doesn't support or oppose any political party or candidate.

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EDITORIAL

Commissioner endorsements CAL HENRY

Of the three Democrats running for County Commission Position Three, Cal Henry is most likely to provide both effective representation to county residents as well as effective management of county government.

The other two candidates, Julian McFadden and Buzz Ward, both have some strong qualifications, but neither has the broad-based experience in government that Henry does. That experience will be invaluable when the time comes to make Benton County's voice heard around the state.

Currently the Business Manager at the Oregon Secretary of State's office,

Henry also has extensive experience in a variety of other public leadership positions.

A former chairperson of the Benton-Linn Economic Opportunities Council, member of the Benton County Mental Health Advisory Committee and president of the Corvallis Branch of the NAACP he knows the people in Benton County.

A board member of the Oregon Private Industry Council, the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce's Corvallis Industrial Economic Council, he knows business, and knows what Benton County needs.

PAM FOLTS

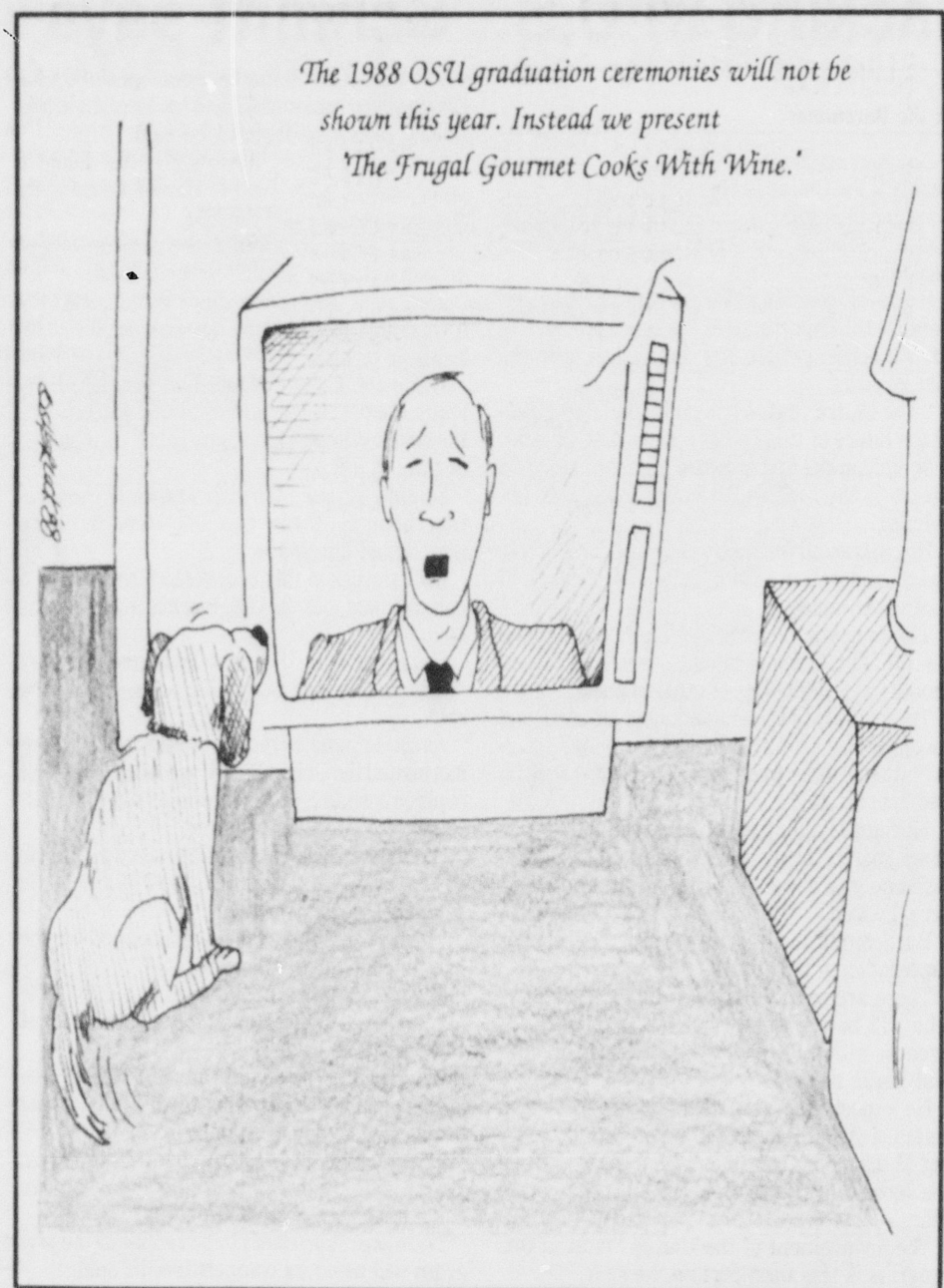
Although the *Barometer* editorial board was impressed with both Democratic candidates for Benton County Commissioner Position Two, we have chosen to endorse Pam Folts.

Both candidates expressed a desire to see economic growth combined with sound environmental practices; both also pledged support to social services. Folts, however, has practical experience in local business and government that will better enable her to be an effective commissioner.

Folts has served as a City of Cor-

vallis Planning Commissioner and has been executive director of the Downtown Corvallis Association. She has also been involved in diverse community and government organizations, including a development committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the Corvallis Art Center Board, the Mental Health Citizens Advisory Board and United Way of Benton County, among many others.

Her broad experience in dealing with the leaders of this community will make her an asset to the county as one of its commissioners.



Buckle up for safety—seat belts do save lives

BY CHERYL GRAHAM
for the *Barometer*

If you could reduce by 50 percent your chances of premature death or permanent disability, would you take action?

Most people would answer an unqualified "sure" to that question. But give them the opportunity to prove it by wearing their vehicle safety belts and about 86 percent fail the test.

That's approximately how many Americans don't use seatbelts at all (Oregonians do significantly better overall: about 40 percent use belts). Add the untold numbers that use their belts only occasionally and the potential grief takes on even more significant proportions.

Many people who don't wear seatbelts believe that it's a wise idea — they just haven't developed the habit of doing so. Others don't use belts because they are unconvinced of their value compared with the inconvenience of wearing them (maybe you, like me, have embarrassed yourself on more than one occasion trying to exit your car while still strapped in...it doesn't make for a very confident departure).

But the trade-off in lives and human productivity is well worth the minor inconvenience of seatbelts. Take a look at the statistical story.

In Oregon alone, there were 412 fatalities from January 1, 1987,

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to November 30, 1987. Only 14 percent of those fatalities were using seatbelts at the time of the accident; nearly 73 percent were not using seatbelts (the remaining 13 percent were undetermined).

One myth that prevents many people from using seatbelts is that it's better not to have a belt on in an accident so that you can get out of the car. The argument doesn't go very far in face of the facts.

