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Roadrunners asked to relocate races

John Cheadle

Members of the Roadrunner Car Club have been asked by Dean of Students Lee Archibald, to find an alternate location for their rallies.

The club has been using the west end of the LBCC parking lot for auto-cross rallies for the last two years. In a letter to Phyllis Williams, chairperson of the Programming Council, Archibald stated that he was concerned about the continued use of the parking lot for the auto-cross activities.

He said that auto-cross is the type of activity that carries with it a high risk of injury or accident, and that the public might not understand a public school using its parking lot for this purpose.

Archibald also thinks that LBCC has greatly increased its liability by inviting individuals who are not students to participate in the rallies.

According to Archibald, one of the reasons for the decision to ask the Roadrunners to relocate is their recent affiliation with the Western Oregon and Washington Association of Car Clubs (referred to as WOW).

Archibald feels that since WOW is not a student organization and involves people from all over the Northwest, it would not be appropriate for LBCC to become a regional center for auto-cross activities.

"The primary purpose of a parking lot is parking," stated Archibald. "As the institution increases its activity on Saturday and Sunday, there will be a

greater demand for parking areas."

Dick Collinson, chairperson of the Roadrunners, feels that the administration is being a little unreasonable with their decision to cancel auto-cross at LBCC. He said that the LBCC parking lot is by far the best site for auto-cross anywhere between Eugene and Portland.

As for the safety aspect of auto-cross, Collinson stated that there has never been an accident at a rally in the LBCC parking lot.

"We have tried to allow for the worst possible accident in planning each event. Every consideration is given to the safety of both the drivers and the spectators," said Collinson.

"Each vehicle entering the event is subject to a complete technical inspection before it is allowed on the course," added Collinson.

Collinson also said that having WOW as the sanctioning body for the club brings with it complete insurance coverage for personal injury and property damage.

Collinson feels that some of the obvious benefits of the auto-cross are that it gives would-be racers an opportunity to learn how their cars will respond in an emergency situation. Also in Collinson's words, "It gets 'em off the streets."

At this time there is one more auto-cross scheduled for June 20. The administration has given approval for this event but they have made it clear that they hope it is the last one at LBCC. □



Bill Lanham

A carefree craftsman blows a happy sax at last Sunday's version of mixed music & crafts. The Spring Benefit concert was held at the Benton County Fairgrounds to raise money for various organizations in need.

LBCC grade system allows withdrawal from class up to finals

by Jim Gray

The end of spring term has arrived, and with it comes final grades. One student, Donald, has had problems and has missed half of his classes. He is getting an F—or is he?

If Donald has any smarts at all, he withdrew from the class, which he has the option to do right up to finals week. And even if Donald didn't withdraw, his teacher might have done it for him. But why?

From talking to various teachers at LBCC, one reason is the fact that W's (withdrawals) are worth no credit, like F's, but do not hurt grade point averages. "I give W's instead of F's," said Barbarajene Williams, a writing teacher. "W's are an alternative to D's and F's."

Last term, 2420 W's were issued on student report cards, compared to only 237 D's and 92 F's, according to Jon Carnahan, director of Admissions and Registrar. Carnahan also had figures showing that 3820 A's were released during this same period as well as 2637 B's and 1311 C's. "The average GPA (grade point average) at LBCC is above

3.00," said Carnahan. To be more accurate, the average GPA for last term was 3.18.

LBCC offers students the option of withdrawing from any classes up till finals week. This leaves open the possibility of students not passing class work, to accept a W on their report card rather than a D or F. A W does not hurt students' GPAs and does not hurt students transferring to four year colleges.

Business teacher Illa Atwood says that W's are better for students. "Students achieve what they want to achieve," she said. "If they want an A they'll work at it." This means if they don't work at it, their grades will be much lower, sometimes too low. In comes the W and out goes the D's and F's.

But some students take these lower grades. "Some people have to have some grades just to keep receiving financial aid," said Dave Perkins, mathematics teacher. Personally, Perkins favors the withdrawal program. "It helps the student not devastate his grade point," he pointed out. "But

there are other reasons students withdraw besides low grades," he added. "Sometimes it's because of financial reasons, or health reasons, or possibly that they find school boring." Whatever the case, he feels the W is to the student's advantage.

OSU does not have a withdrawal program that stretches out till finals week. At Oregon State, students can withdraw up till the fourth week and receive a W on their report card. After the fourth week the student will receive some grade based on his/her performance, no matter if the student attends the class or not. If the student chooses not to attend, the final grade will be an F. If the student is sick and can't attend class the final grade will be an F. There just simply are no exceptions, according to the OSU student manual.

"No institution has the perfect grading system," said Dave Perkins, but he favors LBCC's very much.

So it appears LBCC students can withdraw from any classes they might be having problems in—true, but not totally so.

It is true students can withdraw from

their difficult classes, but they must complete half of the credits they initially registered for. Failure to do so, puts the student on probation. But another LBCC benefit, not offered at other colleges, is that students can be on probation three straight terms before direct action is taken. And by three terms, the student should pretty well have his mind made up whether he wants to continue schooling or go into other areas of interest.

LBCC sees no reason to penalize a student who finds class work harder than he is willing to negotiate.

LBCC sees no reason to penalize a student who registered for a class and found out he didn't like it after all.

LBCC sees no reason to penalize a student who had financial problems, or health problems, or family troubles that forced him to miss a lot of school.

Donald won't be going home with that F he earned in class this term. He withdrew from that class just this week and will receive a W. And even if Donald hadn't withdrawn, it is likely his teacher would have done it for him. □

EDITORIAL

Feyerharm's parting shot, paranoid about the future

by Jeff Feyerharm

This is the last *Commuter* for the year, and, as a result, the last editorial I will write as editor. I have thought a lot about what I feel needs to be said.

Sitting down to write this editorial I discovered my thoughts centering on one thing. You see, I have a brand new baby. Ever since little Molly was born I have been thinking about her future and the future of all our children (my God, when she is my age the year will be 2002!).

I look at the condition the world is in today and hope for a better world for my little girl.

I see the air, water and land being polluted and hope my baby and all our children's children will see blue sky, crystal-clear water and green grass.

Where will Molly's children play as the cities expand and the forests are cut down?

I see deadly nuclear power plants spreading throughout the land and realize if it's not stopped radiation will kill us all.

I see the Russians and Japanese slaughtering the whales and wonder if Molly will grow up fast enough to see them before they are forever gone, as the growing number of extinct species man has already decided to do without.

