

# Commuter

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## Tiva-tees ...featuring campus-round activities for the coming week

Tiva-tees is a weekly section of the *Commuter* brought to you by Phyllis Williams, student activities director, to keep you informed about what's happening on campus during the week.

### Coffee at Chatauqua

Chatauqua is a coffeehouse located in the Alsea/Calapooia Room. There is freshly ground coffee from the Beanery in Corvallis and entertainment on most Wednesdays from 11:30 to 1. Most Fridays have Strawberry Jammin' from 10 to 2. Strawberry Jammin' is an open mike for anything creative—singing, reading poetry, playing an instrument, etc. To keep informed on who is performing in Chatauqua, watch for Tiva-tees weekly.

### Artist performs

Chatauqua—Wednesday Sept. 29 TODAY! Rich Ringeisen from 11:30-1 in the Alsea/Calapooia Room.

### Pair to perform

Chatauqua—Friday, Oct. 1 from 11:30-1 in the Alsea/Calapooia Room. "Cumulo Nimbus" a musical duo who perform "coffeehouse" music—bluegrass, blues, folk and folk rock.

### Free Flicks

Movies will be shown weekly on Thursday at 1 p.m. and at 7 p.m. in the Alsea/Calapooia Room. For movie titles and exceptions watch Tiva-tees. There is no admission charge to the movies.

### THIS WEEK'S

MOVIE—*M\*A\*S\*H* WILL BE shown on Thursday at 1 p.m. and on Friday at 7 p.m. prior to the dance.

*M\*A\*S\*H* "If the Marx Brothers were all still around and an audacious scriptwriter had dressed them in white surgical uniforms and set them near the front in Korea during

the war and told them to run amok, the results would have probably turned out something like this saucy, outrageous, irreverent film. Nothing is sacred: not medical surgery, chastity, womanhood, army discipline, the sanctity of marriage, war movies, or the great American institution of football."

### Friday dance

Oct. 1, 9-12 midnight in the Commons. Dance to "Thumbs." Wally Neuman of KGAL radio as host. Contests, prizes, and punch are all part of the entertainment. \$1 solo, \$1.50 with co-pilot.



The OSU folk dancers performed last weekend at the Corallis Fall Festival. For more photos see page 6.

## LBCC's Board seeks voter s'approval on tax base

*Proponents say this proposal would control taxes*

by Jim Perrone

This summer the LBCC Board of Education adopted a resolution to put a tax base issue before the voters of Linn and Benton counties.

Directors, in seeking approval for the tax measure, which will appear during Oregon's state-wide election day Nov. 2, said that this may be the most effective way to control taxes and reduce the number of elections.

The proposed Ballot Measure #16, unlike the existing system of asking voters for funds each year through a tax levy, would provide the college with a tax base each year without voter's approval.

The board's rationale for the proposed change in taxing authority stems from various reasons—a primary reason being that the period of rapid college growth is over. In the beginning yearly budgets were preferred because of the inability to correctly predict the

needs of the community. It was at a time when the college was implementing new programs to meet these community needs and the cost could not be readily assessed. Most of these new programs were vocational and were established because there were needs to be met in the community.

But directors now feel that the college has pretty well established itself in this sense, and a time of leveling off has come. Feelings are that the college has stabilized to a point where having a tax base would be more beneficial to all. It would end costly elections of which up to four a year can be required before getting taxpayer approval for the yearly budget. It would also provide the college with continuity in planning budgets from year to year. Moreover the tax measure would, through state laws, limit any increases

in the total tax base to 6%.

The Nov. 2 election would serve as the basic tax base figures after voter approval. The rate which is to be applied to property taxes, and taking effect in 1977-78, is estimated to be near \$1.30 per \$1000 of true value. This is the same tax rate as this year.

However, this tax rate, according to administration officials, is expected to fall in the coming years. Because of an expanding tax base, leveling enrollment, and greater state participation, administrative projections show that it is possible to reduce the tax rate 4.6% yearly. If these projections hold up it will mean that the tax rate after five years could be reduced to around \$1.

These figures are based upon the existing formula for who pays what share. At the present, property taxes pay 38%. State contributions come to

39%, tuition and fees pay for 17%, with the balance of 6% coming from miscellaneous sources.

Altogether the total amount of the college's proposed budget for 77-78 is \$7.36 million. State and federal would contribute \$3.06 million, property taxes \$2.9 million, tuition and fees \$1.25 million, and the balance from back taxes, earnings, federal grants and carryover.

In addition to the proposed tax rate scheduled for 77-78, taxpayers will still be paying on the \$6.1 million bond issue approved by the voters in 1970. This indebtedness will add about 21¢ to the total tax rate and bring it up to \$1.51 for that year.