A person is 40 times more likely to be killed in an accident if he or she is thrown from the vehicle. Over one-third of Oregonians killed in motor vehicle accidents during 1986 were thrown from their cars.

Moreover, fewer than one-half of one percent of all injury-producing vehicle accidents in the country require immediate evacuation due to fire or submersion of the vehicle under water.

Some people claim that seatbelts should only be necessary on highways or during inclement weather. However, Gail Madsen,

President of the Oregon Paramedic Association points out that "most traffic fatalities occur at speeds under 40 mph on sunny, dry days. If the occupants aren't wearing safety belts, accidents at slow speeds on dry roads can result in fatalities as well as serious injuries."

The fact is that the force involved in accidents at even low speeds is incredible. The Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association states that the unbelted (adult) occupant of a 30-mph vehicle crash hits the windshield or other interior surface with the same impact as a fall from a three-story building. Further, "even the impact of a 10-mph crash is roughly equivalent to catching a 200-pound weight dropped from about seven feet."

According to a study of 28,000 traffic accidents in Sweden, no fatalities were found at crash speeds of under 60 mph when safety belts were used. However, deaths occurred in crashes as low as 12 mph when safety belts were not used.

But according to a study done by the University of Michigan's Transportation Research Institute, Americans are almost certain to be involved in a traffic crash during their lifetime; they face a one-in-50 chance of becoming a fatality and a 50 percent probability of suffering a disabling injury.

Hard statistics to swallow? Sure they are, but don't forget how safety belts can alter those statistics. The same agency has shown that chances of death and injury are reduced by 50 percent with the use of safety belts.

If you're a parent, consider some research released in June 1987 by USA Today: 72 percent of 1,200 children interviewed "worried a lot" about being in traffic accidents and that their parents would be killed in traffic accidents. Wouldn't it give your children peace of mind to share with them how seatbelts can save lives — and then wear them yourselves?

May is Oregon Safety Belt Awareness Month and May 23-30 is national All America Buckle Up Week. During the month of May, numerous Oregon agencies are teaming up to increase safety belt use with the theme, "Help Oregon Be Fatality Free." The goal is to have no fatalities on Oregon highways during the month of May, compared with eight during May 1987. How could such a goal be achieved? By wearing seatbelts.

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LETTERS

Students voted for Gould

To the editor:

In a recent letter to the editor, David Osborne requested that Bryan Gould do the "Students at OSU a big favor" by dropping his appeal. I would like to personally request that David refrain from labeling his engaging wit the voice of the student body. David also claims that Bryan Gould's opponent, Joel Corcoran, is "now in his rightfully earned position." Now Dave, I was just wondering if your mother's first grade class can comprehend the difference between 564 and 427 votes. Granted Dave, you are a wonderful, if not dazzling spokesman, but the students have already voted for their candidate.

David's letter is the latest scourge in what has to be the most biased display of journalism in Oregon State University history. It wasn't enough for the Barometer to publicly endorse Joel Corcoran, they also felt it was necessary to assassinate Gould's character on a daily basis. In a recent editorial, the Barometer chose a neutral voice to shed some light on the brewing controversy. This person generated a profound sense of journalistic decency when he or she claimed that the purpose of the editorial was not to "judge the truth or mistruth" of the charges. After making this claim, our humble voice systematically placed the word guilty in every reference to Gould. For the people who experienced difficulties understanding the neutrality of the written segment, there is an illustrated version of the issue. A cartoon depicts a candidate, (the guy even looks like Gould), bribing one of Osborne's "noble" subcommittee members. This biased method of analysis cannot be appropriate without an alternate point of view. The absence of another opinion made the editorial as shallow as Osborne's "Red Rover" analogy. The controversy that must be settled should not deal with Bryan Gould's innocence, but with our paper's ability to address an issue fairly.

Bryan Gould's guilt can be found in his enthusiasm. It was his enthusiasm that led to his victory, and to his demise. Gould's opponent has admitted "reservations about the way his (Gould's) campaign was run." I'm sure one of these reservations is the enthusiasm his campaign lacked. Please forgive me Joel! I know I'm being critical when congratulations are in order. Do me a favor, will ya Joel? When you take your hard-earned seat as vice president, don't think about the "circumstantial" (your own word Joel) evidence that got you there; think of the 564 people that don't want you there.

Mike Majors
Junior in English

Nelson for County Assessor

To the editor:

Our current assessor is a good appraiser. He is not a good assessor. On the other hand, Charles Nelson is a good appraiser, and has had the training and experience to make a great assessor.

The County Assessor's office is not just an appraiser's office. It is a management and administrative position.

Nelson has many years of experience as a manager and an administrator. He served as an officer in the Air Force, retiring as Lt. Colonel. He accepted many challenging assignments, completing them well and earning commendations and awards.

He also has the training to be a good manager. He has an MBA, and has, since his appointment to Chief Appraiser, attended many professional meetings, workshops and training sessions, often on his own time.

Mr. Rondeau has none of this experience or training. He has already made management decisions that have affected every taxpayer in Benton County. One of which he admitted to in the paper (May 9) and, after years of refusing to change it, is changing it now one week before the election. How many other first-time manager mistakes do we have to pay for?

Let's vote for someone who is already trained and knowledgeable, with experience as a manager and administrator. Vote for Charles Nelson, Benton County Assessor.

Kathy Blake
Senior in Education

Gould hearing a travesty

To the editor:

I would like to comment on David Osborne's Fencing letter (May 6) and on the treatment of the Bryan Gould campaign controversy in general.

I believe that the May 4 hearing on the alleged campaign rules violations was a travesty. The members of the elections subcommittee asked that they have the hearings read to them right before the hearing commenced. Not only did Karen Garrison, the current V.P. for Senate, read the hearings procedures to them, she told them how to formulate a ruling! Garrison, who was an open supporter of Joel Corcoran, Mr. Gould's opponent in the V.P. for

Senate race, assumed the role of judge, and left the subcommittee as the jury.

Suppose that Michael Dukakis were to stand trial on charges of campaign improprieties. Would Ronald Reagan ever be able to instruct the jury by saying, "You're not here to determine whether or not Dukakis influenced enough votes to change the outcome of the election, but only whether a violation took place"? I think that any court in the land would hold that such an instruction would be a gross abuse of executive power. But this is exactly what Garrison did. By telling the jury that they were not to take into consideration the number of votes that Mr. Gould could have garnered during the time in which the alleged violations took place, she overstepped her bounds to an enormous extent and may

