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Four seek posts on board of ed

Former Sweet Home councilman challenges ex-Lebanon chamber president for open seat

By Carrie Cox
Staff Writer

Four people have filed for the three openings on LBCC's Board of Education in elections scheduled for March 31.

Incumbents Richard Wendland and Joseph Novak have filed for re-election. Wendland represents rural Benton County and Novak represents north and west Albany. Both are running unopposed.

John Davis and Walt Griffith are running for the seat representing Lebanon, which is currently held by Dr. Kenneth Haevernick, who is retiring and will not seek re-election.

Davis, general manager of western timber and logging for Willamette Industries, has no experience on boards of education, but has been active on many local organizations. Davis has served on the Sweet Home City Council, was chairman of the city's Public Works Committee, and has served on public safety, planning, and budget committees.

"I am a strong supporter of community colleges because the college system plays a very important role in preparing people who are not university bound for jobs in the local community," Davis said. "One of the things that LBCC does, and needs to do more, is coordinate their offerings with the kinds of positions that are available in our business community." Davis said he feels he can offer some ideas in this subject and others.

Walt Griffith, sales associate for the Charles H. Lilly Company and an active Lebanon resident, has been president of the Lebanon Chamber of Commerce, president of the Linn County Chamber of Commerce, and chairman of the Lebanon Economic Task Force. He currently serves the Lebanon Industrial Development Council and is working on a project to develop Meadow Farm, a crop alternative for Mid-Valley farmers. From 1972-1986, Griffith owned and operated Walt's Garden Nursery. If elected, Griffith said he would "like to help our community by expanding LBCC's programs for the functional illiterates in our counties."

Voting will be conducted by mail.

DECA holds fundraisers for trip to national business conference

By Keith Rude
Staff Writer

"Do I hear twenty, twenty-fi, fi, fi, fi, twenty-five . . . Twenty-five! Going once, going twice, sold to the businessman with the blue shirt in the second row."

"Hamburgers, cheeseburgers, Cokes, Seven-up, potato chips . . ."
An auction, hamburger sales, raffle and lottery are a few of the fundraisers being used this year by DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America), an LBCC club that became self-supporting this year and is no longer using student activities funding.

"DECA, also known in the Greek system as 'Delta Epsilon Chi,' is a professional student organization that provides opportunities for future marketing managers," said Mark Thayer, LBCC DECA president. "DECA gives students practical experience in their chosen field while operating as a club function."

On Feb. 20-22, LBCC DECA members attended a state business conference in Salem, competing against other chapters in such business categories as marketing, management and sales, he said. Thayer, who placed second at state in the general merchandising category, will be attending nationals in New Orleans on May 23-27. Joining him are John Kruger, who placed fifth in food marketing, and Jeff Pelo, who was third in hotel/motel management.

The money to travel to the national meet—about \$2,000—must be raised by the 21 students enrolled in the club. Anticipated expenses include roundtrip airfare, hotel, food and conference registrations, said Thayer.

The club has \$400 saved for the trip so far, and is planning several fundraising events to obtain the additional money, he said.

One of the events is the "Three-Minute Shopping Spree" raffle, going on now. Tickets may be purchased for \$1 or six for \$5 at a table in the Commons.

Future events include a "Slave Auction," scheduled for the Albany Chamber of Commerce in early April. The auction will allow area business people to purchase a student in exchange for a day's worth of work. "The chapter members sold at the auction will have an opportunity to learn as well as making a profit for the club," said Thayer.

Planned for spring term are the annual DECA Burger sales, a lottery and the possible solicitation of sponsorships from local merchants, he said.

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Class Clowns

Clowning instructor Jimmie "Pencils" Lucht puts a nose on Felicia "Flicker" Springer to complete her graduation from the winter term class Tuesday night at LBCC. More photos on page 5.

Regional skills competition draws high school students

The 12th annual Regional High School Skills Conference will be held at LBCC on March 7.

Students from 18 high schools in Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties will compete in more than 50 vocational and academic contests held from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. with the award ceremony set for 2:30 p.m. in the Activities Center.

Last year more than 950 students competed in events that include art, auto mechanics, business, office skills, textiles, electronics, machine shop and welding.

The contest is jointly sponsored by LBCC, the Linn-Benton Education

Service District and about 50 local businesses. About 150 volunteers from LBCC, local schools and businesses will help administer and judge the events.

Schools will be split into three divisions based on enrollment. Awards are given for highest percentage of students involved, highest number of individual and team awards, and for most contests entered. First, second and third place winners in all contests will be awarded medallions. Last year's division winners were South Albany High School, Division 1; Philomath High School, Division 2; and Alsea High School, Division 3.

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Editorial

Emergency drills needed; not exercise in futility

Principles can make compelling arguments that determine and defend appropriate actions and reactions to certain situations. But too often, circumstances and realities diffuse the logic of some values, resulting in unpractical and ineffective execution of decisions.

For example, the state, country and world will not likely benefit from Oregon's refusal to participate in a national nuclear emergency exercise.

Supporters of the boycott contend that preparations and attempts to survive an all-out nuclear attack is useless. Considering the overkill scenario of the federally sponsored nuclear attack drill, this argument is logical.

The emergency drill is intended to monitor and test the responses to Oregon being hit by 10 nuclear warheads, a tasteless and grotesque assimilation to say the least. The destructive magnitude of such an attack would obliterate most of the state, and the potential radiation levels in any part of the state left on the map would leave little or no chance of life to exist.

However, the possibility of surviving a somewhat less spectacular attack increases if the public (government and private sectors) is aware and trained in procedures designed to alleviate the consequences of nuclear explosions.

Taxpayers spend a considerable amount of income supporting agencies responsible for public safety and protection. If a nuclear emergency arises, either from warheads or an accident at a nuclear power plant, taxes become more worthwhile when those emergency systems are proven to be efficiently coordinated and successful.

Oregon should be applauded and respected for taking a stand against the absurdity of nuclear war. But, ignoring an opportunity to test emergency programs while jeopardizing federal subsidization of those programs may be a decision citizens will find regrettable in the future.

—Dale Owen



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Street Beat

Do you agree with the decision to refuse to participate in nuclear emergency exercises?



Hal Eastburn, music instructor

I think he refused for the right reason. The only question would be whether or not you (the state) would lose government money. It appears that they investigated well enough to come up with the fact that they wouldn't. I agree with the stand he's making. It's a fairly worthless exercise.



Rod McCown, heating/refrigeration

They ought to have some plan of awareness in case there ever is a nuclear bombing in Oregon but they also should deal with nuclear accidents at places like Hanford. I'd be more scared of nuclear attack. It's the same thing. We have Hanford and all those wastes. The people should be aware because of the dangers that we live in.