Another urgent factor in choosing to have the measure go before the voters now is that any tax base proposal can only be made on a general election day occurring every two years. □

# EDITORIAL Editor outlines some of the issues to be covered in the Commuter

by Sue Storm

Another year at LBCC. How was your summer? Mine was hectic. All summer I kept thinking about being editor and all the things I should be doing to get ready for it. Now all of a sudden it's here and I'm not ready.

The paper should be fun this year anyway. I'm looking forward to it even if nobody else is. I hope you are though. That's why we sweat through incredible hassles all hours of Tuesday night to paste up the paper for its "magical" appearance Wednesday morning.

For you. Students. This is a student newspaper. We claim to be nothing else. We'll need your help to tell us what you like to see. Otherwise, we'll just merrily fill up your paper with whatever we feel like. No seriously though, we do have some definite priorities and guidelines—but we'll still count on you to come up with some of the specifics. For instance, this year I would personally like to devote an area of the paper to creative student work. Things you write in English classes, or pictures you take in photography classes, paintings you paint, draftings you draft, car bumpers you weld together—anything creative. Please submit. Otherwise, you'll get mighty tired of reading my poems.

You'll have to wait and see what my "editorial stance" will be this term. I'm not sure myself. I want to start out being as fair as possible to all varieties of students on campus. Incredibly difficult. Should be interesting. I have a vague sort of idea that I'm here to represent you, not to shove anything down your throat. We'll see where that takes us.

However, there's a few things you'll be reading a lot about in the paper—particularly before the Nov. 2 election. One pertinent topic is the LBCC tax base issue. This is difficult—money always is—but we'll try to cover it so that it's understandable. (See first tax base story on page 1. You're going to hear a lot about it, there's a heavy advertising campaign going on. Like I said I'm not going to shove anything down your throats, but I would urge you to at least understand this issue and not ignore it. LBCC has had a hard time staying alive and a tax base would help a great deal. So don't just pass through college, get to know it, love it, and vote yes for it.

Beginning this issue we are serializing some of the major questions and answers people seem to have about the Nuclear Safeguards Act, also to be voted on in November. Last spring I spent a great deal of time researching the pros and cons of this issue and hopefully I have presented it in a clear, neutral format that will allow you to make up your own mind.

I don't know if we'll talk much about Ford and Carter. You'll be hearing plenty about them, I imagine. We'll bring national, state and local issues down to the individual level at times. But our main concentration will be on this campus.

One more thing. Write letters to the editor. I love to get mail. That's all for now. Have a good week. □

## CULTURE HERO



## LETTERS Encouragement from ASLBCC

To the Students:

As of this fall, many students will be having their first experiences with the web of bureaucracy called college administration. It may, at times, all seem strange and irrational. But let me give you a few words of encouragement; *it is*, at times, strange and irrational.

It is at these times that we

of student government believe we can help you to overcome and alleviate most of your problems. We believe we are your consumer advocate, for you the students are the consumers of this institution. If you are not satisfied with the way you were handled at registration, financial aid, or

any of the other sections of this college, come in and talk with us. We can help, but only if we know about the problem. We are a very good resource. We, as a body, touch on many different aspects of this community.

Bob Lincoln  
Student Government

## Democrats on Campus

To the editor:

This being an election year, about all you have heard is politics.

Democrats on Campus is an organization founded to raise political consciousness at Linn-Benton. This fall we will be involved in national, state and local politics.

We would like to invite interested students to join and participate in Democrats on Campus.

Our first meeting will be Sept. 30, 12 noon, Willamette Room.

Phil Sarro  
Chairman, DOC

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# The *Commuter* looks at nuclear energy: a hot issue in the next few weeks

Analysis by Sue Storm

In November Oregonians will have a chance to vote on Ballot Measure 9: Regulates Nuclear Power Plant Construction Approval. This measure would delay the construction of nuclear plants in Oregon until 1) methods for handling and storage of nuclear wastes are proven safe; 2) safety systems are tested successfully 3) utility companies become fully liable for the consequences of nuclear accidents.

This is a highly complex issue. In an effort to simplify it as clearly as possible, the *Commuter* has compiled some of the major questions and their pro-con arguments, and plans to serialize them in the weeks before the election. Ballot Measure 9 is not against nuclear power, it is against plants being built in Oregon without proven safeguards. The major proponent of this act is Oregonians for Nuclear Safeguards. Strongly against it is Pacific Power and Light who have a large economic interest in the future of nuclear power in Oregon.

## CAN A NUCLEAR POWER PLANT EXPLODE LIKE AN ATOM BOMB?

**con**

No. It is impossible for nuclear power plants to explode like a nuclear weapon. The laws of physics do not permit this because the fuel contains only a small fraction (3-5%) of the special type of uranium (called uranium-235) that must be used in weapons.

**pro**

No, but nuclear reactors produce the stuff atomic bombs are made of. Only 11 pounds of plutonium are needed to make an atom bomb.

India recently exploded an atomic bomb built from plutonium generated by a nuclear reactor sold to her by Canada for peaceful purposes.