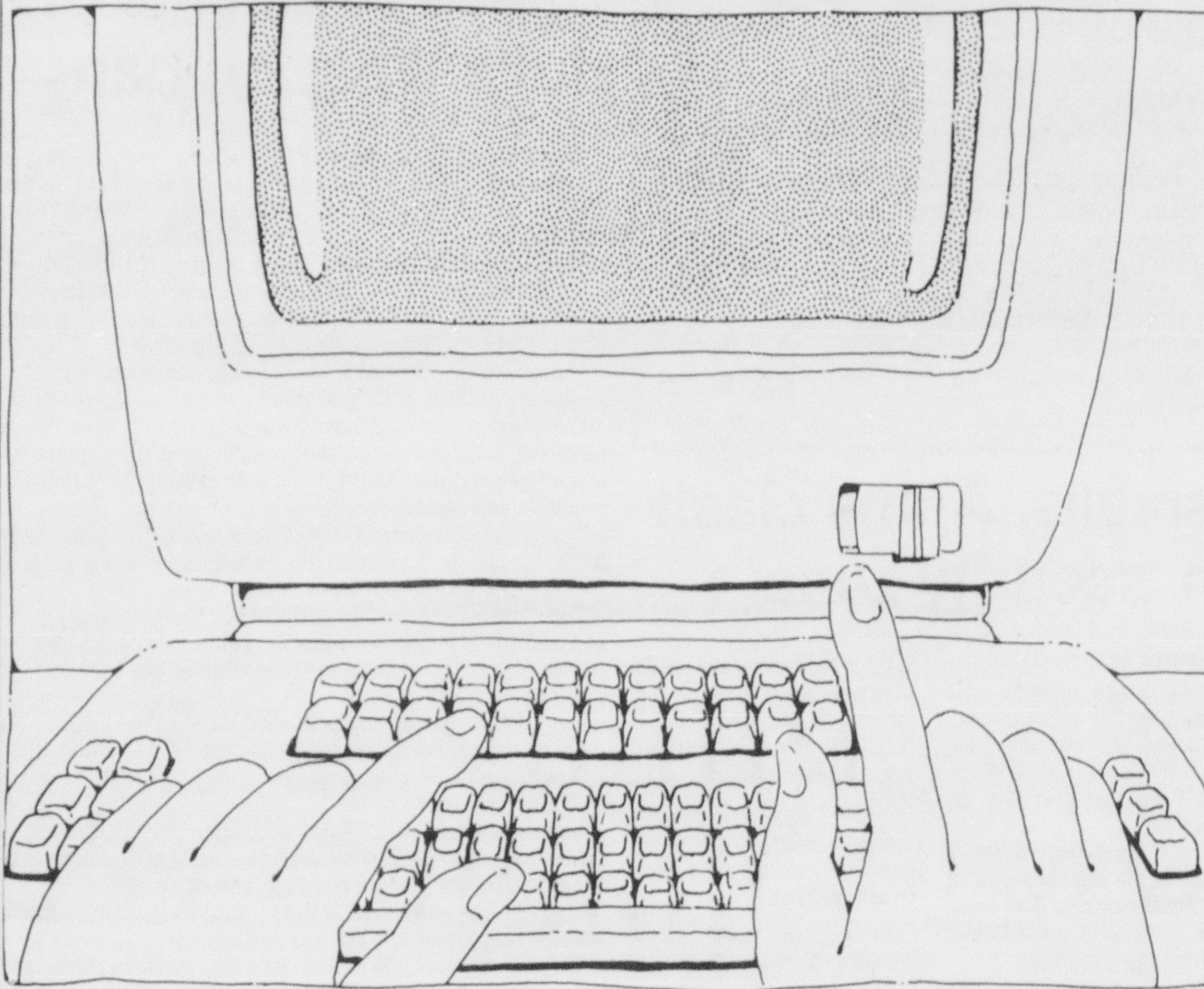
have changed the eventual verdict and/or the sentence handed down by the subcommittee.

While I was delivering my testimony, which centered around the constitutionality of the evidence presented at the hearing, one of the subcommittee members chuckled. That makes one wonder how seriously my testimony was taken.

Mr. Osborne, as to your comment that I should "clean off those glasses and wake up to the real world," I reply by asking that in the future you keep such childish comments to yourself. My glasses are kept very clean, and I've had a hell of a lot of experience in the real world, thank you.

Aaron D. Horenstein
Junior in Political Science

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73-year beer ban in Iceland ends

REYKJAVIK, Iceland (UPI) — Parliament Tuesday narrowly approved legislation removing Iceland's 73-year-old ban on the consumption of beer, presenting prohibitionists with a staggering defeat.

The legislation, drafted annually but heretofore always doused by prohibitionists, was passed 13-to-8 early in the morning following lengthy and often emotional debate. It will permit the local sale of beer beginning next March.

The debate in the upper chamber of the Althing, Iceland's parliament, was broadcast live across the North Atlantic island nation.

Throughout the night, parliament's switchboard was jammed by would-be beer drinkers seeking the latest details of the debate.

In the past, teetotalers in parliament have been successful in filibustering the attempts to legalize beer. But last-minute motions to delay the vote failed.

Two amendments, one calling for an alcohol-awareness campaign, and the other specifying that finance and health ministers approve the price of beer, were defeated in 12-to-9 votes.

Any change in the bill would have sent it back to the 42-person lower chamber and delayed final action until the fall.

Prohibitionists, harkening back to their Viking ancestors who were turned wild by mead, said legalization of beer will exert a negative influence on the nation's younger generation.

"Beer will mean a tremendous increase of drinking by young people and, as a mother of two teenagers, I say no to this," said Margret Frimannsdottir, a member of parliament from the Communist Leftist People's Alliance.

Under threats from Spain to stop buying Icelandic saltfish, Iceland excluded wine from the general prohibition in 1922. When liquor also was legalized in 1935, the beer ban was maintained to appease the powerful temperance lobby.

Israelis, Arabs clash in 'security zone'

JERUSALEM (UPI) — Israeli troops clashed with Arab guerrillas in Israel's self-declared "security zone" in southern Lebanon early Tuesday, killing one guerrilla, the army said.

The fighting erupted before dawn in the central sector of the buffer zone near Bent Jbail, five miles north of the Israeli border, the army said.

Troops recovered a Katyusha rocket and two anti-vehicle land mines near the body of the slain guerrilla, an Israel Defense Forces statement said.

The terrorist squad was apparently about to infiltrate in-

to the security zone and lay the mines on roads used by IDF forces," the statement said. It didn't identify the guerrillas' group affiliation.

Other guerrilla squad members escaped and there were no casualties among Israeli soldiers.

An estimated 1,000 Israeli troops, backed by the 2,000-strong South Lebanon Army, patrol the security zone, which extends up to nine miles into southern Lebanon. Israel established the zone in June 1985 to prevent cross-border rocket and terrorist attacks.

Polish workers end strike, admit defeat

GDANSK, Poland (UPI) — Workers at the besieged Lenin Shipyard admitted defeat on Tuesday in their showdown with the government and decided to end their nine-day-old strike for higher wages and official recognition of the banned Solidarity union.

The holdout workers, who occupied the huge yard with Solidarity founder Lech Walesa, announced an end to the walkout after their numbers dwindled to no more than 1,000 during the past few days and police tightened a cordon around the shipyard.