I read about the DDT in mother's milk and wonder if little Molly isn't already being effected by our technological ignorance. I read of the millions of people who have been killed in the name of organized religion in countries all over the world and hope in God's name it ends in Molly's time if not ours.

I see that a handful of people own the world and hope that either someone stops them or that they (Rockefellers, Duponts, Howard Hughes, etc.) make the right decisions.

I see our government which is based on virtue being controlled by big business, which is based on profit.

I see oil companies ripping off the consumer and polluting the environment

and then having the nerve to use the profits to advertise how they are into the ecology.

I see our civil rights in jeopardy by the Nixonian concept of law and order, Senate Bill 1.

I see the sexism instilled in every boy and girl about how boys are tough and girls are emotional and hope I can teach her that she can be anything she wants to be.

I see the hate people harbor for anyone different from them and hope my baby learns to accept people for what they are.

You may wonder how with this bleak world facing me I could even have a child. Well, we discussed the world around us before deciding to have Molly.

We realized that with all that needs fixing in this world there is still a lot that is beautiful. There are still people who care, companies that aren't corrupt, politicians who are statesmen, forests that are green, skies that are blue and possibilities that are endless.

And we realized that the things that do need fixing can still be fixed. Many of them, however, need to be taken care of now or they will be beyond the point of correction.

We see millions of experiences and thoughts to share with little Molly.

Hopefully with our guidance she will learn to make her own decisions and be sensitive to life.

A verse from a song by Seals and Crofts sums up our feelings about Molly; "We shall have children of the kingdom, they won't be torn by war, nor will they kill or hate, or hesitate to love."

We realize that the world needs changing and we try our best to keep our own corner clean—but for Molly's sake as well as all the children in the world (if not for ourselves) let's make this world a better place to live. □

veterans' voice *A declaration for economic independence*

by Bob Lincoln

To the people of Linn and Benton counties from the veterans here at the college, thank *you* for continuing the greatest asset these two counties have, the continued education of its people.

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When you check in at work tomorrow, think about this. You will work your first 2 and-a-half hours of the

day just to pay your government taxes. Then think about where those taxes might be going, (subsidies, guaranteed loans, tax breaks and government insurance programs to assist foreign subsidiaries of America's global corporations). They might just be used to send your job to Taiwan.

If love of liberty and freedom mean owing my soul to the company and absentee ownership, no thanks!

Let the summer soldier and the sunshine patriot know the challenge is clear and the moment is now. "If ye

love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude better than the inspired contest of freedom, go home from us in peace. We ask not your counsels or arms. Crouch down and lick the hands which feed you. May your chains set lightly upon you and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen."—Sam Adams, 1776.

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LETTERS

Against public opinion

To the editor:

I considered voting "no" on the LBCC 1976-77 budget

because of the recent acts being taken by the school administrators—the elimination of Autocross and other student activities.

Asks for autocross

To the editor:

This is a request to the administration to let the Roadrunner Car Club resume having Autocross on campus once again.

Autocross' are good clean fun that put all us pseudo racers in a controlled race, instead of out on the streets causing traffic hazards.

Sincerely yours,
Brent Rea

There have been complaints about the lack of student involvement but when the students DO get involved in activities the administrators cancel them because of so-called bad "public opinion." You can't run a school without students and students want activities. From the way I see it: no activities—no students—no school. Administration...take your pick.

Sincerely,
Carol McCune

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Declaration of Economic Independence

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the economic bonds which have tied them to another, a decent respect for the opinions of humankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all people are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness—that to secure these rights, economic institutions are instituted among people, deriving their just power from the consent of the citizens; that whenever any economic system becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute a new economic system, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to affect their safety and happiness.

Prudence, indeed, will dictate that economic systems long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience has shown that people are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed.

But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such economic institutions and to provide new guards for their future security. Such has been the patient suffering of the American People; and such is now the necessity which compels us to alter our former economic system. The History of the present giant corporations is a History of repeated injuries and usurpations; all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute tyranny over these States. To prove this, let the facts be submitted to a candid World.

America's Giant Corporations have seized control over the great land and resources of our country.

They have systematically destroyed thousands of small businesses and forced millions of Americans to become wage serfs for the wealthy owners.

They have formed shared monopolies in virtually every major retail and wholesale industry, forcing millions of consumers to pay higher and higher prices for goods and services they cannot do without—these monopoly practices being the primary cause of runaway inflation.

They have forced millions of Americans into unemployment lines by systematically closing down their American plants and moving their business operations abroad so they can hire cheaper labor and reap still greater profits for their owners.

In the name of profit, they have expropriated billions of dollars of wealth produced by the working women and men of this country.

The Giant Corporations have

Pursued a policy of industrial negligence which kills 14,000 workers and permanently disables 900,000 more every year.

They have manufactured unsafe products that kill 30,000 and permanently disable 110,000 Americans each year.

They have used the energy crisis in order to double the price of fuel and make record gains in profit.

They have sold American wheat to the Russian Government, forcing a sharp rise in the cost of bread and other wheat products to the American consumer.

They have turned our Nation into a weapons factory, wasting valuable labor and resources that could be utilized for basic human needs.

They have fostered tensions and conflicts between races, sexes and ethnic groups in their arbitrary and discriminatory employment practices.

They have pillaged the resources, exploited the peoples, and systematically intervened in the domestic affairs of other nations in order to profit their corporate treasuries.

The Giant Corporations have subverted the Constitution of the United

States and the principle of Government of, by, and for the people
By illegally financing their own candidates for local, state and national office.

By placing their own supporters in key government commissions and regulatory agencies.

By using massive lobbying operations to virtually dictate the legislative direction of the State and Federal Governments, including the decisions on how our tax money is to be allocated.

It is these same corporate giants

That profess the strongest attachment to self-reliance, while pocketing billions of dollars of our tax money in the form of Government subsidies and special favors.

That profess their commitment to preserving their country's future, while systematically destroying our natural environment.

That herald the virtues of personal responsibility and accountability, while engaging in wholesale crime under the protection of their corporate charters.

America's giant corporations have issued a death sentence against the individual human spirit

By forcing millions of Americans to perform mindless functions eight hours per day inside the corporate machine.

By rewarding obedience, conformity, and dependency—and penalizing creative thinking, criticism, and independent judgment.

The Corporate Giants have violated our sacred rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness

By denying us adequate access to the means to sustain life.

By severely limiting our opportunities to choose the kind of work life we would like to lead.

By denying us a range of work choices that are potentially self-fulfilling and rewarding.