Tim Bridges, pre-dental

I think it's a good idea not to get involved in it. I find it's a wise decision. He's acting as a strong governor. Basically if he didn't agree to the drills he was told we would lose funds. I'm glad he didn't let into the pressure of a threat that says, "if you don't do it then this is what will happen." It shows a lot of strength.



Sonja Sorensen, business

Yes, because I think it's a futile effort. I don't think nuclear war is survivable. I think it's a waste of tax dollars. I don't think any attack is survivable at all. I think that planning for something you are not going to live through anyway is a waste of tax dollars. We should spend our money on preventing war not preparing for it.

Letters

Safety belt decision not a personal 'right'

To the Editor:

I find I must respond to your editorial of Feb. 25 regarding seat belt laws. Your statement that "The consequences of not wearing seat belts are mostly suffered by those people choosing not to wear them" shows a regrettable lack of insight.

Surely you are aware that insurance premiums are in part based on projected payouts from insurance companies for injuries incurred in accidents. Since it has been shown that serious injuries are reduced by wearing seat belts, people who choose not to wear them are directly contributing to our ever-increasing insurance costs.

People often say "it's nobody's business but mine whether or not I wear seat belts." How wrong they are. If an individual is permanently crippled or paralyzed in an auto accident as a result of not wearing a belt, whose business does it become to care for that individual? The county? The state? Friends? Relatives? Obviously the choice of not wearing a seat belt goes far beyond one of personal freedom. Those irresponsible individuals who refuse to wear belts are using the same arguments which smokers use when their "rights" to pollute non-smokers air are denied.

Finally, the non-seat belt users say that our law enforcement of a seat belt law would be impossible. In fact, the seat belt law enforcement would be considered "secondary enforcement," that is officers would only check for compliance after stopping a motorist for some other infraction. In addition, use of seat belts would quite likely give enforcement agencies more time to devote to victim

crimes since they would probably have to spend less time prying maimed or dead bodies out of auto wreckage.

When you really think about it, not wearing a seat belt is more of an infringement on personal rights than mandatory use.

James Lucas
Faculty, Animal Technology

Remodeling changes touch ELS student

To the editor:

I have heard the saying "The Lord moves in mysterious ways," several times by Bible thumpers.

However, I wish to state that there "are no flies" on the LBCC custodians either!

Last year when the students came back after a short vacation, and lo and behold, the ladies' restrooms had new sinks that had been badly needed.

This year on Monday, January 26, someone had unrolled a red carpet in the upstairs hallways—immediately bringing to mind there must be an imminent visit by royalty. But no, when upstairs and the classroom in 208 were observed, there was a tweed carpeting of rusty orange, with a touch of yellow and brown color, covering the tile floor.

I expect a Genie to appear any time in the hallway to whisk me off to far away places!

I can hardly wait to see what the next year will bring! Perhaps the heating system could use a little attention, bringing the noise decibals down some. Oh well, one cannot expect "the moon with green cheese."

As the "can't is done right

away—the impossible takes a little while longer!"

Since the room and hallway has been brightened up, maybe some of that brightness will rub off giving me a touch of smarts.

Sue Knox
ESL student

Express Yourself

The Commuter encourages readers to use the Editorial Page to express their opinions. Commentaries and observations on campus, community, regional and national issues are welcome.

Submissions may be in the form of letters to the editor or, for topics which require deeper analysis, guest columns. All letters received will be published, space permitting, unless they are considered by the editor to be potentially libelous, obscene or in poor taste. Guest columns should be approved in advance by the editor. Readers wishing to submit a guest column are asked to first discuss their idea with the editor.

All submissions must be signed, with phone number and address. Please limit letters to 250 words. Editors reserve the right to edit for length, grammar and spelling.

Etcetera Column

The Commuter staff welcomes staff and students to submit announcements of upcoming events and activities to its Etcetera column, which appears weekly on Page 3.

Submissions should be no more than 100 words in length to permit publication of as many notices as possible in the space available. Final deadline for submissions to the Etcetera column is noon on the Monday prior to publication.

Submit written notices to: Etcetera, c/o the Editor, The Commuter, CC-210.

DECA members win at state level; head for Orleans

Three of the four DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) members who competed in the Feb. 20-22 state competition have qualified for nationals to be held in New Orleans.

To qualify, a member had to finish in the top five of a competency-based event or place first in a traditional event. Mark Thayer, state president and LBCC chapter president, Jeff Pelo, and John Kruger each met these standards to qualify for the national competition in March. Scott Rosumny, state officer, placed sixth in general marketing, and will attend nationals if one of the top five is unable to make the trip.

Thayer finished third in general merchandise to earn the trip to New Orleans; Pelo took fourth in hotel/motel management, and Kruger got fifth in food marketing.

Although LBCC's club was the smallest group attending, each LBCC student got an award, the only school at the conference to do so.

LBCC came home with 10 awards overall. Thayer got two firsts, a second and two thirds; Pelo brought home a second and two thirds; and Krueger and Rosumny each got a third place award.

At the conclusion of the awards ceremony, Jay Brooks, LBCC chapter advisor, announced his retirement as state advisor after 10 years of service.

"I've enjoyed watching the kids compete and grow," said Brooks. "All the hassles were well worth it."

Dr. Mike Finnigan of Mt. Hood Community College, will replace Brooks.



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Jim Tolbert lectures in Introduction to Graphic Communications while an interpreter signs to a deaf student.

Deaf strive for recognition at LBCC

By Stephanie Babb
Staff Writer

The phrase, "You are to be seen not heard," has a different meaning for the eight deaf students attending classes at LBCC.

Besides the usual problems that college students encounter, these people must deal with a handicap that makes education even more difficult to achieve.

Interpreters play a large role for deaf students. When registering for classes, schedules must be arranged so the two available interpreters can divide their time between the students.

Bobbi Lucas, a deaf student at LBCC majoring in social sciences, lost her hearing two years ago. She reads lips fairly well, but is still taking a sign language class taught by Denzil Peck.

"It's hard in the classes because sometimes you don't know what's going on," Lucas said. "LBCC is my only form of social life. I'm enjoying taking sign classes here and I'm learning a lot," she added.

Peck, an interpreter and sign language teacher, commented that one of the most difficult things about being a deaf student is coping with the language barriers.

Sign language is a type of communication in which the vocabulary is interpreted by gestures. Certain movements of the hand create different letters that spell out a message. Some gestures relate a complete thought.