In a communique read to reporters at St. Brigida's Church in Gdansk by Adam Michnik, a Solidarity adviser and Walesa's close associate, the strike committee at the shipyard where Solidarity was born in 1980 said, "We took a sovereign decision to end the strike."

But "We shall not give up struggling for the revival of the union because there is no freedom without Solidarity," said the strikers in the communique sent out of the shipyard. "We failed to win, but we managed to express our protest."

The capitulation came after police tightened their grip on the shipyard and a priest appealed urgently for medicine and food for the dwindling band of defiant workers.

Two messengers, an 18-year-old woman and a 23-year-old man, were "brutally beaten" by riot police as they tried to sneak out of the shipyard during the night, Solidarity adviser Adam Michnik said Tuesday.

Danes to decide on nuke weapon ban

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (UPI) — Danes voted Tuesday in a parliamentary election aimed at resolving whether to tighten a peacetime ban on nuclear weapons, a plan government officials said would threaten the nation's NATO membership.

The polls opened under sunny skies at 9 a.m. (3 a.m. EDT) on a normal working day for Danes who traditionally vote in the afternoon after work. Polling stations will close at 8 p.m. (2 p.m. EDT). About 3.3 million Danes are eligible to vote.

The latest polls published in the Scandinavian country indicated no political coalition is likely to emerge with a clear-cut majority.

The election was called on April 19 by Conservative Prime Minister Poul Schluter after the Social Democratic-led majority in the nine-party parliament adopted a resolution hardening the country's anti-nuclear stance.

The resolution required the four-party minority government to notify visiting navy captains that it's illegal to bring nuclear weapons into Danish territorial waters.

Three late polls showed the socialist bloc that favors the resolution leading the four-party minority coalition of centrist parties. But the size of the socialist lead varies from 3 to 8 percentage points in the three surveys.

The Vilstrop Institute poll published Sunday gives the socialist coalition an eight-point lead of 45-37 percent. But a Gallup Institute poll published on Monday gave the socialist bloc a more narrow 43-38.8 percent lead.

And the authoritative Observa Institute predicted in a poll published Sunday that the socialist bloc would take 42 percent to 39 percent for the four-party ruling minority coalition.

The polls suggested none of the political blocs would gather a working majority in the 179-seat parliament.

The United States and Britain said the resolution challenged their policy of neither confirming nor denying the presence of nuclear arms on their warships. Washington has said the resolution undermines unity in the NATO alliance, and Britain added that it had to reconsider whether it would ship reinforcements to Denmark in a crisis.

Denmark straddles the strategic approaches to the Baltic Sea, where the Soviets have 50 percent of their naval repair facilities.

"Authorities gave assurances they will not use violence and in the meantime they beat two young people," Michnik said.

In Lublin in southeastern Poland, about 500 students staged a street demonstration in support of the strikers inside the country's second biggest shipyard, dissident sources said.

"Police used batons to disperse them and two persons were detained," one source said.

In the southern city of Krakow, where riot police last week put down a sit-in strike at a foundry, many high-school students boycotted classes, Solidarity sources said.

A cordon of police has been in place around the Gdansk yard since last week and more officers were put into position on Tuesday, a day after the workers rebuffed a government offer to end the walkout. Michnik said authorities had "tightened the ring around the shipyard and it is hard to get in and out."

The strike, which began May 2, has been a central focal point in a two-week wave of walkouts in Poland that began after the government implemented stiff price increases as part of an economic restructuring program.

Government spokesperson Jerzy Urban said, Tuesday, 10 people were arrested for organizing strikes, misdemeanor courts sentenced 20 people up to three months in jail and 111 were fined nationwide in the course of several days. He didn't specify how long a period his figures covered.

S. African editors protest press curbs

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (UPI) — The editors of 26 South African newspapers Tuesday signed a petition to the minister of home affairs in an unprecedented joint protest against government moves to stifle the press.

The petition was sent to Minister of Home Affairs Stoffel Botha, who in the past two months has shut down two anti-government weekly newspapers for publishing allegedly subversive material.

"We believe that the minister's concern may be less about press incitement to revolution than about coercing all the media into adopting a uniform attitude — a subservience not in the interests of South Africa," the petition said.

"We, the editors of South African newspapers, are concerned at the mounting political pressure on the press and ask, in the public interest, that the unnecessary restrictions under the emergency regulations be eased," the petition said.

Acting under the 1986 state of emergency, renewed in 1987, Botha ordered on March 22 the three-month closure of the weekly New Nation, published by the Roman Catholic Church, and on May 9 the weekly Cape Town South for one month.

He also has threatened to take similar action against the Weekly Mail.

The petition said "we believe the ministerial banning of the New Nation and the threat to silence the Weekly Mail and other newspapers and journals are against the national interest."

"We have no knowledge of any recognized publication that is fomenting violent revolution. If the minister has any evidence of so serious a crime, we believe he should submit it to the courts," the petition said.

The editors said, "In the interest of the freedoms, standards and values which all of us, including the government, profess to support, we ask that the Rule of Law be restored."

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Senate delays action on INF treaty; Soviets warned

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Senate leaders, delaying action on the INF treaty despite the approach of the Moscow summit, are calling on the Soviet Union to keep the agreement on track by resolving concerns about several specific provisions.

"These issues can be resolved very quickly or they can't be resolved," said Sen. William Cohen of Maine, ranking Republican on the Intelligence Committee, after the leadership acted Monday with apparent administration blessing.

"The treaty will not be brought up on Wednesday (as scheduled)," announced Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia. "It's obvious that not only have the problems of earlier surfaced, new problems seem to have arisen."

"We've had an alarming indication that the Soviets may be backing away from what we think is very clear language of the treaty in the on-site inspection area," explained Intelligence Committee Chairman David Boren, D-Okla.

The Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty, signed by President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev five months ago, provides for unprecedented mutual inspection of the dismantling of land-based superpower missiles with ranges of 300 to 3,400 miles, most of which are deployed in Europe.

Cohen speculated the Soviets might be attempting to exploit a timetable for treaty ratification before the pending summit in Moscow, May 29 to June 2.

"It's somewhat surprising, frankly," he told reporters. "It is somewhat befuddling to try and comprehend why they might run the risk of jeopardizing the ratification process itself."

Byrd reiterated that the Senate would not work by an administration-imposed deadline, and he said the treaty would not come before the Senate for debate and a vote on ratification until all problems are resolved — in writing.

Yet "hopefully the Soviets will be able to resolve these matters,"

he said, suggesting the treaty could come up as early as the end of the week if U.S. officials return satisfied from discussions with the Soviets in Geneva.

There was no immediate comment from Soviet officials in Washington, but the postponement was unlikely to be seen as encouraging on either side considering the long months of negotiations and public hoopla over the INF signing on Dec. 8.

Byrd and Senate Republican leader Robert Dole of Kansas said the decision was made in consultation with administration officials. Dole said the president's advisers "shared the concerns" over the inspection questions.