The corporations have created and perpetuated a small hereditary aristocracy, with wealth and power unrivaled in the annals of recorded history.

The Corporate System has proven itself to be grossly inefficient and wasteful, while the Corporate owners and managers have proven themselves to be incompetent to make prudent decisions that effect the economic well-being of the American people.

In their obsession with profits, their lust for absolute dominion over the life of this Nation, and their total disregard for the American people, Corporate owners and managers have plunged our country into its present state of economic chaos, destroyed the lives of millions of families, and threatened the very survival of the Republic.

In every stage of these oppressions, we have petitioned for redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. An economic system, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define an absolute tyranny, is unfit to claim the loyalty and allegiance of a free and democratic people.

We, therefore, the Citizens of the United States of America, hereby call for the abolition of these giant institutions of tyranny and the establishment of new economic enterprises with new laws and safeguards to provide for the equal and democratic participation of all American Citizens in the economic decisions that effect the well-being of our families, our communities, and our Nation. In furtherance of our joint hopes and aspirations, and mindful of the lessons of History, we steadfastly adhere to the general principle that a democratic Republic can only exist to the extent that economic decision-making power is broadly exercised by the people and not delegated to a few. Such is the necessity which compels us to act in support of decentralized economic enterprises, with ownership and control being shared jointly by the workers in the plants and by the local communities in which they operate—with similar patterns of shared representative control being exercised on a regional and National level to insure the smooth and efficient coordination of all economic operations. For the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor. Peoples Bicentennial Commission, Washington, D.C. 20036

Scandal in 'Commuter' hierarchy again, paper falters

by Bill Lanham

This article may sound like one of those scandalous ones that appear in one of those scandalous papers. But in fact...It is.

There is one difference, this one is true.

This is the story of a man of stone, *Commuter* Editor Jeff Feyerharm, who stood as a pillar holding the paper together. But alas, even the hardest of rock can crumble.

Feyerharm came to the *Commuter* at the beginning of fall term of this school year. At the time Hugh White was the editor with Feyerharm as managing or assistant editor. When White vacated his spot, it was only natural the second-in-command be appointed to the top spot.

Since the beginning of winter term Feyerharm has been at the head of what sometimes seems like a sinking ship. Fortunately though it never has sunk and much of the credit must go to the editor.

"Jeff is cool and collected, (not typical of editors) with all emergencies that we had," *Commuter* Adviser Jenny Spiker said. "None of the typical problems got to him, he always had a solution."

Jeff spent a great deal of time on the paper even with other commitments such as his wife Bonny (same last name). Two hour telephone conversations on production nights confirmed this. But Feyerharm also has quite an academic load to carry. Even with all the distractions of the paper Jeff has been able to hold a near four-point grade average as a pre-Pharmacy major.

While on the paper Jeff has instigated something that resembles order and organization, which is a rarity in newspapers. He has also helped to bring two historically feuding factions together, student government and the paper.

"Our whole editorial staff has done a good job pointing out to the school

that we are a real media and not just playing games," Spiker said of Jeff and his staff. "They've approached the faculty and senate in a professional way all year."

So what could make a person like Feyerharm suddenly go bananas and fall?

Another woman, Molly Feyerharm. That's nothing kinky, just a baby. But not just a baby, *THE baby, his baby*; the one that struck the blow.

After two terms of turbulence coming from all sides, Jeff and the *Commuter* have stood, but in one week a five-day-old-baby weighing seven pounds has destroyed the Big Banana.

A good example of the way things have turned out for Jeff occurred last Tuesday night when the paper was being pasted-up. Jeff came in and began to write headlines, two hours later they were done. As some of the production crew read them over they found that the heads just didn't fit the stories and all of them had to be rewritten.

But Jeff is a newspaperman first and the objectivity showed greatly in a conversation with Spiker the day after the baby was born.

"Jeff called me and said that she was the most beautiful baby girl he had ever seen. I asked him how he could be objective and still say that," Spiker said and Jeff answered, "But Bonny thinks so, too."

The final blow for Jeff came last Thursday morning when he wandered back to school, and the *Commuter* office, picked up a paper and exclaimed in utter amazement, "It passed?!"

Jeff Feyerharm, the editor, did not even know the budget had passed until he read it in his own paper!

For Jeff it has been a long year, but what a way to end it. □

Senate rolls on, new student body cards possible

by Robert Weller

In their weekly meeting on May 27 the student senate explored the possibilities of new student body cards, more communication with students and skateboard safety.

The senate discussed the feasibility of a new student body card. The new card would replace the present cardboard model with an embossed plastic card like the one used by OSU. Students would keep the card for as long as they are attending LBCC. A sticker would be placed on the back as each term started. The idea is very much in the air and no decision was made on it.

Another idea was brought up by President Pauline Darling. Darling proposed that senators go into classrooms every so often to inform the students, "of what the hell is going on," as she put it. The objective is to break down the communication gap between the students and the senate.

A similar idea was put into a motion and passed. Sparky Varner authored a motion for a student information center at the beginning of fall term to help the new incoming students. This was brought up because of the success of a similar program at the beginning of this term and due to an increase in student enrollment. A committee will

be appointed with Varner as chair.

Some senators have expressed concern with the skateboard problem on campus. It seems that not only women but children have actually been run over by the skateboarders. Sen. Phil Sarro noted that when skateboarders round blind corners at fast speeds they have no time to stop. The senate passed a motion disallowing skateboarding in the halls. This motion is directed at the administration and Sandi Sundance put it, "The motion indicates a concern and a necessity for something to be done." Sundance went on to say that abolishing skateboarding entirely would be wrong. He would like to see a skateboard ruling like the one for bicycles: in some areas all right, in the halls definitely not. □

Calendar

<p>THURSDAY, JUNE 3- Christians on Campus, noon, H 121 □</p>	
<p>FRIDAY, JUNE 4- Last Day to Drop Classes □ Chautauqua: 10-2 p.m., AI/Cal □ Christians on Campus, noon, H 121 □</p>	
<p>SATURDAY, JUNE 5- GCP Testing, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Forum 113 □</p>	
<p>SUNDAY, JUNE 6- Nothin' □</p>	
<p>MONDAY, JUNE 7- Bookstore Buyback of Books □ Finals Week □ Student Senate, AI/Cal, 4 p.m. □</p>	
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ASLBCC President sends out SOS

by Mike Blackshear

P.M. Darling, the new ASLBCC president, is concerned about continued student involvement in the many initiatives that were proposed this year. "If the students see us directionally moving out of their realm of concern, for God's sake, come in and tell us so!"