According to research done by Lucas for a school paper, the concept of sign language has been in existence since the early 1800s. However, ignorance of its use is still prevalent within the hearing community.

Lucas cites a survey taken of deaf students who were leaving an oral school. Deaf students' comprehension of what was being said in classes was no more than 10 percent.

Rosemary Bennett, a counselor in the Student Development Division, became inspired by a client to learn sign language. "I wanted to learn how to communicate better with people that are deaf," she said.

Due to her heavy work load, Bennett dropped the class, but has intentions of returning. She believes it's important for other faculty members and teachers to learn sign language.

Deaf students must work harder, within the confines of their handicap, to get an education, Peck said, and the biggest hurdle to overcome is the lack of recognition of the problem by society.

Albany attorney describes life in U.S.S.R.

By Marge Warner
Staff Writer

Albany attorney William Brickey gave a light-hearted, introspective lecture and slide presentation about the Soviet Union to an attentive "lunch bunch" group of 20-25 students and faculty last Wednesday at LBCC.

Brickey found the Soviet people to be warm and friendly. "They really seem to like Americans," he said.

Brickey's talk centered on his observations and reactions to the legal system and cultural experiences he had while on a 17-day educational and cultural exchange tour of the Soviet Union last year with his wife and other U.S. attorneys.

The Soviet people take a firm stand on positions of defending the "mother land," Brickey said.

The three P's (party, politics, and patriotism) is the prevailing communist theme throughout Russia, he said, explaining that it is publicized everywhere on signs and huge banners. This theme is also reflected in their laws and legal system, he added.

Among the observations Brickey brought back from the U.S.S.R. were that lines were long, and merchandise was of poor quality in the state-run department stores; police do not carry guns; a marriage takes only two to five minutes in state-

run marriage houses; the gold onion-domed cathedrals have been converted into museums and motorists have curious ways of staying out of court after auto accidents.

He said he found Moscow to be a restricted city of eight million people. One must have at least three permits to live there—a work permit, a housing permit and a residence permit. Permits are basic and issued upon a person's abilities and contributions to the economy.

Brickey said that the tomb of Lenin carries much symbolism for the Soviet citizen.

According to Brickey, "The communist know, and I am convinced that they know, that no one in that country will fight or defend communism. But everybody in that country will fight and defend the mother land, so they have combined this mass tomb along with the tombs of other Russian heroes and put them in a church-like setting. In quiet reverence, flowers are placed at the tombs daily by various groups. Lenin's tomb is open 24 hours a day and is guarded by the military elite which represents Russia's finest young men."

At one point on his trip Brickey witnessed an auto accident and was surprised to see that within a matter of minutes the people involved had pushed the cars aside and were gone by the time the police arrived.

Brickey said he asked the Soviet lawyer, who was accompanying him, why the motorists were so anxious to abandon the scene of the accident. The lawyer replied, "In the Soviet Union everything is a crime—both drivers would have been punished without regard to who was at fault."

On the third day of the tour, Brickey's bus was pulled over to make way for a peace march.

"We were told that 900,000 people were participating in the march," Brickey said. "People were let out of school and work and formed up in lines in housing areas, union halls and their places of work."

One of the Soviet attorneys explained to Brickey, "It was in their best health to march." Brickey thought the attorney meant "best interest" and corrected him. "No," Brickey said the attorney replied, "It's good for your health to march."

Brickey found it interesting for the marching volunteers to have three or four military men walking along side them with a couple of officers marching along side about every 400 yards.

The march was designed to show support of the Soviet people for freedom and friendship. The marchers carried signs that read "A Wave of Peace Is Sweeping Over Our Country."

Brickey noted that all the signs were professionally printed. "None were hand lettered," Brickey commented.

Etcetera

Self Hypnosis class

The \$7, one-day "Self Hypnosis and Personal Growth" class will be taught by Dr. Maurice McDowell, clinical psychologist, and will take place March 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Room 2 of the Lebanon Center, 2600 Stoltz Hill Road. For more information, contact the Lebanon Center at 451-1014.

Collage Exhibit

Works by 23 artists from Oregon, Washington and California will be on display in the library at Linn-Benton Community College from March 2 through 27. The exhibit at LBCC is co-sponsored by the LBCC Student/Community Activities Committee and LBCC Library. The exhibit is free and open to the public from 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, and from 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Artichoke

"Artichoke" will be presented March 6 and 7, at 8:15 p.m. and Sunday, March 1 and 8, at 2:15 p.m. in Takema Theatre. Tickets for "Artichoke" are \$4.50 for adults, and \$3.50 for children, LBCC students and seniors. Advance tickets are available from French's Jewelers, 140 W. 1st in Albany; The Inkwell, 234 SW 3rd in Corvallis; and LBCC's Theatre Box Office in Takema Hall. The box office is open from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and three hours prior to each performance. Tickets may be ordered by phone 24 hours a day by calling 967-8504.

OSU Brass Choir

The OSU Brass Choir and the OSU Concert Band will present a concert Wednesday evening, March 11 at 8:00 p.m. in Austin Auditorium of the LaSelle Stewart Center on the OSU campus. The Concert Band will perform works by American composers from the American Band heritage, while the brass choir will perform pieces primarily from the Renaissance period. The entire performance should last one hour and 15 minutes and the concert is free of charge.

OSU Symphonic Band

The Oregon State University Symphonic Band will present a concert in the LaSelle Stewart Center on Thursday, March 12, at 8:00 p.m. This concert will include music the band has prepared for their upcoming tour of Taiwan, Republic of China and Japan. There will be a \$3 admission charge for adults and \$1.50 for students.

Symphony Orchestra

The OSU-Corvallis Symphony Orchestra will play a concert of 20th Century American masterpieces at 8 p.m. Sunday, March 8 in the LaSelle Stewart Center, on Southwest 26th Street at Western Boulevard on the Oregon State University campus. Pianist Gary Ruppert, chairman of performing arts at LBCC, will be featured soloist with the orchestra, conducted by its music director Marian Carlson, in George Gershwin's "Concerto in F." Also on the program, which is part of OSU's festival, "200 Years of American Music," are "Lincoln Portrait," by Aaron Copland, and "Chichester Psalms" by Leonard Bernstein. Tickets are available for \$4 for adults and \$2 for students at Everybody's Records, Music West, Stone Piano Co., The Inkwell, and the OSU Music Department in Corvallis and at French's Jewelers in Albany. Tickets will be \$5 and \$3 at the door.