## IS SABOTAGE, THEN, A LIKELY THREAT TO THE SAFETY OF NUCLEAR PLANTS?

**con**

The material distributed by PP&L does not consider sabotage a likelihood.

Though the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) was unable to account for thousands of pounds of plutonium and uranium in 1974, they generally attribute it to flaws in bookkeeping.

**pro**

A nuclear plant is highly vulnerable to sabotage. Trained saboteurs could take over a plant and rig it in a few minutes with high explosives sufficient to cause a reactor core meltdown accident. Using the threat of such sabotage as hostage, they could blackmail the government for anything they wished.

Another possibility is that workers could steal small quantities of plutonium and eventually sell enough for a small atom bomb to third world countries desiring to join the nuclear club.

## WHAT ABOUT THE SMALL AMOUNT OF ROUTINE RADIATION RELEASED FROM NUCLEAR PLANTS?

**con**

In normal operation, nuclear power plants release minute amounts of this radioactivity under controlled conditions.

We are all exposed to natural radiation daily from cosmic rays and other natural occurrences. The amount of radiation per year is less than one five-thousandth of the dose that would be lethal if delivered in a short time.

In 1970, nuclear power plants contributed only one-half of one percent to the average person's exposure, compared to 60% natural radiation and 40% x-rays and fallout. This negligible percentage is not harmful.

The AEC has responded to the reports by Gofman and Tamplin, and reduced the allowable emissions by 100-fold. It would be possible technically to keep radiation to less than one percent of background radiation, regardless of the number of plants in operation.

**pro**

"We are constantly being told about a permissible amount of radiation. Who permitted it? Who has any **right** to permit it?" (Albert Schweitzer)

The routine release in radiation is negligible now, however with the expected boom in nuclear power (1,000 reactors by the year 2000) this could mean a 200-fold increase in daily radiation.

A study by two AEC health physicists, Dr. John W. Gofman and Dr. Arthur R. Tamplin, concluded that if reactors emitted the maximum amount of radiation allowed by AEC standards, there would be 32,000 additional annual deaths from cancer and leukemia.

The process that lowers routine emissions is costly and requires careful regulation. It is doubtful that the AEC would cause nuclear power plants to be more costly than the absolute minimum. □

To come: radioactive wastes, core meltdown, insurance, economic and moral questions, Oregon politicians quoted.

## veterans' voice

by Bob Lincoln

## LBCC extends welcome to vets

To any "new" vets coming in and to the "old" vets who are still with us, welcome to LBCC. The Vets' Office is located in CC 121, near the registration windows. The people inside are there to help *you* with your problems and answer *your* questions.

If you aren't satisfied with your check, your courses, your major, or you just want to rap, come on in. If you

drop below pay-rate credit load, come by the Vets' Office and tell someone. If you have married, divorced or added another mouth to feed, stop by. If you have moved, let us know, so your check will move with you. If in doubt stop in and tell us your story. We can't help you unless you keep us informed.

The veterans office is open from 8:30

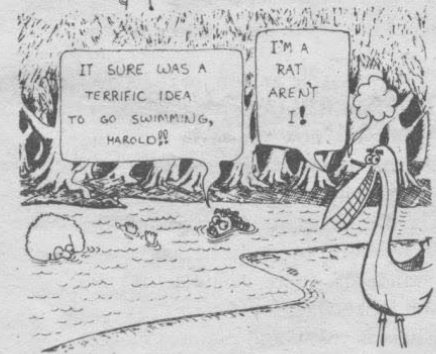
to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Don Menzia YOUR veterans representative is on, campus from 9:15 to 4:15, Tuesdays and Thursdays; Fridays 9:15 till noon.

The veterans' voice is a column written for vets to keep them informed on veterans' benefits and other information which affect their lives. In the past this column has voiced

opinions which may have been controversial. The writer takes all responsibility for the written word and contents of the column, and would welcome feedback from the readers.

Contact Bob Lincoln at the Vets' office, or leave a message in the *Commuter* office, CC-210. □