A lot of organizational work, for instance, on the proposed medical clinic, needs to be done this summer. Senator Sandi Sundance would welcome some help, so run, don't walk into the student government office to volunteer. He can't do all the work himself. If you think LBCC needs a medical clinic, get involved.

Another area of involvement is the many committees dealing with different areas of student life. There are nine such committees, and some of them will need people to replace those members who will be leaving. If a serious person were to express an interest, a voting chair on one of these committees might be available.

Have you got a gripe about the way our student government is being run?

If so, there will be senate meetings summer term, go in and let them have a piece of your mind.

On another front, the Community Colleges of Oregon Student Association Commission (CCOSAC) would like to organize a lobbying voice to speak out in the state legislature about the concerns of community college students. CCOSAC also wants a voting seat on the Oregon State Board of Education. With this voice, they hope to have an effective role in education, as it pertains to community colleges, on a state-wide basis.

There is a limit to the amount of time the senators can spend working on projects, and still maintain good grades. Darling speaks for most senate members when she says, "We need more communication between the student body government and the student body. Get involved, there are only 15 senators to represent 7,000 students. We can use all the input we can get, and are willing to lend a helping hand to any students who have a problem." □

BCC's cattle baron foiled again

freelance contributor Helen Ross

My husband Merl and I decided we would raise our own meat for the freezer. It would be simple. We had twenty acres of fenced pasture; all we needed were some heifers. When your heifers come into heat you call your veterinarian and he comes out, administers artificial insemination and nine months later you have twice as many cows.

We bought six heifers, turned them out to pasture and waited. When our ladies were old enough, and their persistent bawling at the neighbors bulls told us they were also ready, we called the vet. When the doctor learned we didn't have a corral to restrain the cows he declined the job, explaining he could not run fast enough.

If we couldn't get the breeding to come to the heifers we had to get the heifers to come to the breeding. We called a man that ran a gigolo service for cows, but by this time our ladies had changed their fancy to grass.

I was getting dinner on the table one evening when a couple of our ladies started bawling and pawing the ground. I ran to the phone, called the man with the bulls and told him it was time. He started asking questions that made me wish Merl had made the call. Merl was just getting out of the shower so I opened the bathroom door, handed him the phone, closed the door and returned to the kitchen.

We were finishing dinner when a big truck pulled in the driveway bearing the sign, "Hertz-Rent-A-Bull." Joe, a medium sized man with a Scottish accent, introduced himself and his beautiful big brown bull, Jock. Joe led Jock into the pasture. The bull seemed to have the attitude of a man on his way to work.

Our ladies were at the far front corner of the field and Merl walked along the fence line to drive them toward Joe and his bull. The heifers started for the woods on a run. Jock must have decided it was time he took over; he said one "Hey!", and the ladies stopped like they were frozen in their tracks. Six horny heifers standing like statues, staring at that bull as if he were a dream come true.

The ladies loped over to Jock and nuzzled and rubbed and bumped heads with him. There was so much tail switching, if a body got to close he'd get beat to death. Then our cows blew the whole thing by trying to mount the bull.

Raising beef had seemed so simple. □

Many students in LBCC's vocational programs, like these two in Automotive Technology, will be graduating soon. They will have a chance to test for themselves LBCC's basic principle of training people to meet the jobs available.