Money Talks

Economic inequities facing women and their families is the theme of a March 14 conference in Salem. For registration forms, call 581-2888 during office hours or write c/o Money Talks, P.O. Box 48, Salem, OR 97308 and information will be mailed. Registration fee is \$12 by mail and \$15 at the door. Price includes lunch.

Celtic Program

LBCC's Student Programs will host "Celtic Tradition in Story and Song" on Thursday, March 12 at noon in the Aislinn/Calapool Rooms. The program is free. For more information, call ext. 150.



Cheap Thrills

by Perry Koontz

Excitement doesn't immediately come to mind when mentioning the Luckiamute, Calapooia, and Alsea rivers, but for every lazy corner and ankle-deep straightaway, there is also a treacherous turn and a roaring rapid.

For the Luckiamute, the run from Sarah Helmich Park on Highway 99 to the boat dock at Buena Vista is approximately four hours, and is probably the slowest and easiest of the three rivers.

Canoeing during late winter opens a dimension few ever see on these rivers—a dimension mixed with white water, fast-moving channels and unexpected obstacles. Because of the added features, all three are rated as Class 2 waterways, which means they are not to be considered easy to navigate. You're going to have to paddle to avoid such things as fallen trees and you're going to have to watch out for channels that run under the overgrowth shrubbery hanging from the banks.

These rivers are not so much for the white water enthusiast as they are for people interested in trying something a little more daring than a lake. Daring may seem like a strong word, but if you're not prepared for such a trip, dangerous will fit even better.

Dress for getting wet. Either wool clothing with light raingear or a wet suit (if you're lucky enough to have one) work well.

Being able to maneuver a canoe properly is also a must.

Most important is to be able to swim well and to wear a life jacket. I've been through Class 4 white-water on the McKenzie River, as well as others, and I can say without hesitation, you need a personal floatation device on these small rivers.

Take only the essentials; a lunch, a change of clothes in a waterproof bag and a good attitude. If you think it could be miserable and cold, or if you're not sure you'd enjoy canoeing in the winter, chances are you're right. You have to want to do this sort of recreation.

Try to go in groups with two or more boats for additional safety, and let the boat with the most experience go first. If they have trouble, at least you'll have some idea where not to navigate.

A good place to start your trip on the Calapooia River is where it intersects Highway 34 near the Oakville Road intersection. It takes approximately three hours to reach Bryant Park, on the southwest corner of Albany where the Calapooia flows into the Willamette River.

For the Luckemute, the run from Sarah Helmich Park on Highway 99 to the boat dock at Buena Vista is approximately four hours, and is probably the slowest and easiest of the three rivers.

The Alsea River has several good runs so scout where you think you would like to go. Highway 34 West runs parallel with the river and makes scouting from the car possible.

Scouting the other two rivers is also a good idea, but will require some footwork. The main thing to check is how fast the current is in a narrow portion. If you doubt your abilities to control a canoe in such portions, practice maneuvers on the Willamette River in a safe section like the Corvallis boat landing or at Bryant Park before attempting one of the smaller rivers.

If, after trying one or more of these rivers, you find them lacking in excitement, I recommend the Siletz River. There is a stretch from the town bridge to a little park about 10 miles down stream. It's all an open canoe trip could ask for. Bon Voyage!



ATS Opens Rural Routes

Linn County will use its \$34,000 in state cigarettes taxes to provide free bus service on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the elderly and handicapped. Two buses will run during the day and two at night, connecting Albany, Lebanon and Sweet Home. Kristie Chilcote, Albany transportation supervisor, the service will operate on a six to eight month trial program to decide if the route is successful. After the trial program, other highways and cities might be added. Chilcote said a decision on when the service will start, and whether to charge riders who are not elderly or handicapped, will be made March 16.

'Amerika' criticized by local panel

By Mike Ramsey
Staff Writer

ABC's mini series, Amerika, was called a soap opera by a seven-person panel, organized by Educators for Social Responsibility, to discuss the issues raised by the program.

About 70 people attending the discussion at Milam Auditorium on OSU's campus listened while members of the panel criticized the film for failing to show issues such as the economic status and the education system.

Doug Clark, LBCC political science instructor, said that the intention of the producers of Amerika was to il-

lustrate conditions in the U.S. after a takeover by the Russians. One of the important elements that should concern Americans is the possible tyranny that comes from within, and the concentration of power with no check points along the way, he said. "Americans in the film lost their will to fight and to protect the freedom that goes with this country," said Clark.

Austin Walter, OSU professor of international studies, said that the movie came at a critical time for Americans because of the problems that the Government has had with Lebanon trying to undermine the American government with weapons.

Elaine Rector, Corvallis High School psychology teacher, did a class project to reach a conclusion of the film. One of the most disturbing and emotional parts of the film was the assassinations of congressmen

and senators. Rector said, "This will be a lasting impression in the minds of the children." The show was much like a soap opera, or sometimes boring to the children, Rector said. A lot of children would not have watched it if it would have not been a class project, she added.

Steve Sprecher, economics teacher said, "The program did not reflect much of a sense of vision." Issues such as the economy, education or religion did not come up in the film, he said. Sprecher thought the movie did show some resistance by the Church Underground Railroad which he thought was good. A lot was really left out such as the takeover and occupation of the country, he said.

David Grube, a physician in Corvallis, said, "It is American's own fault if freedom is not kept sacred and upheld. Americans must not let this country get into a position such as in the film."

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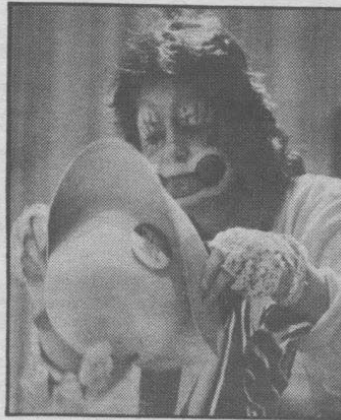
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Send in the clowns!

In Jimmie Lucht's Act of Clowning class at the Albany Center everybody's a class clown. The students learn to put on clown makeup, make costumes, and create skits. During the term the students paint clown faces on children, go clowning at a nursing home and combine all the skits for a final performance at the classes graduation ceremony. Students plan on teaching clowning to children and performing for churches, birthday parties, and other celebrations. Clowns pictured are (clockwise from right): Veldern "Buffy" Dixen; Felicia "Flicker" Springer and Dixen; Grace "Stripes" Johnson; and Norma "Janie Bell" Bennett.

—Photos by George Petroccione



Today's smaller Peace Corps offers big opportunities

By Stephen Nichols
Staff Writer

The Peace Corps is attracting fewer volunteers than any time in the corps' history, but supporters continue to praise it for providing unique and valuable international experiences and career training.