National security adviser Colin Powell, leaving a series of meetings Monday, called the postponement "not a bad outcome."

The Senate treaty leaders, including Boren, Cohen and Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., the Armed Services Committee chairman, all blamed the Soviets for the problems though none would be specific.

Bennett steps down; aims to write book

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Yet another member of the Reagan administration is leaving government to pick up the pen, but Education Secretary William Bennett's book is expected to focus more on policy and less on personality.

Bennett, the outspoken head of the Education Department since February 1985, said Monday he will resign in mid-September to write a book about the nation's education establishment.

Department spokesman Loye Miller said Bennett is working on a book contract and "if there is demand for it, he will talk on the lecture circuit pretty much as he is now, but for a change, he will get paid for it."

The book, said Miller, will be Bennett's "very candid" view of American education and not a "kiss-and-tell" book about the administration such as those by departed presidential aides Donald Regan, Larry Speakes and Michael Deaver. "It's something he wants to get off his chest."

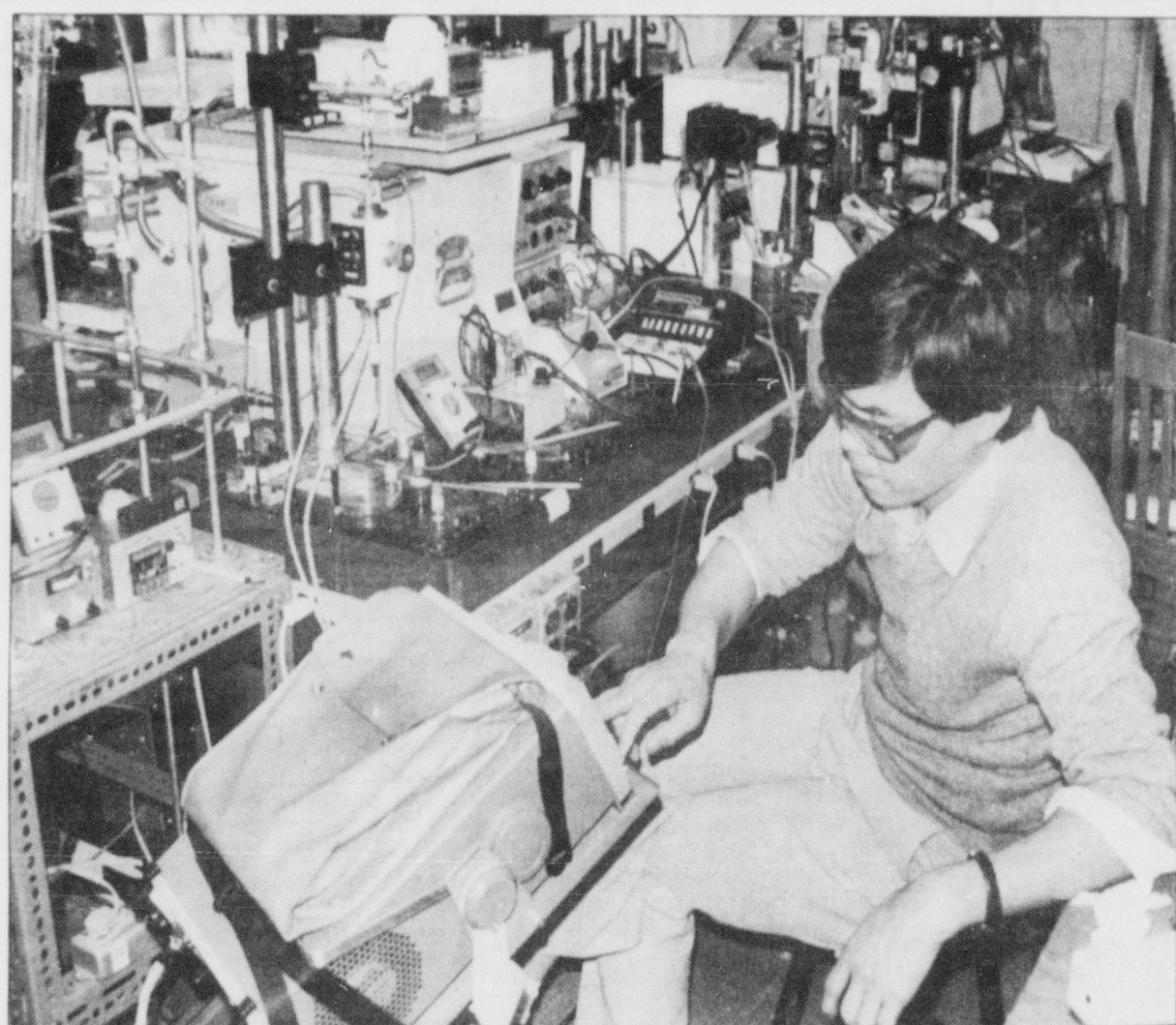
Bennett announced his decision after meeting Monday with President Reagan and department staff.

"He expressed his gratitude to President Reagan for the opportunity to serve in this Cabinet," said a department statement. "The secretary reiterated to his staff his intention to continue 'at full speed ahead' during the next few months."

As secretary, Bennett has drawn both praise and criticism for his starkly stated conservative views in and outside the classroom.

He has been blunt in castigating American public education for what he sees as its failure to provide quality education and has been an outspoken proponent of providing aid to private, parochial schools.

Gene Wilhoit, executive director of the National Association of State Boards of Education, praised Bennett for promoting the debate over education reforms but said, "I think we would have liked to have seen increased federal financial commitment to education at this time."



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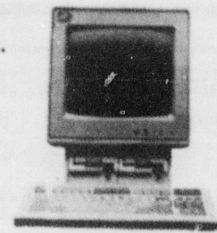


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In addition to raising funds for ADA's research and education programs, participants are eligible to win one of two grand prizes—a mountain bike or an AM-FM radio—and other prizes donated by local merchants plus all will receive a free Big Mac from MacDonald's.

Prizes will be awarded on a money-raised basis, with the top prize going to the person who raised the most money in collected pledges. Any participant who raises \$50 or more by June 1 will receive a T-shirt.

Sponsored locally by Bike 'n' Hike, KFLY Radio, and Lions International, Bike Ride Plus offers each participant the chance to win one of the following national prizes: a seven-day cruise for two aboard the flagship SS CostaRiviera to St. Thomas, St. Croix and Nassau, donated by CostaCruises, Inc., or a seven-night stay at Donald Trump's Paradise Island

Resort and Casino in the Bahamas.

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Other local sponsors are Bank of Corvallis, Timber Hill Athletic Club, Payless, First Interstate Bank, OSU Radio Club, Roth's IGA, Pepsi Bottling Co., Unique Gifts, Deb's Hallmark, Izzie's Pizza, and Campus Bikes.

To find out how to become a participant in Bike Ride Plus, pick up a brochure and entry form at McDonald's and other restaurants, bike shops, and local stores, or call Mary Keith at 752-2177.