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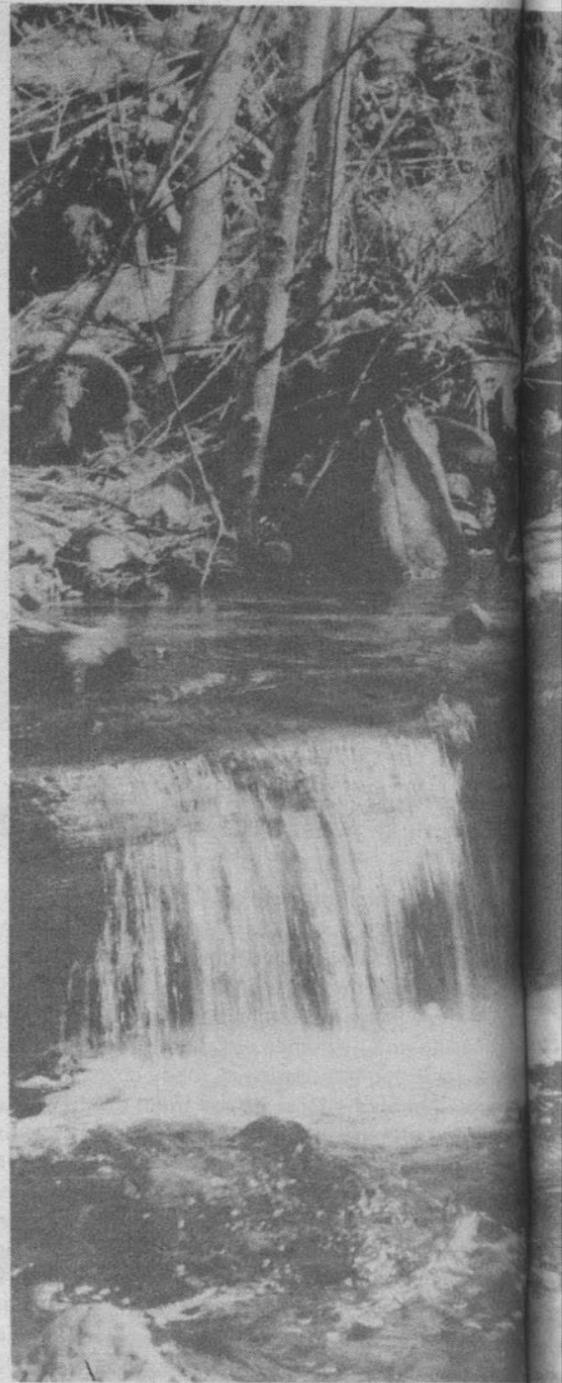
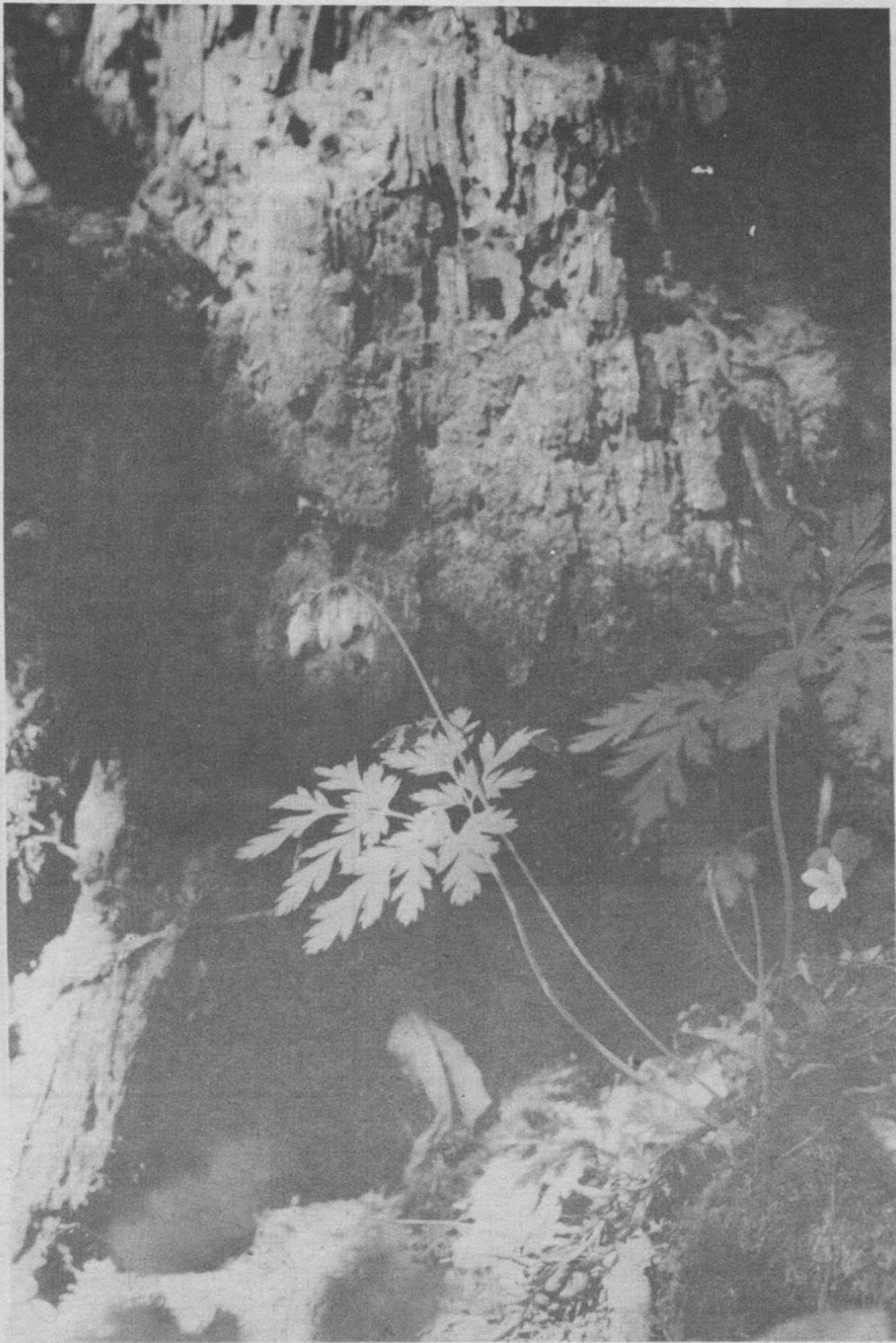
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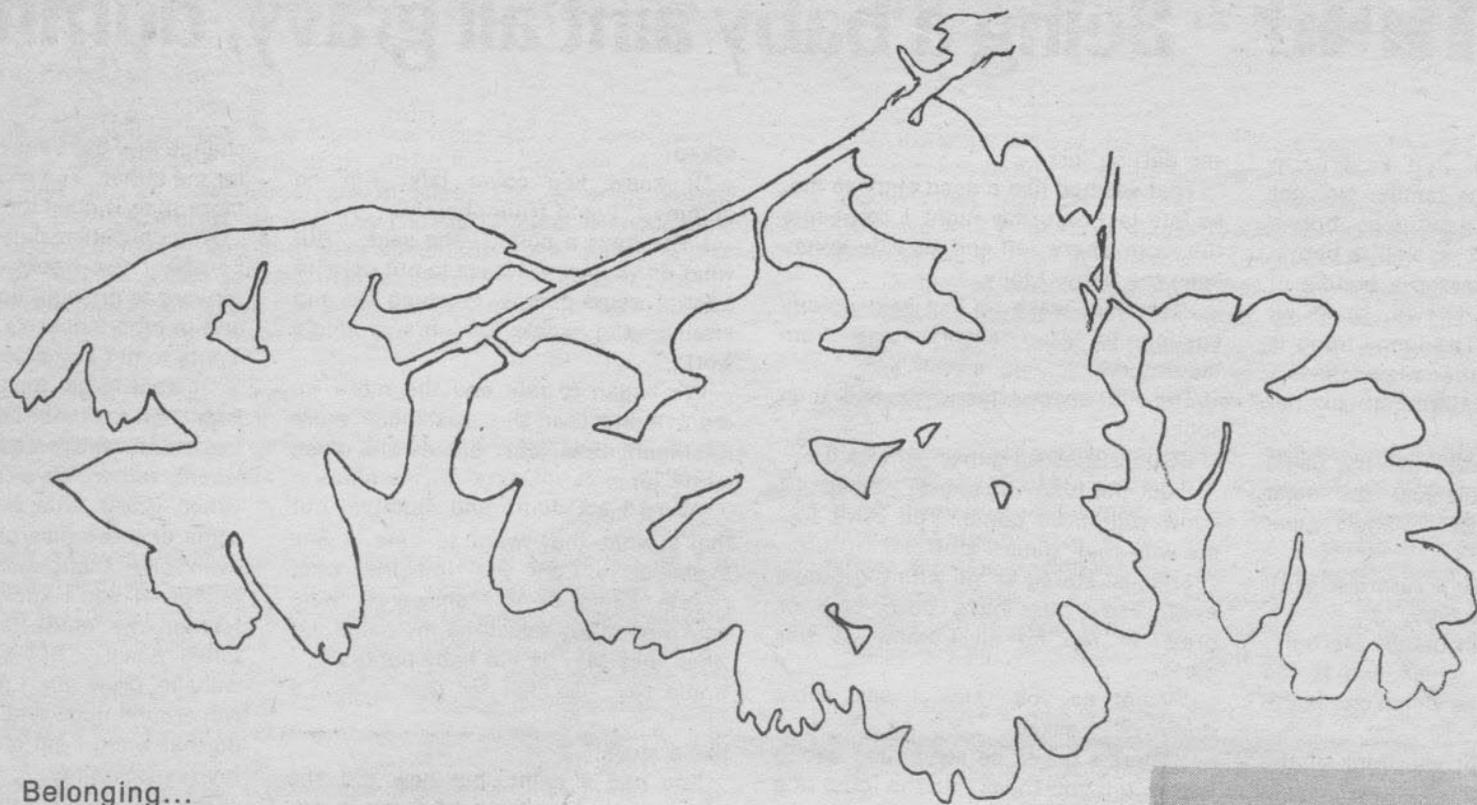
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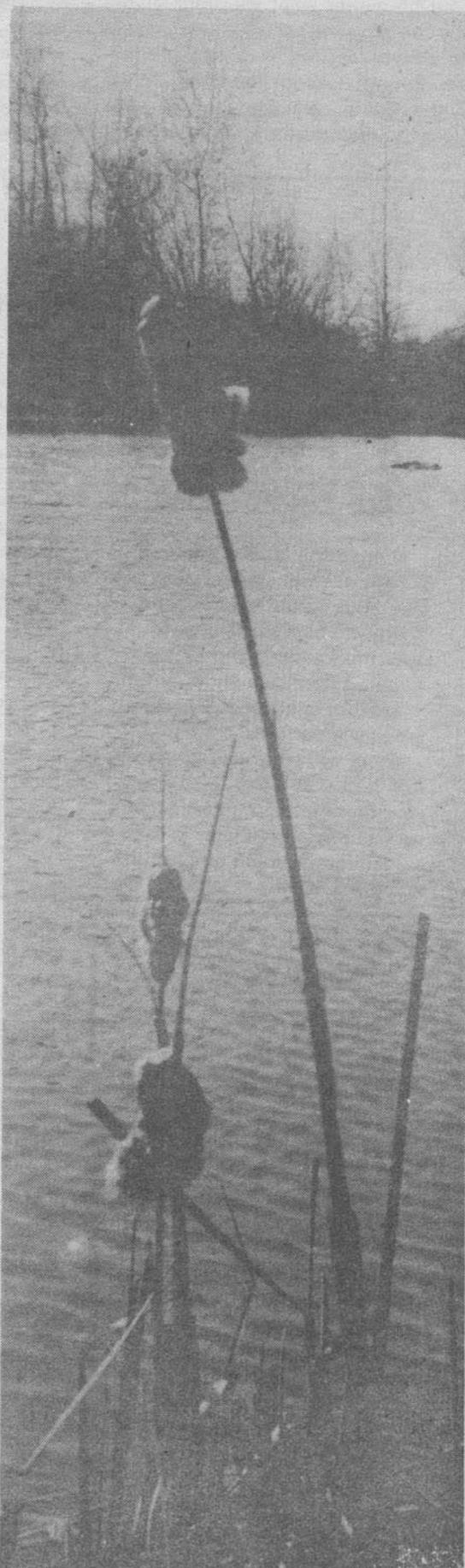