Peace Corps experiences "can be used as stepping stones toward future employment and the corps provides the best and most intense cross-cultural and language training available anywhere," according to Buck Deines, OSU peace corps coordinator.

Deines was a volunteer before he took over the coordinator-recruiter position for OSU two years ago. He served for three years in Guatemala and worked three years in Nepal. When he finishes his crop science degree at OSU he plans on taking his wife and children on another overseas assignment with the corp.

"I would pay for the type of quality experiences I've had in the corps," Deines said, adding that volunteers should have no set expectations and will receive from the corps what they are willing to put into the experience.

Deines said that it is important for volunteers to strike a balance between what they are willing to give and what they expect to

get from the corps commitment. "If one expects too much, he can be very disillusioned by the cultural, language, government bureaucratic and physical limitations that impede progress in certain countries." But Deines added that if one expects too little the volunteer will miss the real beauty of a culture cloaked in out-dated and old-fashioned lifestyles.

Deines' statistics indicate a downward trend in volunteers in the corps since the late 70s which parallels the recession in the U.S. economy. He said that "students seem to be more conservative now and are entering the job market immediately after their education. Whereas in the early days, more students were more idealistic and expressed a desire to help needy people in other countries."

Promoting the corp falls naturally to former volunteers. Potential recruits can hear about the corps' experience from 85 former volunteers living in the Corvallis area. Deines said his office has placed 20-30 volunteers a year for the past four years and OSU has placed 500 volunteers since 1961.

Deines uses a slide show featuring discussion by former volunteers for recruiting purposes. Deines said a letter from a current volunteer working in Yap, a former United

States trust territory in the Pacific Islands, offers many insights into the corps experience. Burl Sheldon wrote that "transferring skills from the well-trained American volunteers to the native counterparts is a major objective. He said that establishing trust with foreign workers is a major milestone. Working with a local counterpart, whose value system is different from anything I've ever experienced, takes lots of patience." Sheldon added that "barriers of communications are cultural and verbal, so reducing the filters between two different world-views is essential. Sleeping, eating, fishing, dreaming, laughing, etc. with the people here reduces the effects of the cultural differences and enhances communications."

Sheldon goes on to add that "cultural shock" will happen to any volunteer who loses a sense of humor. When "you stop having fun it becomes unbearable. I believe the most outstanding personal benefit of my Peace Corps service is the enrichment of my world view. The job experience is also a benefit."

Deines said the corp can utilize individuals with a vast array of skills but most needed are the technical areas of forestry, agriculture and math sciences and the labor areas of carpentry, mechanics and industrial arts. Deines has a

list of over 70 job classifications that the corp uses to place volunteers.

Deines said that recruits can request placement in any country served by the corps, but recruits have a better chance for rapid and guaranteed placement if they are willing to be flexible and go where the corps has a need. Currently over 5,600 volunteers are working on grassroots, self-help development projects in 62 nations around the world.

Under the leadership of Loret Miller Ruppe, who became Peace Corps director in 1981, the agency's efforts in the developing world have become a significant initiative within the Reagan Administration's foreign assistance programs.

Peace Corps' overseas operations are administered through three regions: the 24 nations of sub-Saharan Africa; the 19 Central and South American and Caribbean nations comprising Inter-America, and the 19 nations in North Africa, the Near East, Asia and the Pacific. Anyone interested in volunteering for the Peace Corps or obtaining additional information can contact Deines at OSU in the Administration Building or call 754-4085. Deines advises that it takes between three and nine months to be accepted, so "allow for this time frame."

Gonzales will address semester system; Popoff to discuss financial aid changes

LBCC's Student Awareness Week, which started Monday, will continue through Friday with informational sessions on new financial aid rules, the possibility of a semester system at LBCC, and facts about services such as job placement.

Lance Popoff, LBCC financial aid director, will talk to students about the new financial aid regulations Thursday in the Fireside room from 1-2:30 p.m. On Friday, President Tom Gonzales will speak on the possibility that LBCC will enact a semester system to keep in step with the state's four-year universities, which will switch to semesters in 1990. Gonzales' talk will be from noon to 2 p.m. in the Fireside Room. An informal question-answer session will be held after each presentation.

Coleman named top student for February

Mitch Coleman, second year agricultural sciences major at LBCC, has been selected as LBCC's Student of the Month for February by the Greater Albany Area Rotary Club.

Coleman, 26, is a graduate of Dallas High School, Dallas, Ore. He lives in Philomath with his wife and three-year-old daughter. Coleman worked on a ranch near Albany for several years before returning to college. "I had stayed out of classes for so long that I wanted to get my feet wet at a community college. Now I recommend LBCC to anyone who wants individual attention and outstanding

instructors. I'll transfer to OSU in Corvallis this fall," he said.

LBCC's Animal Technology Instructor Bruce Moos praised Coleman, "Mitch is outstanding in the top five in livestock judging. He placed as high individual in three categories in the latest contest. We haven't had anyone that good in the last few years. Mitch is a real joy to work with, and a very likeable person. I'd like to have more students like him!"

Recipients of the award are guests of the Rotary at a luncheon meeting and receive a gift certificate of \$25 to the LBCC Bookstore.



The Commuter/DAVE GRUBBS

Lambing Season

Visitors of the OSU Sheep Barns watch a ewe and her lamb. The sheep barns on Campus Way just west of 35th Street in Corvallis attract about 1,000 visitors a week during lambing season. The flock is a part of studies in animal health, breeding, and grazing management by OSU students.

LB student literary magazine requires submission by April

By Marco Coleman
Staff Writer

More submissions of literature and graphic art are needed to begin publication of a new LBCC literary magazine.

"If we can get enough material from students, we should be able to begin printing by sometime after March," said Brian Pearson, second-year printing technology major at LBCC. He had originally planned to begin publication over spring vacation.

Pearson needs black and white photos and drawings, short stories, poems, non-fiction essays and graphic designs.

Students may turn in their submissions at The Commuter Office, CC210, anytime before the end of March.

Publishing the works of LBCC students in a literary magazine titles, The Tableau, has been a tradition at LBCC for around 10 years. All of the magazines before now, have appeared as an insert in The Commuter.

According to Pearson, this year some changes will occur.

Pearson, who edited last year's Tableau, plans to turn the tabloid magazine into a five by eight-and-one-half inch book. He also plans to do all the printing work on campus with the help of LBCC graphics students.

By taking the magazine out of The Commuter, Pearson says he hopes to "improve the printing quality."

"We should be able to make something that looks real nice, and then sell it for \$1 or \$1.50 a copy," said Pearson.