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From the Bro's

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Sassy Suzy (CYT)

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Jon and Michelle
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Little Bro, Jeff

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Shannon: Thirty-six See
Greg: How Big is It?
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CALENDAR

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Note: All events listed in the calendar are
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editing.

WEDNESDAY

Meetings
Campus Crusade for Christ, 6:30 p.m.,
MU East, Forum.

**H & PE Student Council, 4:30 p.m., WB
207.**

**OSU Gospel Choir, 5:30-7:30 p.m.,
Westminster House.**

**OSU Tennis Club, 8-10 p.m., Tennis
Pavilion. Men's Practice. Ken, 753-3374.**

OSU Diving Club, 6:30 p.m., MU 105.

**Blue Key — New Members!, 8:45 p.m.,
OSU Credit Union Prkg Lot.**

Blue Key — Old Members, 10 p.m., Deli.

**Interfraternity Council, 7:30 p.m., MU
106.**

Evangelical Students, 3:30 p.m., MU 102.
Current issues by Pastor Darrell
Mishler with Biblical application.

**Student Foundation, 5:29 p.m., JC's
Pizzeria.**

Class
Career Planning & Placement, 10:30
a.m., Ad. Bldg. B008, Rm. 24.
Orientation.

Entertainment
Armchair Adventure, 12:30 p.m., Outdoor
Rec. Center. Towers of Pain National
Park, Chile.

Speakers
Women's Center, 12-1 p.m., Benton An-
nex. Speaker: Diane Dungan, owner of
Image Brokers and OSU Career
Counselor. Topic: "Interview
Techniques For The Job Seeker."

OSU History Club, 8 p.m., MU 212.
Speaker: Prof. Gary Ferngren. Topic:
"Greek History in Stones"

Miscellaneous

United Campus Ministries, 11:45 a.m.-1
p.m., Westminster House. Soup 'n San.

OSU Campus Blood Drive, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.,
MU Ballroom.

Lutheran Campus Ministry, 8 p.m.,
Luther House.

MU Craft Center, MU East, ground floor.
Native Am. & African Beading
Workshop. Earrings & Bracelets. Pre-
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MU Creative Art, 8:30 a.m.-11 p.m., MU
Concourse Gallery. ARTMARKS: MU
Craft Center Instructors' Exhibit.

THURSDAY

Meetings
Cultural Minorities Networking, 12-1
p.m. Canceled! Go to hear Jesse
Jackson in Gill Col.

**State Affairs Task Force, NO MEETING
TODAY!**

Sr. Class Council, 7 p.m., Clod's.

YES, 7 p.m., MU 110.

**Students of Objectivism, 7 p.m., Kidder
276.** Videotaped debate: "Capitalism
vs. Socialism: Which is the Moral
System?"

Silent Lunch, 12-1 p.m., Women's Center.
Communication via sign language.
Brown bag.

OSU Mtn. Club, 8 p.m., MU 207.

**Anthro Club, 3:30 p.m., Waldo —
Neumann Libr.**

**OSU Women in International Develop-
ment, 3:30-5 p.m., MU 208.**

Class
Career Planning & Placement, 2:30 p.m.,
Ad. Bldg. B008, Rm. 24. Cooperative
Education.

Entertainment
MUPC, 12:30 p.m., MU Lounge. A la
Carte. Harp Guitar — John Doan.

Miscellaneous
Women's Center, 12-1 p.m., Benton An-
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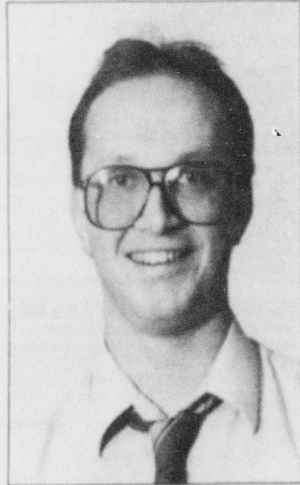
Meet next year's student media managers

Gary L. West was appointed editor of the *Summer Barometer* Tuesday, rounding out the selections for next year's student media managers.

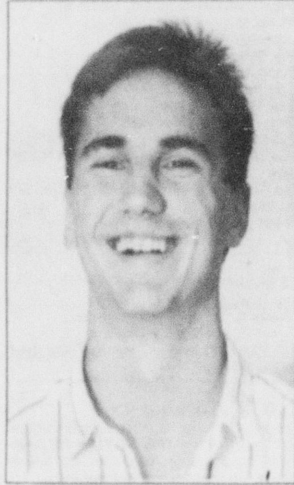
West, currently the managing editor of the *Baro*, was chosen by the University Student Media Committee.

Scott Smith has been chosen to fill the position of *Barometer* business manager. Smith is currently an advertising representative for the *Baro*, and will assume his position over the summer.

Leslie Joyce has been



G. L. West



Scott Smith



Leslie Joyce



Kerri Kuykendall



Lisa Cady

chosen as the next *Prism* editor. Joyce has worked as an assistant to editor Jeff Knight

for the past year. Kerri Kuykendall has been appointed editor of the *Beaver*

yearbook. She has worked on the yearbook staff for several terms, handling design and

layout. Finally, Lisa Cady has been chosen business manager for

the *Beaver*. Cady has worked on the yearbook staff for two terms.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



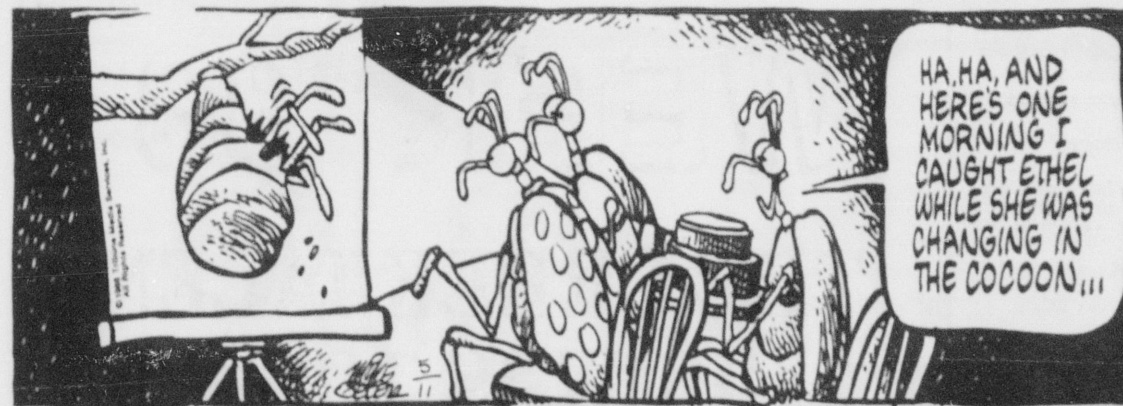
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Grounds crews keep spring bursting out all over

By PAUL INMAN
of the Barometer

With the arrival of spring, the efforts of OSU's green-thumb team are coming to full-bloom.