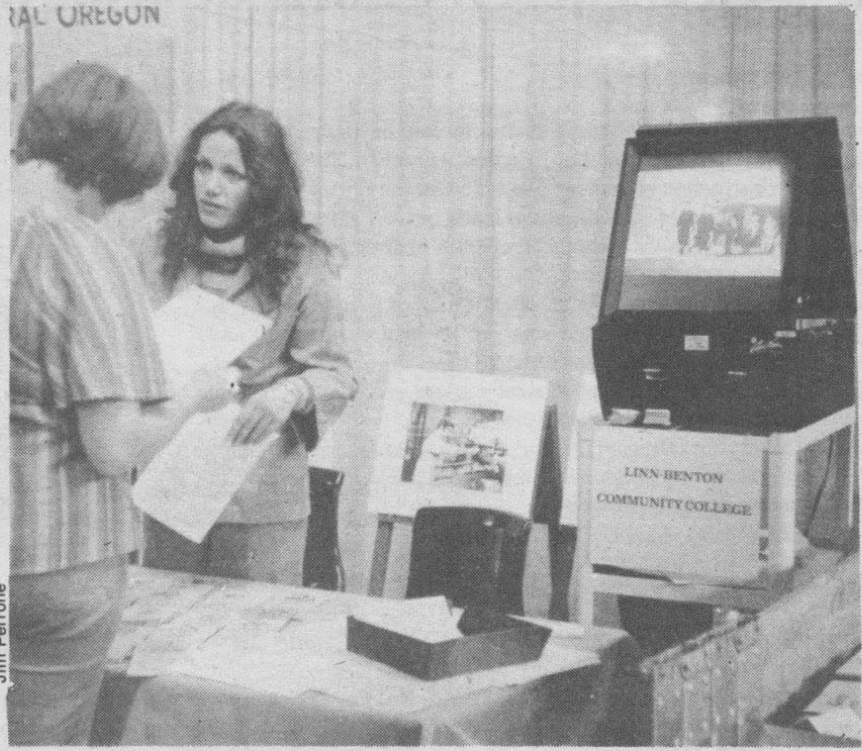
# HAROLD AND FRANK



For the young and the young at heart.

## FOOTWEAR EXPRESS

331 W. 2nd, Albany



Jim Perrone

Gina Andreassen mans the LBCC tax base information booth at the Linn County Fair last weekend. The booth featured a slide show, pamphlets and free budget information.

## Pinball club rolling

The Wizard's Pinball Club is open and ready for action this year. Fred Beauregard, last year's top rated "Wizard," issues a challenge to all would-be "flipper" players.

He says there are no prerequisites, and that the club is now co-ed. Melloday Day is "the first woman to challenge the Wizard," claims Beauregard.

There will be club members in the recreation room in the College Center from 12-1 daily to give pointers on the fine art of playing pinball. "There's a lot to playing the board. Not everyone can do it," says the Wizard.

This year the club will sponsor three semi-final qualifying tournaments, and one final with first, second and third trophies to be given away.

Bill Harlan, the Dark Horse, will be the Wizard's main challenger this year. But Beauregard's confident of his championship abilities: "I've got nothing to worry about," laughs the Wizard. □

# LBCC President relates summer events

by Loweta Hoskins

LBCC President Ray Needham has spent the summer attending meetings and planning for the school year. His preparations have included such events as the November tax base issue, this year's school wide accreditation process, enrollment, classes and new faculty.

In July Needham traveled to Princeton, New Jersey to meet with community college presidents from twenty states, in order to discuss problems common to administrators.

The five day meeting was sponsored by the Educational Testing Service and College Board of Examinations.

Among the topics discussed were population trends of community colleges.

"People experts," Dr. Needham said, "from the University of Chicago reported on what's happening in population trends. They told us about the people we would be serving in 5, 10 and 15 years."

The trend seems to be more older students interested in retraining, and fewer younger students.

The group also discussed the threat of community colleges losing their independence due to state and federal control.

"Problems," Needham said, "have come to the community college due to our success, mainly because we are doing exactly what we should be doing."

"Fears of abnormal growth seem to demand 'minimal progress' controls, a plan which forces students to attend colleges in other areas for classes deliberately not offered in their home area."

This regulatory measure has been suggested by some legislators who feel that community colleges are "killing the taxpayer with high taxes," and that dispersment of students to other areas

will reduce taxes. This is a trend which would appear to end open door policies of the community college.

Needham, in association with Vern Farnell, Dean of Business Affairs, will conduct a five week seminar to acquaint the public with the community college budget this fall.

"The first class will probably be a discussion of topics discussed at the Princeton meeting. Then we will go on to more specific things, such as the budgeting process. The seminar will be four or five weeks in length—if people come out for it," Needham explained.

Needham is planning to meet with the LBCC Board of Education for a two day workshop in November. "This is a way to communicate with the administrative staff," Needham said, "a way of finding and discussing problem areas, and a way to get Board members better acquainted with issues. It gives them a chance to really sit down and talk about issues, and to understand what they are talking about."

Subjects suggested for the agenda include: the impact of policies, protocol, funding sources, policy review of student publication, guide lines for phasing out curriculum, and long range policy on competitive athletics.

"This is a chance," Needham said, "to take a couple of days and really get in-depth on some of the issues."

### Fall schedule: better offering, more classes

Scheduling for fall term is up at least "8% from last year, with an increase of 6% or 7% more students over last year's enrollment," Needham said.

More sections have been added to present classes. New instructors have been hired, as in the Graphic Communications department, where

demand has far exceeded capabilities in past years. New instructors will also appear in science, heating and refrigeration, biology, mathematics, electronics, agriculture, automotive, and food management areas.