The new magazine, which does not have a name yet, will be marketed through the school bookstore and possibly The Commuter office.

Funding for the publication of the magazine will come from the English Department, the Graphic Arts club, and The Commuter, said Dale Owen, Commuter editor.

Owen requested aid from the student council, but the request was turned down with the suggestion that he seek funds from next year's SAP budget.

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Alcoholics Anonymous will meet in HO 116 Monday through Friday at 12 noon.

If you are a writer, artist, or graphic designer interested in submitting poetry, short stories, and artwork for publication in April, look for student anthology information and advertisement in future issues.

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Out-of-Bounds

by Matt Rasmussen

LIVE FROM THE WELLNESS TRAIL...

Despite the random pelting of rain, droppings of seagulls and near freezing conditions—I'm still out here weathering the storm. Bringing you all the sports from the eye of the hurricane.

With only 102 days remaining until summer officially begins, it's time to peel off a few layers of clothing and check to see what condition your condition is in. Don't pay any attention to that blinding white skin, just remember if you can work some of it off now there will be less to tan later.

If you find yourself staring at your stomach in disbelief, much the same as I did, you must realize that it's time to shed part of that winter coat, and put a hole in that spare tire.

You know what I'm talking about—Exercise. A deadly word even in these liberal times.

This week I finally put aside all concern for personal safety, (not to mention public ridicule), and conquered the Wellness Trail.

It took about five minutes to clear up the red tape involved in securing a locker, towel, clothing and a supporter. Of all the things I thought I would need the latter seemed the most important—afterall, if I fell, whoever was supporting me would surely pick me up. Needless to say I felt a bit let down when my supporter turned out to be a pair of underwear with a breeze in the back.

I found my locker and changed quickly, eager to get out on the trail before I changed my mind.

Before stretching I stopped at the sports desk to put a few boulders on top of my paperwork, I sure hope Dale will let me back into the Daily Planet office one of these days. Rumor has it that once the sun comes out and the weather warms up, he's going to move me into one of the boiler rooms in the basement. If I didn't know any better, I would be inclined to think he was out to give me a hard time.

I started out at an awkward gait, looking very much like a wounded Tyrannosaurus Rex in a 50-yard dash. I began to feel like one when I noticed the entire track team laughing at my loping stride.

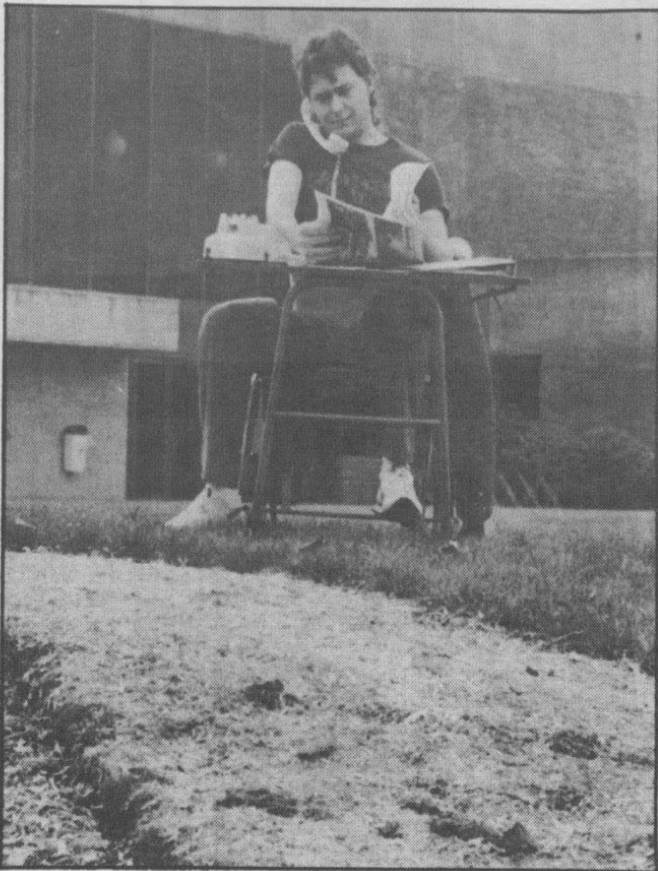
When I reached the second corner, I realized that my stride wasn't the joke. The fact of the matter was that, in my haste to hit the trail, I was running the course backwards. This, however, alleviated the deadly mistake of missing the turnoff and running the longer course. No heroes here, thank you!

Delighted by my apparent fortuitous mistake I picked up the pace, eager to finish my death jaunt, not knowing what fate had in store for me.

The next ten minutes were an exact flashback to the time I spent digging my car out of a bog in the out-back of Eastern Oregon. Had I known that there was so much mud, muck and water, I would have worn my combat boots. As it was I struggled through the swamp only to find that the bridge on the far bank of the stream had been moved. I wondered whether my Editor had an alibi for the previous hour. Probably not.

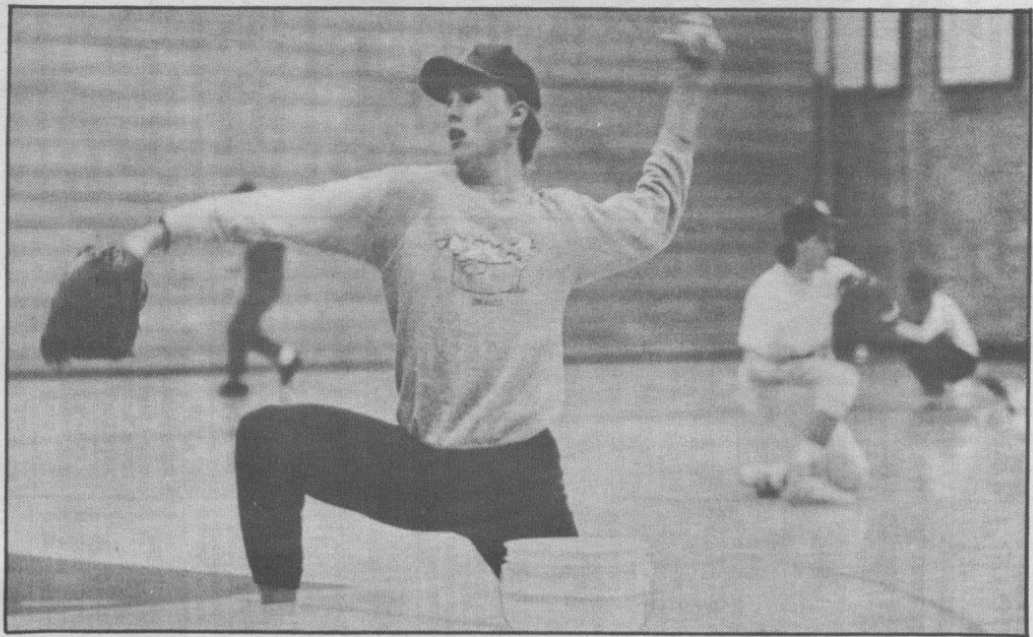
I leapt the stream and finished the trail with minor difficulty, and raced for the relative safety of the AC.