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There is something within me
that seeks to join itself with nature.
As I sit and view some tranquil scene,
warmed by the sunlight that reveals the place,
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some leafy bush or jutting stone
with fresh cool water swirling around me;
to belong to its peaceful perfection.
Oh, that the Sun would shine
on the place where I am
and show me how I belong.

Photos and text by Norma Magedanz



FarAfield

by Bill Lanham

Recently our editor Jeff Feyerharm had an addition to his family. No, not another wife or a new dog; but a daughter, a child that is; well, a baby.

Already Jeff has passed a bundle of pictures around and I've seen all twelve, three times. The funny thing is that they all look the same, like a miniature Winston Churchill in pajamas.

Of course you always get the usual raves, "O! Isn't she just the most precious thing." Or, "She's just darling."

Most of the staff were surprised with my comment, "She's ugly."

But let's face it, all babies are ugly, it's not a matter of which one is the prettiest, it's more like which one is the least ugly.

But no matter what you think of the baby the acclaims are usually the same and crowd reaction is pretty predictable. But what about the baby...What is the kid's reaction to all the onlookers, pointers and "Oooo, isn't

she darling"ers.

That seemed like a good story to me, so late last Saturday night I crept into the room where Jeff and his wife Bonny keep the baby, Molly.

"Hey kid, wake up," I said quietly enough to keep anyone else from hearing me.

The kid opened her eyes and then spoke.

"Guberishescha guba," she said.

"Cut the funny business," I said. "I know your little game. You can't fool me with that 'guber' stuff."

She just stared at me with big brown eyes. They may have been blue or green or red for all I knew—it was dark.

"What do you think I am, some dummy?" I asked.

"There's got to be something wrong with you if you sneak into the room of a week-and-a-half-old baby girl and try to talk to her," she said as plain as day, even though it was night. "Do you take candy to the grade schools too?" she

asked.

"I knew you could talk, I'm no dummy," I said triumphantly.

"You have a point," she said. "But what do you want. I have to put up with a lot of weird people, touching me and kissing—the whole bit. It's a dog's world."

We began to talk and the more we did I found that she was much more intelligent than most babies are given credit for.

"Sure I act dumb and mumble, but that's what they want to hear." She explained, "Can you imagine what people would do if I answered them back when they asked me my name. Or when they say, 'Is the baby hungry?', I would say, 'No, not for that crap; I'd

like a steak!'"

She had a point, but how did she know how babies were supposed to act.

"Oh! Not too many people know this but just before the doctor slaps you, he gives you a few instructions on how to act." She went on, "I almost crossed him up though, because I wouldn't cry when he slapped my bottom. You should have seen the look on his face."

But what did the baby think of the outside world when she first came into it?

"I tell you, those bright lights gave me quite a bit of a headache, and that nurse handling me with those cold green gloves," she said. "The funniest thing was my dad. He was in the delivery room and was helping the doctors and trying to take pictures at the same time. Just before he'd snap off a shot, I'd turn my head and screw it up."

"One of the worst things was trying to get some sleep in my mom's room. She kept lifting me up for daddy to see. I really let them have it with the crying. They couldn't shut me up."

According to Molly though, being a baby isn't all fun and games.

"Sure I get to play around a lot. And everyone pays attention to me, but they won't let me go into the bathroom and use the toilet," she said with a sigh. "I know that my parents don't like to

change me, but believe me it's no party for me either. You could say it hurts me more than it does them."

At publication date, Molly will only be about two-weeks-old but she looks forward to growing up in some respects and in others doesn't quite know if she wants to get any older.