### Accreditation-- after ten years, success or failure

"1977 is going to be a year of self-appraisal. LBCC is going through the accreditation process, and as I have informed the student body president, we hope for a large segment of student body involvement in the evaluation of the school, by both faculty and majors."

"The question to be asked of students and faculty is: are we doing the very best we can?" Dr. Needham said.

Eighty committees will be formed, for 80 functions performed by the school. At least 80 students will be needed to sit on individual committees representing departments of the school.

In a new effort to maintain good community relations, LBCC faculty and management personnel will visit industries and business offices throughout the communities during 1977 so that "we will know more about people's desires, and so we can stay close to the community and know its needs," Needham said.

Needham then discussed the most important issue of the year.

"I really feel that the life of our school depends on the tax base. Right now, we cannot do proper planning, we cannot be sure that we are going to have a summer session. A tax base assures continuity—to know that we are going to be alive next year—and the following year." (For a discussion of the tax base see page 1.) □

# NEWS BRIEFS

## Business speakers

The Small Business Management class will be having several guest speakers this term. Instructor Frank Griffin extends an open invitation to interested persons.

Guest speakers are scheduled to appear in room B-101 on:

Oct. 6, 7 p.m.: speaker from the U.S. Small Business Administration

Oct. 13, 7 p.m.: speaker from the U.S. Department of Commerce

Oct. 20, 7 p.m.: speaker from the Oregon Economic Development Commission

## Graduate receives award

LBCC graduate and former *Commuter* editor Linda Tucker, who is now advertising manager for the Sweet Home *New Era* newspaper, won first place in the "Oregon Advertising Idea of the Year" contest at the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association advertising conference in early September. Her advertisement for Frannys Furniture in Sweet Home competed with advertisements from all sizes of newspapers around the state. □

## Book exchange

A book exchange open to anyone has just been started in the bookstore. The exchange will keep two sets of files. One for sellers, and another for buyers.

Sellers will be asked to fill cards with names of books for sale and the price. Buyers likewise will fill out cards stating what book is being sought and the price they are willing to pay. □

## Bowling tryouts

LBCC's Collegiate Bowling Team will soon be holding tryouts for both men's and women's teams. The tryouts will be held at Lakeshore Lanes, 682 Airport Road, Albany, on Sept. 27, 29, and Oct. 1 at 3:30 p.m. For more information call Gary Heintzman at 926-4631 or Judy Green at the College Center office, ext. 283. □

## Classes still available

The registration office has announced that there are some courses still available that either have been added recently or hadn't appeared in the regular schedule of classes.

5.400 Nursing Home Asst. 3 credit, starts Oct. 4, 1976. PE 232 Orienteering and Backpacking, 3 credit, on Tue. and Thur. at 1 p.m.; Ar 235, Ar 236 Jewelry Metalsmithing, 3 credit, on Mon. and Wed. at 9 a.m., and Bi 101 Gen. Biology, 4 credit, on Mon. and Wed. at 4 p.m.

Openings in programs include Small Engine/Recreation Vehicle Repair, Food Services, Drafting, and Refrigeration/Air Conditioning/Heating. □

## Health Center open

This year's nurse and health counselor is Lynn Cochrane. She will temporarily be replacing Joyce Easton who has taken a year's leave. Health counseling is available through her office. This includes first aid, pregnancy testing, blood pressure and general health counseling. Referrals for medical services or related problems are also available.

Lynn will also be available to discuss health related problems with groups or in classes to better acquaint others with the health services available at LBCC.

Hours are from 8-5, M-F, in room CC-109, or telephone ext 357 for any question. □

## Bike—a—thon

The Linn-Benton Diabetes Association is sponsoring a Bike-a-Thon on Sunday, Oct. 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Corvallis. The money collected will be used by LBDA for service to diabetics and their families, education, and research—according to chairperson Marty Perrigan.

Bike riders can be anyone from 8 to 80. Sponsor sheets will be available at McDonald's, schools, libraries, bike shops, and the Chamber of Commerce. All riders must start no later than 3 p.m.

A McDonald's "Big Mac" will be given to every rider who completes the route. The first place prize for the most money brought in will be a portable black and white TV, and for the most miles ridden an AM/FM radio cassette will be given.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the organization of the bike-a-thon. For more information call Marty Perriagn after five at 753-0085. □

## Godspell tryouts

Open tryouts for *Godspell* are scheduled for Sept. 27, 28 and 29 at Linn-Benton Community College. The college production of the contemporary rock musical opens Nov. 11 on the campus.

Director Steven Rossberg and musical director Dick West are looking for singers, actors and musicians for the popular show which is based on the Gospel according to St. Matthew. It presents the parables of Christ in a fresh and dynamic fashion.

Those wanting to participate need not be LBCC students.