If there is a moral to this tale of agony it is only this: Don't start spring cleaning on that belly until spring actually arrives! If you feel that you must, be sure to take the Army Corps of Engineers with you.



Rasmussen mans the sports desk in exile on Wellness Trail.

The Commuter/GEORGE PETROCCIONE



Spring Training

Sean Reed, freshman ball player from Hermiston, warms up in LBCC's gymnasium while he and the rest of the baseball team wait the rains to break so they can go outside and play.

Recruiting top priority for new coach

Recruiting is of major importance to Alan Wellman, LBCC's new men's basketball coach.

The team stands to lose six of its players that experienced the most playing time.

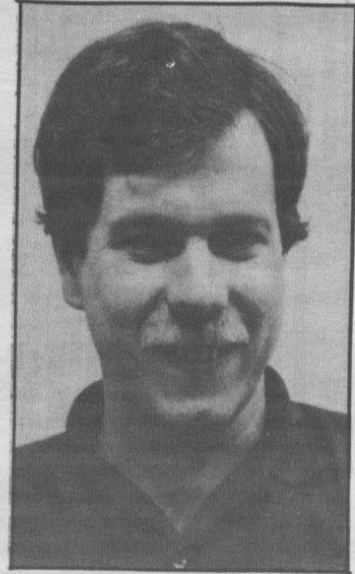
Joe Kleinschmit, Chris Denker, Pat Herbert and Jeff Vinson are no longer eligible, having played for two years already. Freshman Rod Smith is leaving. And Scott Montgomery, the Roadrunner's leading scorer for the 1986-87 season, is undecided about returning. "He is still making a decision as to his return next year," said Wellman. "The team needs players who will work hard and play well. There are a lot of spots to fill and I'm going to start looking for players to contribute right away, wherever they are at."

Al Wellman has a long basketball background from Missouri, where he played and coached basketball while attending high school and college. He then moved to Memphis, Mo., where he was the head coach at Scotland High School for four years.

Wellman came to Oregon to take a graduate teaching assistanceship at OSU. A year later he became assistant coach at LBCC and has been working with the program for the past three years—two years with Coach Brian Smith who compiled 12-14 and 8-18 seasons, and this past year with Coach Barrett and a 6-20 record.

"Basketball is a lot more competitive than people realize," commented Wellman.

Wellman said he may change the team's style of play next season. "There are a lot of offenses that will work as long as they are executed." He wants to work with a man to man and full court pressure defense.



Alan Wellman

Hawk leaves basketball for baseball

By Matt Rasmussen
Sports Editor

Why does the coach of a community college basketball dynasty step down after compiling an 82-31 record, including four consecutive 10-2 league campaigns and two Coach of the Year awards?

Because he plans to build more on his second dynasty—baseball.

Coach Greg Hawk gave up his position as women's basketball coach at the end of this season, citing his desire to put more emphasis on his already successful baseball program. Although the decision was announced Feb. 10, Hawk had been considering the move since the start of the season.

"I just feel it's time to make the baseball end of it take off like a rocket," says Hawk. "Baseball is what I played more of. My job as far as longevity is going to be as a baseball coach, and I felt like I needed to concentrate on the one, more than the other—that's why I made the move."

Coach Hawk has been burning the candle at both ends for most of his four years guiding both LBCC's women's basketball and men's baseball teams. Hawk inherited the double coaching position in 1983 from Dave Dangler who had held the two positions for seven years.

Hawk's duties aside from coaching the teams during their respective seasons have included recruiting for both squads year round, and keeping in touch with all his athletes already in school, no matter what season it is.

"Both sports were going on at the same time," he says, "I ran from one to the other all day long. It takes its toll on a guy."

Looking back, Hawk thought the challenge a great ex-

perience, noting—"If I had to do it all over again, I wouldn't go any other way."

When the latter part of November comes around next year Hawk knows he's going to feel the urge to move onto the floor and take charge. But adds that it's going to be nice to be able to sit down, enjoy a game and blend into the woodwork for a change.

Debbie Prince, who assisted Hawk for two years, will take the reins of the basketball team.

"I think Debbie Prince will do a super job with the girls," said Hawk. "She's a very knowledgeable coach. I know that the program will stay right where it is, if not get better."

Hawk says that he will lose a little financially, but quickly adds that money can't buy that extra evening or two with the family.

"Another part of the move has to do with getting my family started, I need to spend some quality time at home on the weekends."

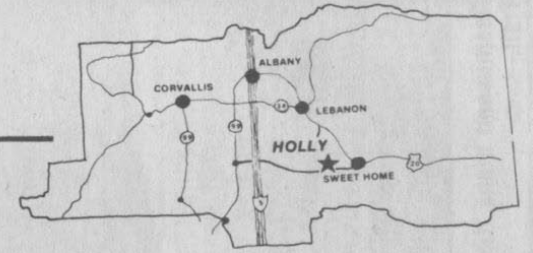
Reviewing the past four seasons, Hawk recalls a handful of games that stand out in his memory—a three-point win over Skagitt Valley for third place in the NWAACC, and a one-point win over Columbia Basin that same year, as well as both Hawaiian Night victories over Chemeketa.

"It's tough to remember every one of those 82 wins," says Hawk, "but I'll never forget a few of those ballgames."

The bottom line was the time involved for coach Hawk to help the teams reach their potential, raise a family and keep his wits. He always took the time in the past. His records speak for themselves.

"I'm the kind of guy that has always spent the time," finished Hawk, "cause I'm not going to lose."

Backroads



Holly

By Eric Snow
Staff Writer

If G.W. Pugh had known plants better, Holly, a small town on the upper Calapooia River, might be known today as Oregon Grape.

Pugh, the town's first postmaster, named the community after the shrub that he found growing abundantly in the area, which he mistook for an unusual variety of holly.

The townsite, 12 miles southeast of Brownsville off Highway 228, had originally been settled in 1853 by the Splawn, Malone and Rice families, who came to take advantage of available land grants. In 1854 they started the center of the sawmill industry in Linn County.