"I want to get bigger, because I just hate these dumb clothes, with little bears and rabbits and stupid animals. I would rather have a Jaws tee-shirt. When I'm a little bigger I can pinch some of those nice people back, I may even give them a couple of monkey bumps—I don't know." As she talked further the enthusiasm in her voice toned down. "But I'm not sure I do want to grow up. Like right now I can run around nude and I won't be able to do that when I get older, and still keep my respectability."

But how much of the world has Molly seen? Not much, but according to her she has seen enough to know what she wants and pretty much what it is all about.

"Mom and Dad took me out shopping Saturday and I had a great time. Hopefully my whole life will be one big shopping trip and I'll keep finding the specials, bargains and new things." □

Miscellany

Work for L.A.

There will be a meeting today at 12 noon in the student government office to discuss the possibility of starting a Legal Aid Service at LBCC next year. See P.M. Darling in the senate office. □

Nuke Eugene day

Oregonians for Nuclear Safeguards will sponsor a "Nuke Day" this Saturday in Eugene. There will be a soapbox style open mike session and Dr. Atomic's Medicine Show, an improvisational street theatre group will perform.

There will be a van leaving from LBCC at 8 a.m. Saturday morning. For more information, contact Phyllis Williams in the student government office or at home 928-5356. □

Vets get work

The Veterans office on campus has just been notified that there are approximately 20 work-study jobs available for this summer. Veterans who are attending summer school full-time and qualify for work-study are eligible for the \$2.50 an hour jobs. Students who are interested in these Outreach capacity jobs should see Andy Pomazal in CC 119. □

Of a woman's interest

All women interested in intercollegiate volleyball at LBCC for fall term: A meeting will be held Thursday, June 3, in AC 127 at 4 p.m.

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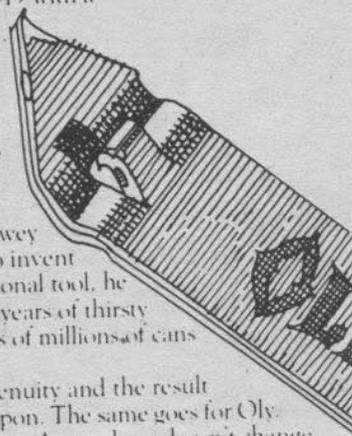
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Opinion Clearcutting law is not altogether a clear cut issue

by Bobi Beard, Freelance writer

Because the clearcutting issue is a highly controversial and emotionally packed subject it has become increasingly difficult to find out the facts involved and how we, as Oregonians, are affected. The different vested interest groups, the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the timber industry, and the environmentalist each interpret the Organic Act of 1897 according to their own purposes. (The Organic Act of 1897 specifies that only dead, mature or large growth trees may be removed from national forests, and these must be marked and cut individually.)

Each group has made its stand known within the last few months as new legislation is being drawn up in congress to either enforce aspects of the Organic Act (S. 2926 and H.R. 11894) or outlaw it (S. 3091 and H.R. 12503).

"Clearcutting (where all of the trees in a stand of forest are removed) is a legitimate tree harvesting method; one of several which are employed in our national forests", explains Randy O'Toole (OSPRIG Forester) in *The Citizen's Guide to Forestry and the Environment*. O'Toole goes on to explain that the choice of the proper harvest method depends on the ecosystem and the particular tree species in that ecosystem which is being managed. In some areas clearcutting is the proper harvest method and in others it is not.

The Organic Act of 1897 was a protective legislation intended to allow commercial cutting of timber only if consistent with preserving the forest.

Because the act was recently dusted off and enforced in West Virginia (resulting in a ban on clearcutting in that part of the U.S.), the Forest Service and timber industry have reacted strongly. The Chief of the Forest Service predicted a 40% drop in the allowable cut if it is enforced in Oregon. Locally we witnessed the Oregon Log Truckers Association staged convoy to Portland, which was done to demonstrate in favor of outlawing the Organic Act and continuing clearcutting practices, as they are now in Oregon. Robert McKeller, executive secretary of the truckers association stated, "They held a mock funeral to symbolize the fact that our way of life in Oregon and half our timber industry is dying, unless Congress takes action."

On the other side of the issue, O'Toole says, "The idea that upholding the Organic Act could reduce timber harvest in the west by 40% is ridiculous." "Converting from clearcutting to shelterwood cutting (where trees are removed in 2,3, or more stages spaced 5 - 10 years apart) has already been done by the BLM in southwestern Oregon, with no reduction in the allowable cut. A ban on clearcutting would have little effect in Oregon, because most clearcutting here is done in even-aged stands, which the Organic Act does not effect," O'Toole went on to explain.

The Forest Service, apparently caught somewhere in the middle of this violently opposed conflict, continues to manage our national forests.

It appears that timber and jobs for Oregon's tomorrow are what is really at stake. If the timber industry is so concerned about loss to the Oregon economy and unemployment among the timber related workers why have they increased the number of log exports? Shipping unprocessed logs to other states and overseas means they won't be available for mills in this region. The Northwest could be losing its basic industry by being turned into a funnel through which logs are sent overseas and *not* because there may be restrictions put on clearcutting practices.

"The future of jobs is closely linked to the rate at which the forests are cut. Increasing log exports has put more and more pressure on the Forest Service to increase the allowable cut which would thus threaten the even-flow policy now used," stated Russ Jolley in the April issue of the *Earth Watch*.

The timber industry doesn't have to die if the Organic Act is enforced. (Unless, of course, they are cutting a large amount of uneven-aged timber!) The timber industry, according to the OSU School of Forests Beuter Report, will be hurting for timber to harvest before their own reforested projects become of age. However, if some of those exported logs were left in Oregon to be milled, it seems they could continue to employ as many Oregonians as they do now. The Forest Service, which has tended to lean towards the timber industry in the past, find itself in the middle. But environmentalists have the power to offset the industries pressure for more and more timber from the public forests and thereby support the present multiple use and sustained yield policies.

It sounds as if the Organic Act will not be enforced in our national forests, to insure us timber and jobs for Oregon's tomorrow, unless there is sufficient pressure heard, from the concerned public, by Congress and the Forest Service.

Write a letter to our Congressman and Senators urging them to support S. 2926 and H.R. 11894.



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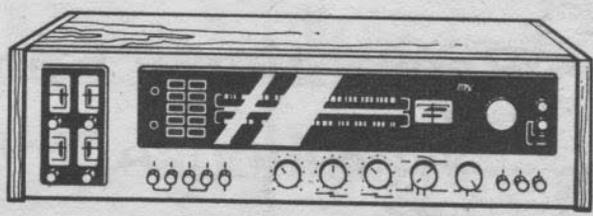
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Band followed band at last weekend's Benton Spring Benefit.