Musicians especially needed are guitar, drum and bass players. Tryouts will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. in room 210 of the Humanities and Social Services building. □

## Records on sale

The bookstore now has records on sale for \$1.98 to \$14.98. They have blues, folk, classical, jazz and rock selections. □



Linn County held its first fair in forty years this past weekend, and at least one small person seems to be enjoying it fully.

## Financial aid is still available

Money is still available in some financial aids programs. Students are encouraged to stop by the financial aid office in CC-107 to inquire about the eligibility for grant and work monies. Funding may be available to students regardless of age, marital status or support contributed to them by other public agencies.

Students carrying six or more credits may be eligible for a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant. Full-time student may qualify for the Basic Grant and

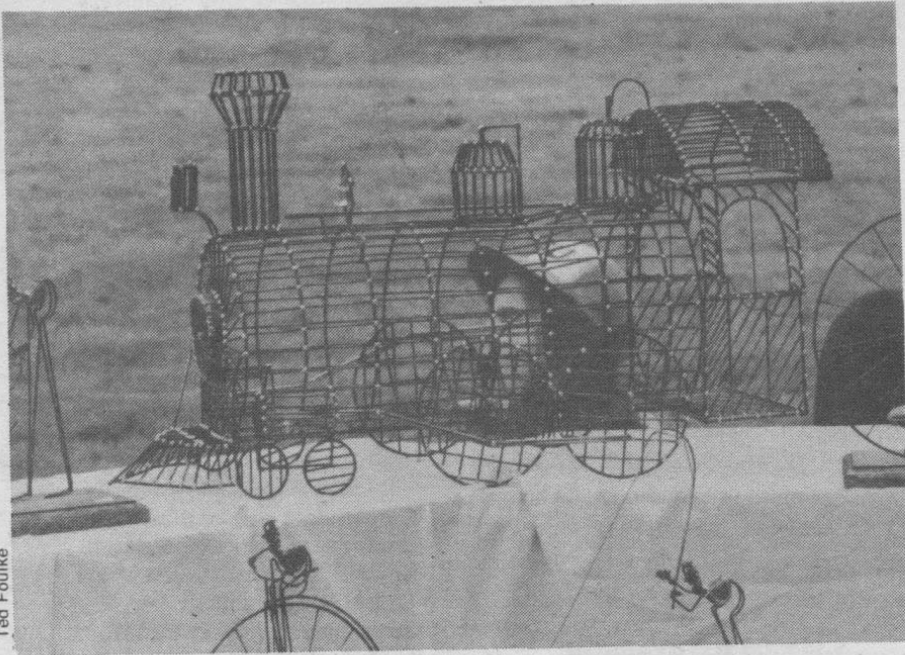
work-study program. Irene Trent, in the placement office, indicates there are still excellent work-study jobs available. In addition to these funds, the financial aid office can help students learn about other resources in the community such as special bank loans for students.

The financial aid staff will be glad to answer questions concerning the programs and to assist students with the application process. □

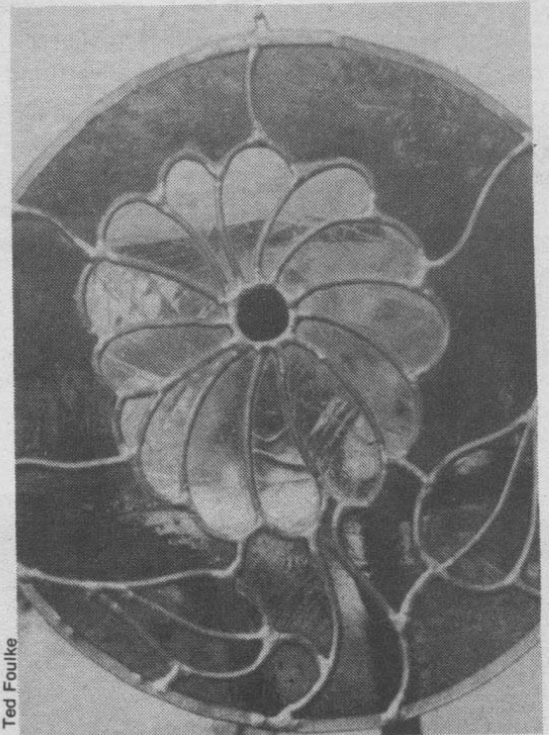
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# Autumn celebrated