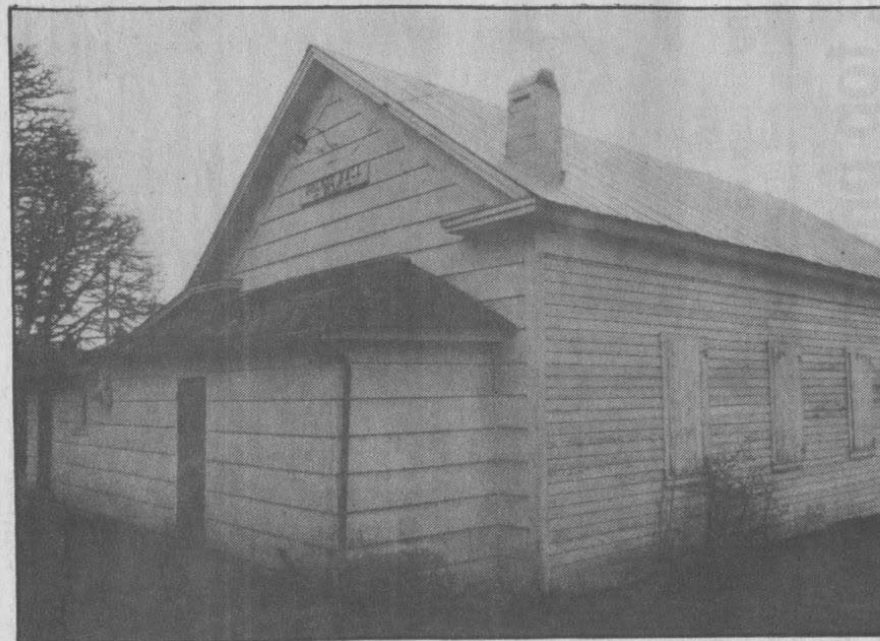
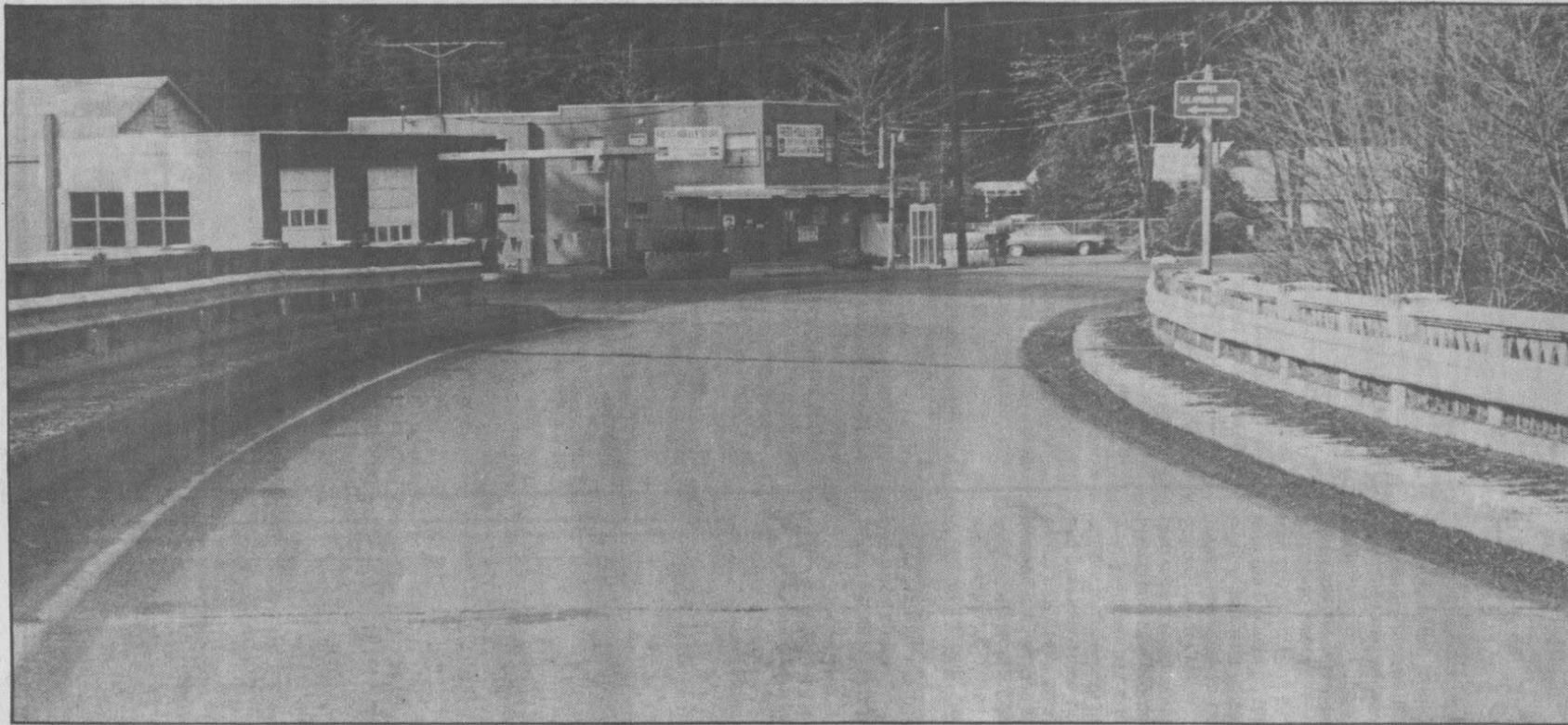
The people of Holly were rugged individuals like other pioneers. Where no industry or jobs existed, they made their own. They started by logging the area's forest, and after the land was cleared, began ranching and farming.

One of the old tales still circulating among present day Holly residents involves a local rancher, Peter Rapp, who wanted to be buried in his native Nebraska. But he also wanted to plan and attend his own funeral in Holly. So, in 1931, Rapp invited local residents to his funeral, mingled with his guests, and thanked them for coming. When he finally did die, his body was shipped to Nebraska and buried.

Not much is left of the original town except the Christian Church, built in 1897, a few houses and the grange hall.

In 1957, Holly's post office closed, and mail is now delivered from Sweet Home. Today, the school is north of the original town sight.

The East Linn Museum, in Sweet Home contains more than 1,300 pieces of Holly memorabilia from a collection that Lois Robnett Rice, descendent of the early pioneers, had in the basement of her century-farm home.



(Top) Entering Holly on Highway 228; the Christian Church (bottom right) and grange hall (far left) are about all that remains from the original town. Sweet Home Mouldings Inc.(center), is a local industry.

Photos by George Petroccione