Operating with a \$400,000 annual budget and 19 full-time employees, it's up to the Physical Plant's grounds crew, the unsung heroes of campus aesthetics, to keep up the many lawns and shrubberies around the 168-acre campus.

According to Jim Miller, supervisor of the crew, two full-time employees must work five days a week just to mow OSU's 88 acres of irrigated lawn.

These equipment operators ride a pair of lawn mowers worth \$23,000.

"We're trying to work with a couple of back-up drivers, but you don't turn just anyone loose with a \$23,000 lawn mower," Miller said.

Although it may seem like a simple task to ride around and mow the lawn every day, Miller said crew members have to know the area well or else there will be missed patches of grass or damaged equipment to pay for.

Other greenery includes 23 acres of shrub beds that have to be weeded and tended every week, more than 1,400 trees of all kinds and "thousands" of rhododendrons and azaleas.

The rhododendrons and azaleas are the most common and numerous plants on campus, Miller said.

Obviously all this foliage and acreage doesn't stay green on its own, particularly during the summer months when it doesn't rain as frequently.

That's where the watering crews come in. According to Miller, watering hoses, some of which reach 3,000 feet in length and are extreme-

ly heavy, are loaded on a truck in June and taken to the areas where they are needed.

Workers move the hoses among the shrubs by hand and then leave them in place until October, when Mother Nature takes over the watering duties.

This year, the grounds crew tried a different kind of lawn fertilizer that was applied only once in the fall. Thirteen tons of this organic, slow-releasing fertilizer was spread on the lawns and flower beds throughout campus.

"Using this, we saved labor and got excellent results. All through the fall, winter and spring, the lawns have never lost their color," Miller said.

The OSU grounds crew has a licensed pesticide operator who is responsible for the majority of herbicide and pesticide applications on campus, he said.

In addition to keeping the campus plants healthy and pest-free, the grounds crew is responsible for picking up daily litter.

"On the average, my crew spends 19 to 20 man-hours per week just on litter," Miller said.

The wages for litter removal are about \$400 per week, he said, but not all of the blame for litter belongs to students.

"It's not just the students. It's the business district with people buying Big Gulps, and sandwiches and then the trash is not making it to the trash cans," Miller said.

To this end, the crew will be installing 30 new trash cans between Monroe St. and Campus Way this spring, he said.

The litter problem was significantly reduced when recycling bins for local campus newspapers were made available, he said.



The Mowing Man

An OSU groundskeeper takes advantage of the recent good weather to mow grass around Kerr Library. According to crew supervisor Jim Miller, it takes two full-time employees working five days a week to keep the campus' 88 acres of irrigated lawn mowed.

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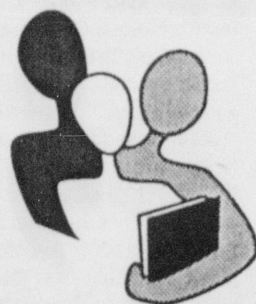
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NHL incompetence

By CAMERON SCHETTER
of the Barometer

Just when we thought the Pete Rose fiasco was over, John Ziegler and the National Hockey League have picked up where National League President Bart Giamatti left off.

After the New Jersey Devils lost game three to the Boston Bruins, 6-1, on Friday night, Devils coach Jim Schoenfeld approached referee Don Koharski and criticized Koharski for what Schoenfeld felt was poor officiating. During the confrontation, Koharski allegedly was bumped by Schoenfeld and fell down in the tunnel between the ice and the locker room.

Candid Cameron

Replays seem to indicate that Koharski tripped over his own skates, but the NHL office, who apparently took the weekend off during the most important part of the hockey season, didn't review a tape of the incident. On Sunday, Schoenfeld was suspended by the league office for one game, which started a comedy of events that the NHL would soon like to forget.

The suspension was handed down by Brian O'Neill, the NHL's executive vice president, without reviewing the video tapes. Ziegler, the NHL president, was gone for the weekend and the NHL couldn't track down its head honcho.

When the suspension was announced, the Devils obtained a court injunction allowing Schoenfeld to coach in Sunday night's 3-1 victory over the Bruins. The referees, however, boycotted the game to protest the Devils' court injunction, and the game was finally umpired by amateur officials after a 67-minute delay.

On Tuesday, Ziegler (who probably read something in Monday's newspapers and felt 'Hey, I better drop by the office today') met with Schoenfeld in a four and one-half hour meeting and handed down the following penalty: a one-game suspension for Schoenfeld affective for game five, a \$1,000 fine for Schoenfeld, and a \$10,000 fine leveled against the Devils.

Now the questions:

(1) Where was Ziegler during this embarrassing crisis? USA Today's Tom Weir put it best: "NHL President John Ziegler pulled a Greta Garbo, and not even the NHL office knew his whereabouts. Would Peter Ueberroth, Pete Rozelle or David Stern sit out a controversy that threatened to oust a coach at the World Series, Super Bowl or NBA Finals?" Well put.

Most league presidents or commissioners in professional sports are in attendance during post-season play, and most seem to keep abreast of what's going on — except for Ziegler. His absence during the latest NHL boondoggle is inexcusable, and Ziegler will forever be remembered as an unauthoritative, bumbling leader — unlike Ueberroth, Rozelle and Stern.

(2) Was Schoenfeld right or wrong? This is a tough call — NHL coaches get away with murder when it comes to complaining about the officiating. Ziegler has tried to put a muzzle on coaches during the past couple of years by handing out fines, but with little effect.

The one-game suspension and fine may be due punishment, especially when you consider how bad Rose was shafted. But in Schoenfeld's defense, he wasn't granted a hearing by the NHL office, nor was his incident reviewed before Sunday's game. Sunday's punishment handed down by the NHL's quasi-leader was poorly handled and badly timed.

(3) Were the Devils right or wrong? Since the Devils weren't granted a hearing before Sunday's ruling, one would consider the court injunction obtained by the Devils a necessary act. Whether you're a hockey fan or not, this is where the big question arises — what will be the effect of the Devils' restraining order (which is considered a precedent) not only in the NHL, but in professional sports? Only time will tell.

(4) Were the NHL referees correct in boycotting the game? Definitely not. Not only was the game poorly officiated, but it made a spectacle of a playoff hockey game. The integrity of the game, as well as the NHL, was put on the line.

Johnson's air-tight defense at shortstop should win him OSU's Gold Glove award

By SHAWN SCHOEFFLER
of the Barometer

Somebody once said, "practice makes perfect."

Such is the case for Oregon State baseball player Ben Johnson, who has been almost perfect in fielding at the shortstop position this year.

Johnson, a red-shirt sophomore, has spent three years at Oregon State improving his defensive ability and has now proven himself as one of the best infielders in the Pacific-10 Conference.

The smooth-playing shortstop currently has a fielding percentage of .968 and has committed only six errors this season.

Johnson attributes his defensive excellence to the countless number of ground balls he has fielded during practice over the last three years.