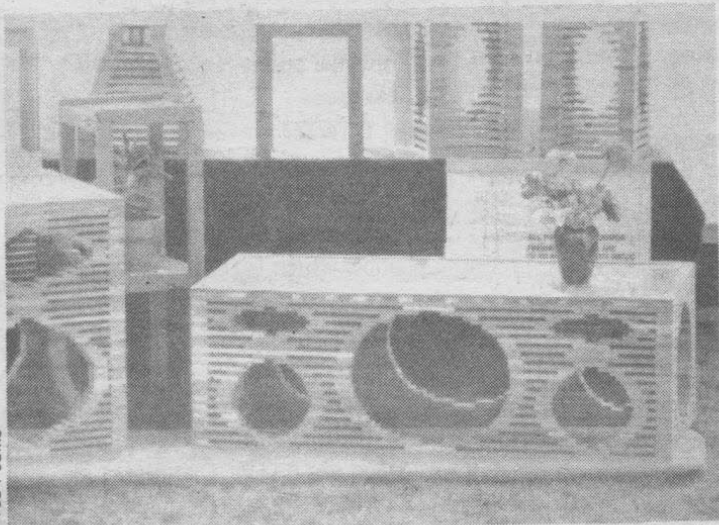
# in Corvallis



Ted Foulke



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The Corvallis Fall Festival, held in Central Park on Sept. 25 and 26, featured arts and crafts for sale of every description.



Ted Foulke

Though food was served with the sun, music, dancing, some brought their own lunch.

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## ASLBCC hears tax base proposal

by Loweta Hoskins

The ASLBCC, student body government, held its first meeting of the new school year on Monday, Sept. 27.

Representative attendance was good for the first part of the meeting, which dealt mainly with reports.

Members who were present listened to a one-and-one-half-hour presentation in support of the proposed tax base, by Jack Liles, administrative assistant to President Ray Needham, as he explained why students should support the tax base.

A number of persons left the meeting

due to conflicting first-day-of-term commitments, so that when the business section began, remaining members fell short of the two-thirds attendance needed for a quorum. Therefore, no business was conducted at the meeting, which was continued until Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m., Willamette Room in the College Center.

Members and all interested persons both students and faculty, are urged to attend, as the ASLBCC will attempt to determine whether the student body is in favor or against the tax base, which will be voted on in November. □

## Board keeps busy in summer

by Jim Perrone

LBCC's Board of Education learned that the college's Nursing Program will be forced to expand to live up to original commitments.

A recent visit on campus by the Federal Department of Health, Education and Welfare, who originally funded the program, revealed that the school was deficient in the number of student nurses being trained as compared to the projections made by the school when it applied for a Federal Grant under the Nurse's Training Act. This is the act which enabled LBCC to apply for and receive a grant enabling the school to finance about half of the Allied Health and P.E. Building.

Because of the shortage of R.N.'s being turned out H.E.W. can ask for part of its money back, if they choose. However this is not expected according to Doctor Robert Adams, dean of instruction. The college expects to offer more nursing classes to correct this problem.

"We're looking at weekends, evenings, and even to summer programs. We intend to honor the commitments we make," Adams said.

In another action this summer the Board of Education decided to apply for still another grant. This one under the proposed \$2 billion Federal Works Act of which Oregon is to receive \$37 million. College directors saw some hope in applying for about \$850,000 of these funds for constructing its planned Industrial K building. (The K building, when built, will house construction trades.) If the application is approved building will begin in a very short time. No local property taxes would be involved, as it's all part of an effort by the government to spur employment where it's needed most. A second choice was also approved by the directors and a decision was arrived at to apply for a second grant of \$1.2 million for construction of one deck of a General Purpose Building or \$1.5 million for two decks.

On a much smaller scale directors gave their approval to purchase a lot and to spend no more than \$40,000 in constructing a house through the construction trades technical programs. The students will build the house with funds borrowed from the college's contingency fund. Repayment of the full loan plus any lost interest will be made after the house is sold.

The board also made some other decisions during the summer months. Directors elected Ethel Yocum as their new chairperson and member Russ Tripp moved to second spot and became 1st vice president.

The board of education also appointed a new member to fill in the unexpired term of Earl Hirscheimer who resigned when he moved out of his elected district. William Swegar, director of curriculum, instruction and student services for Sweet Home was appointed to a one year term that started July 1.

Directors also approved a program to provide a minimal security and campus information service. Security aids are to be recruited from students.

A reciprocal agreement with Chemeketa Community College was approved where students from LBCC can take courses unique to CCC without paying out of district tuition, and vice versa. □

## Fall term calendar

### Movies

September 30, 1 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **M\*A\*S\*H\***  
 October 1, 7 p.m., Forum **M\*A\*S\*H\***  
 October 7, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **The White Dawn**  
 October 21, 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Steppenwolf**  
 October 28, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Phase IV**  
 November 4, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Catch 22**  
 December 2, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Three Days of the Condor**

### VTN's

October 4-8, Fireside Rm., **Reefer Madness**  
 October 11-15, Fireside Rm., **National Lampoon Show**  
 November 15-19, Fireside Rm., **Who Shall Feed the World**

### Chautauqua's

September 29, 11:30-1, Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Rich Ringelsen**  
 October 1, 11:30-1, Alsea/Calapooia Rm. **Cumulo Nimbus**  
 unbooked dates (no particular group yet but planned for Chautauqua performances)  
 October 6, 13, 27  
 November 3, 10, 24  
 December 1