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Bill Lanham

ASLBCC honors pair, revises by-laws

by John Cheadle

The Associated Students of LBCC held an extended session last Tuesday night to try and finalize the revision of the ASLBCC Bylaws. After five-and-a-half hours of deliberation a little more than half of the document was revised and approved.

Major revisions were made in article five, the section of the bylaws pertaining to student elections. It was decided that \$50 be allocated from student government funds to pay members of an election committee to conduct the elections. It is hoped that this will put an end to the problems that have plagued the election committees of the past.

Credit hour requirements for senators were lowered so that any accredited student of LBCC will be able to participate in student government as a senator in the future.

Honorary Student Body rights were awarded to two individuals at

Tuesday's meeting. They are Baxter Gamble, an Albany businessman, and Doug Clark, a political science instructor at LBCC.

Guidelines were adopted for the use of the bulletin board and tables located next to the student government office in the College Center lobby. According to Bob Lincoln, student senator, the area will become a student awareness center and will display material not usually posted on other bulletin boards around campus.

ASLBCC President P.M. Darling announced that there will be a meeting Thursday at noon in the senate office to discuss the possibility of setting up a legal aid facility on campus next year.

There was some discussion about summer term meetings of the student government but no final decision was made. It will be taken up again next Monday when the student government will hold its last meeting for the school year 75/76. □

Graduation participation declines

by Tami Wiese

Mom and Dad glowing with pride—your grandparents with tears in their eyes—the day you have worked for has arrived. Will you be there?

Why have graduation exercises, once a sign of accomplishment, diminished in importance?

Only about 100 of the 298 graduating students will actually participate in the ceremony and receive their diplomas on June 11.

Commencement is not required at Linn-Benton, "It's up to the students,"

said Jon Carnahan, director of Admissions and Registrar. The question is why aren't students deciding to take that walk? Some reasons they give for not going through graduation exercises are—

"All I want is the degree not to walk up and get it."

"I'm going on vacation."

"I've gotta work."

"It really means a lot to them," Carnahan said of those who do participate.

The costs of graduating aren't that high; the keepsake cap and gown cost \$4 and the school pays for the diplomas out of the Student Activities Fund.

One built-in problem concerning graduation at LBCC is caused by the types of courses the school offers. The students get job skills before it is time to graduate so they go to work.

If you would still like to go through the graduation exercises see Carnahan in the Registrar's office for information. □

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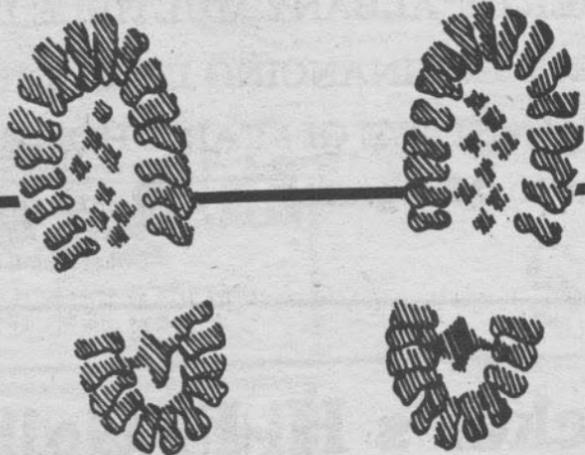
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LBCC's best year ever in sports

by Nick McWilliams



Ladies' Night Out, a local all women's band, entertained for the Feminist Week celebration last Thursday. From left to right are Theresa Smith, Bev Evenson, Audi McNeil, Marie Handloser and Max Halfstrom.

Mike Blackshear



Max Halfstrom plucks at the electric bass guitar.



Theresa Smith sings the lead in many of the band's songs.

Mike Blackshear



Marie Handloser plays the drums.

Mike Blackshear

An individual national champion and a team national championship were the high spots in LBCC's extremely successful sports campaign for the 1975-76 season.

Fall term began with Coach Arlene Crosman's women's gymnastics team working out. Winter term ended with the three member squad owning the massive National Junior College Athletic Association championship trophy.

Linn-Benton took three of the top four all-around spots with sophomore Donna Southwick leading the way, winning every possible event.

Sophomore Linda Schulz followed Southwick in third and Joy Peterson trailed closely in fourth. The event, held in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, was the first national junior college competition and brought the Roadrunners their first national championship ever.

Linn-Benton's basketball team, coached by Butch Kimpton, finished fourth in league but attained the second berth at regionals by winning the state tournament.

The Roadrunners were ousted from the regionals in Twin Falls, Idaho in the first round by College of Southern Idaho, who went on to win the national title.

Sophomore guard Paul Poetsch garnered all-conference first team for the second year in a row after winning successive league scoring titles.

Forward Bob Wagner led the league in rebounding, and copped the Most Valuable Player award while being honored with second team all-league ranking. Mitch Posey and Pat Rooney gained league honorable mention.

For LBCC's track team, it was the year of the individual. Coach Dave Bakley's squad lacked great depth, but relied on outstanding individual efforts to top all Oregon teams at the nationals with 25 points for eighth place.

Don Cliver led the way with a 229-6 effort for first in the javelin at nationals in Pasadena, Texas. His winning toss erased his previous best by nearly

20 feet.

Bob Keith and Tim Weller contributed runner-up places in the high jump and pole vault respectively at nationals. Keith leaped 7-0 to equal his best all-time effort and Weller reached his best at 15-3.

The Roadrunner baseball program had its best year ever, yet Coach Dick McClain's troops suffered two losses at regionals which thwarted their goal of the national tournament.

Nevertheless, LBCC recorded 39 victories and just 11 losses, setting new marks for the most and least in each category. They also rang up a 26-2 record in league to top the league by a comfortable six game margin.

McClain's team produced seven all-leaguers, including Steve Douglas at first base, Steve Elam at second, Jeff Boyd at shortstop, Randy Melton in centerfield, Gig Nelson as catcher, Dennis Balmer as pitcher and Kelly Brannon as the designated hitter.

In addition, Douglas, Elam, Melton and pitcher John Altman received All-district honors.

Linn-Benton sports expanded once again this year with women's track and men's and women's tennis being offered for intercollegiate competition for the first time.

Intramural sports grew also, and will look to have more participation next year. The possibility of the addition of intercollegiate sports such as football and wrestling will be considered for the future. □



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