"The biggest thing is getting out every day and fielding ground balls," Johnson said. "Once you're in a rhythm, it makes things much easier."

The Sheldon High graduate feels his defensive play has improved, thanks to the help of head coach Jack Riley.

"In high school, I had a lot of good tools but I didn't have the basic fundamentals," Johnson said. "Coach Riley is the best infield coach around and he has really helped my defensive play."

Even though Johnson doesn't feel his defensive play was outstanding in high school, he was the Midwestern Valley League MVP and won his team's Golden Glove award.

"I wasn't that great in high school but right now, I feel I'm a good fielder," Johnson said.

Johnson is definitely a good fielder as he is a shoo-in to win the Beaver's 1988 Golden Glove award. In fact, he hadn't committed an error in a conference game until this past weekend when he made three errors.

"Everybody's going to make errors," said Johnson, who has a personal goal of no more than five errors throughout the course of the season. "Taking ground balls every day really helps but there's always room for improvement."

A part of the game that Johnson really wants to improve is his hitting. He's currently hitting .282 through 38 games with 23 RBI, eight doubles, one triple, and one home run. He is also tied for third on the team with game-winning hits but still feels his statistics are deceiving.

"Hitting has been kind of a struggle," Johnson said. "Right now I'm struggling with the philosophy of hitting and making bad decisions."

Johnson is coming off a big

game Monday against the University of Washington when he doubled, tripled and scored three times in the first game. He still, however, feels his hitting is keeping him from being an all-around ball player.

"I'm getting exploited at every at-bat," Johnson said. "I need to start swinging at strikes and look for good pitches. It's hard to try to put the whole package together."

Johnson, like every other Beaver baseball player, is disappointed with this season since everyone expected a very successful year.

"We had high expectations at the beginning of the year," he said. "I think we still have a pretty good baseball team. We

just can't put it all together."

The Beavers know they can't win the Northern Division crown but they're aiming for second place so they can have another chance to face league-leading Washington State.

"We played them (Washington State) tough every time," Johnson said. "I think we can beat anybody if we put it all together. Anything can happen."

The future is looking bright for both the Oregon State baseball team and Johnson, as the Oregon native has two more seasons left with the program.

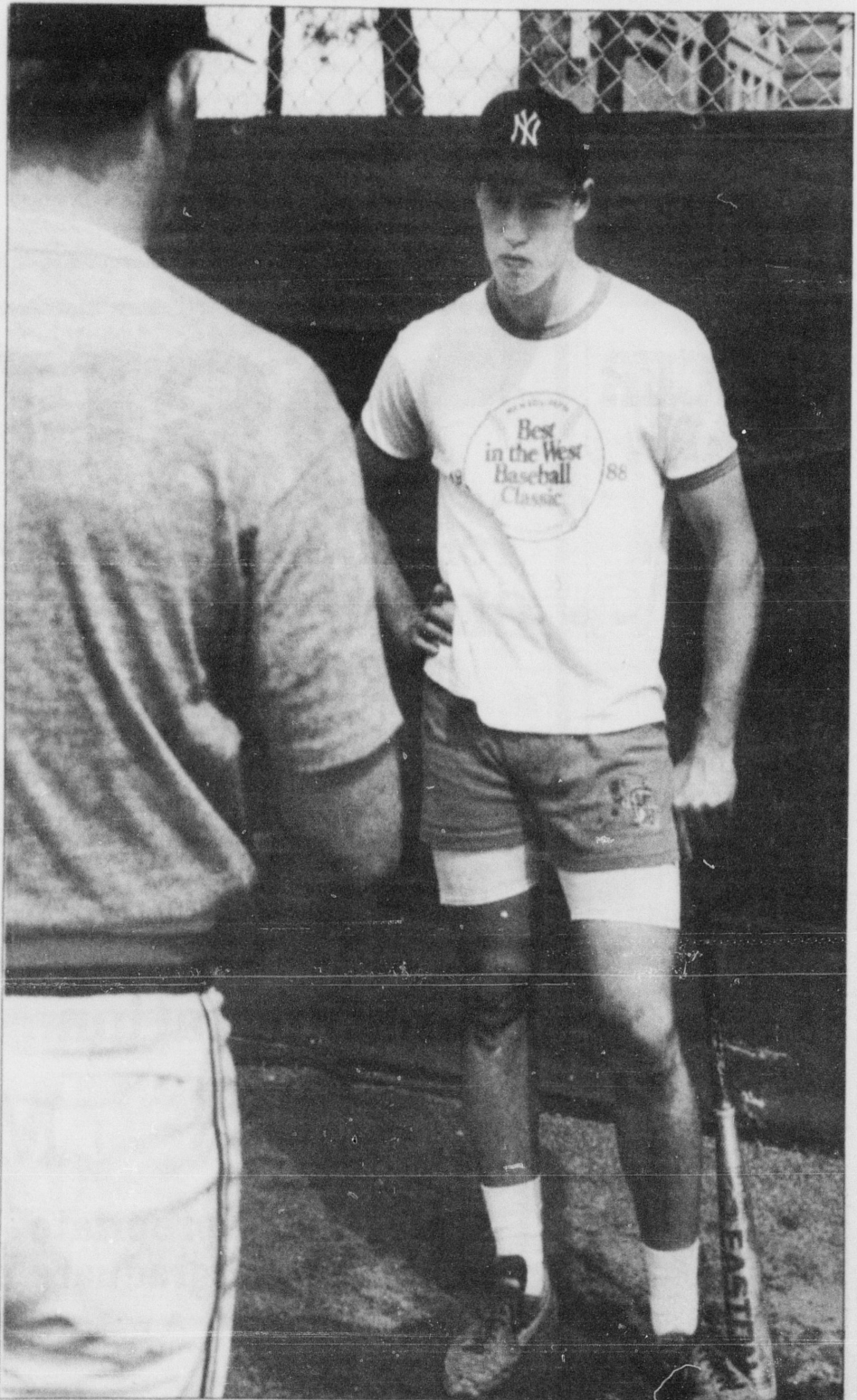
He was forced to red-shirt his freshman year when he broke a finger against Notre Dame when he was hit by a pitch. In

fact, Johnson seems to be a friendly target for opposing pitchers as he is currently tied with the school record of getting hit by pitches with 11.

Whether he's struggling at the plate or getting hit by pitches, Johnson can always rely on his fielding to carry him through. He still feels there's room for improvement and is always looking for better and higher goals.

"At the end of the year you need to see where you are and where you are going," he said. "That's the biggest concern for me right now."

"I'm really looking forward to improving year to year. It's like climbing stairs — you want to get better and better."



STEVE WILKOWSKA/Daily Barometer

Beaver shortstop Ben Johnson listens to advice from Coach Curt Kamp on how to improve his batting during Tuesday practice. While his swing may need improvement, Johnson's record as a defensive player is, with a fielding percentage of .968, near perfect.