### Strawberry Jammin'

October 8, 15  
 November 5, 12  
 December 3

### Art Exhibits

September 27-October 22, **Steven McLeod oils**  
 October 25-November 19, **Russian Graphics from Uzbekistan**  
 November 22-December 17, **Richard Cooke Photographs**

### Dances

October 1, Commons, 9 p.m. to midnight, **Thumbs and Wally Nueman**  
 December 3, Commons, 9 p.m. to midnight

### Play

November 10-13 and 18-20, 8:15 p.m., Main Forum, **Godspell**

### Miscellaneous Events

October 15, 7-10 p.m., Main Forum, **Nuclear Symposium**  
 October 16, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Swap Meet**  
 November 15-19, **Health Food Week**  
 December 4, 1-4 p.m., Commons, **Kid's Christmas Party**  
 December 6, 8 p.m., Main Forum, **Concert Choir's Christmas Concert**  
 December 8, noon, Main Forum, **Swing Choir's Fall Concert**



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The traveling LBCC Pocket Billiards Club is now forming for fall term. This club is open to any student, staff, or LBCC related personnel. Its primary function is to promote interest in competitive pocket billiards throughout the Northwest. Anyone interested in playing for LBCC please contact Frank Bitterman in CC 212 or leave message at the College Center office.

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# College textbook business everything from profits to rip-off

by Helaine Lasky

(CPS)—When students begin studying for their first economics exam, chances are they will overlook one very rich lesson in basic supply and demand theory. That textbook, for which the student has probably supplied between \$13 to \$15, is happily and steadily filling the publisher's demand.

The textbook industry is a financial oasis in the publishing business as new markets open up in adult education, women's studies and texts which one leading publisher says are down-shifted for the increasing number of junior colleges, community college and night school courses. There is also a "return to basics in education philosophy in 1976," reports Jim Bradford at Scott, Foresman and Co. publishers.

This trend marks a change from the past five years. "In 1971, we were still in Vietnam. Today students are more interested in what this course will do for them in terms of coping with the world. There is a focus on the consumer side of economics," Bradford stated.

Textbooks are being geared more towards practical education. Today a student can open a textbook and learn how to borrow money for a new car, finance a house or even balance a checkbook, instead of confronting one hundred years of historical data. In fact, the all-time best-seller on the college textbook charts is a volume called ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES by C. Rollin Niswonger and Philip C. Fess which has been on the list for 2444 weeks and is in its eleventh edition. And for anyone who thought that

textbooks existed only for that rare student who is adept at memorizing dates and figures, Prentice-Hall publishers put out a text called LIFE INSURANCE that has been selling steadily since 1912. The new edition is priced at \$15.95 and is expected to sell 25,000 copies in 1976.

But the words "new edition" are enough to bring tears to the eyes of a student taking introductory courses like economics or political science. These courses often require texts which are revised regularly and that means that a student cannot by the book used and possibly save as much as fifty percent.

For the publisher, though, the used book business is a pain in the profits. In fact, one of the main reasons for revisions, according to a leading college textbook publisher, is to cut out the used book market. Apparently there is no money for publishers in used books.

Barnes and Noble, which operates used book franchises, buys books back at 40 percent of the original cost and resells them at 60 percent. The author of the book being resold receives no royalties as songwriters do.

The publisher of the college textbook must also deal with an interesting form of rip-off, that of the free sample. Periodically, publishers will distribute thousands of complimentary books to professors for possible sales or reviews. However, these books are often sold to the used book dealer. It costs a publisher between \$3 and \$5 to give away a \$12 text, for example, and often that text ends up on the eye-catching

table marked 60¢ - 70¢

Scott, Foresman and Co. recently gave away nearly 10,000 copies of a new biology text but it turned out to be a fruitless endeavor. A source at the publishing company reported that these complimentary editions would probably be sold by the professors for their own profit and cited one instance in which sample books were sold to finance parties.

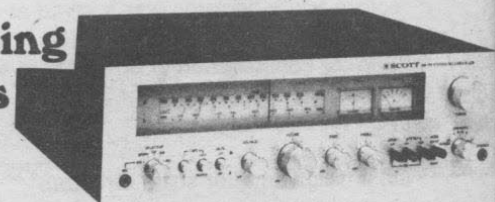
Nevertheless, publishing companies are still priming the textbook market by giving an average advance on a college textbook of \$5000 and royalty payments are being doled out at a rate of 15 percent.

There is one encouraging movement by publishers to make textbooks more responsive to classroom audiences. They are arranging a collaboration between the professionally recognized author and the professor at the small community college who is more familiar with his or her classroom audience than the professional, but whose writing ability often keeps that teacher out of the textbook field.

While it is not certain who is getting the largest slice of the textbook dollar, there seems to be no substantial decline in the amount of college book publishing...perish the thought. □

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