

Lane County waterways:

A boater's paradise

by Frank Babcock

From the thundering, raging waters of mountain rivers, across flat, breezy valley reservoirs, to the tidewaters and bays of the Pacific coast, Lane County is a boater's paradise.

For every mood of the water awaits an opportunity for the boater--and some (although not all) of those opportunities are perfect for the LCC student on a tight summer budget.

- One local canoe and kayak dealer says, "We are lucky. Within minutes of Eugene we have two rivers--the McKenzie and the Willamette. In the upper portions of those rivers and in some of their tributaries there is some excellent 'white water'"--the stuff that turns kayakers on.

- A local power boat dealer says, "Within 30 minutes of Eugene is a wide selection of outstanding boating reservoirs: Fern Ridge, Fall Creek, Cottage Grove, Dexter, Dorena . . . those are just some of the more popular . . . Fern Ridge Reservoir is the most popular (U.S. Army) Corps of Engineers reservoir in the state! And that's including Bonneville Reservoir (Columbia River)."

- Coastal streams, such as the Siuslaw, flow gently by the docks and marinas of the deep-sea enthusiasts and into the endless Pacific. And mountainous dunes divide the sea from a abundance of coastal lakes.

For the variety of waters there is an equal variety of boats--and endless adventures.

Rapids, Riders and Dreamboats

For the kayak enthusiast, the upper reaches of the major rivers provide the challenges. The waters are cold, swift, and often deceptively treacherous. "Shooting the rapids" is the highlight of a downriver excursion and requires strength, skill, concentration--and a knowledge of river conditions.

There are portions of local rivers ideal for the beginner, but kayaking in its purest form, is not for daydreamers.

The hazards presented by an angry river require that the kayaker be totally equipped--thus, the initial minimum outfit is going to cost upwards of \$500, including the boat. There are many used kayaks available locally in the \$150 range, but helmets, wetsuits and life preservers are as important as the boat itself and are fairly expensive.

Local kayak outfitters advise the beginner to seek the advice of experienced kayakers before taking on

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A sailor takes his boat out on Fern Ridge Reservoir. Lane County boasts numerous sailing spots. Photo by Christie Davis.

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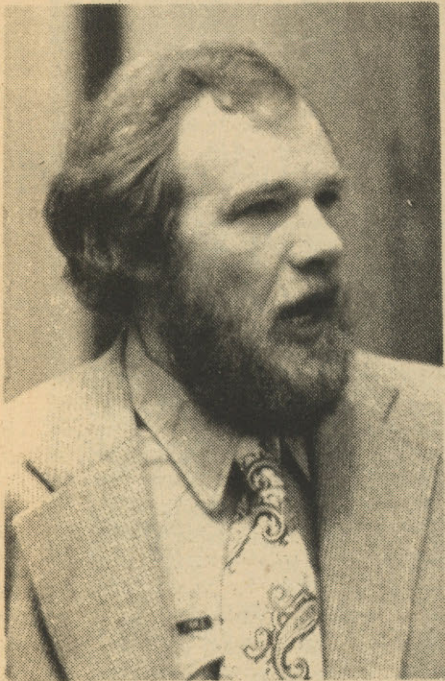
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Rust endorses hand clearing to replace herbicides



Jerry Rust

Photo by Jeff Patterson

by John Dutton

"Herbicide spraying to control brush on reforested land should be replaced by hand clearing," according to Lane County Commissioner Jerry Rust.

Rust made this comment before eight students at LCC last Friday, May 19.

Rust had just returned from a trip to Washington, D.C., where he met with congressmen and Forest Service officials, to demonstrate the problems of herbicide spraying. Rust had taken with him to Washington, D.C., a video tape produced by LCC students. The tape contained interviews with Oakridge Mayor Ronel Paddock, gubernatorial candidate Emily Ashworth, and Rust. It promoted the advantages of hand-clearing brush as opposed to helicopter spraying of herbicides.

Rust confided a personal anecdote to his listeners: "I have never announced this publicly before, but I collapsed while planting trees in an area that had been sprayed. I was flat on my back for six months." Rust said he believed he also suffered severe headaches and weakness

because of exposure to herbicides. He said that experience made him aware how dangerous herbicides really are.

Rust told the LCC audience Friday, "Most congressmen were not available but every last one had their staff there and they were impressed.

"I wanted them to see a couple of things," Rust explained, "that there is a cost-effective alternative to spraying and that it is a hot political issue. I got a positive reaction from a lot of them."

He also alleged that some politicians were supported by the timber lobby and were, he claimed, dragging their feet on the herbicide issue. "Governor Straub, Senator Hatfield, and Congressman Duncan are with the timber industry on this issue. I have written at least a half dozen letters to Straub but he has a deaf ear to this problem."

He recommended that concerned persons write to their elected officials and let decision-makers know how they feel about herbicides. He added, "This is an election year and their jobs are on the line, they have to listen."

Consumer Services administrator has warnings and tips for the public

by Sarah Jenkins

When Caroline Wilkins speaks, consumers all over Oregon listen. As the administrator of the state's Commerce Department Consumer Services Division, Wilkins has--as the saying goes--clout.

Last Friday, 20 women crowded into LCC's Women's Awareness Center (WAC) to listen to Wilkins talk about the work her office does and specific problems facing consumers.

Wilkins' speech was co-sponsored by the WAC and LCC's Social Science Department.

Wilkins' office, which was established by the Oregon Legislature in 1971, co-ordinates all consumer services in the state. She explained that in an effort to save consumers money, her office "keeps tabs on all the services available to Oregon consumers so there is no duplication (of services)." This includes working closely with the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Agency, the Departments of Agriculture and Education, the Public Utility Commissioner (PUC), and others.

However, the most time-consuming of her office's duties is handling complaints directly. In January, Wilkins and her four-woman staff received over 1,700 telephone inquiries. A written form from the consumer must then follow the phone call to make the complaint "official."

While noting that her office has no "enforcement arm," Wilkins stated that 84 per cent of the complaints filed with her office are resolved to the consumer's satisfaction.

Wilkins also had several suggestions for consumers. "The closer to home you handle complaints, the better," she stressed. If a problem arises with a local business she said that the consumer should first contact Eugene's Better Business Bureau (a part of the Chamber of Commerce). "The local office here is very good," she explained, "and they sometimes have a better understanding of the problem than we do in Salem."

Another warning Wilkins gave concerned dealing with mail order companies. While



Caroline Wilkins

Photo by Christie Davis

there are many reputable ones, she explained, "There are the others who are just trying to rip-you off." Warned Wilkins, "Be careful! As the old saying goes, there is no such thing as a free lunch." Those "super bargains," she added, "are more than likely frauds."

Wilkins also stressed the importance of a

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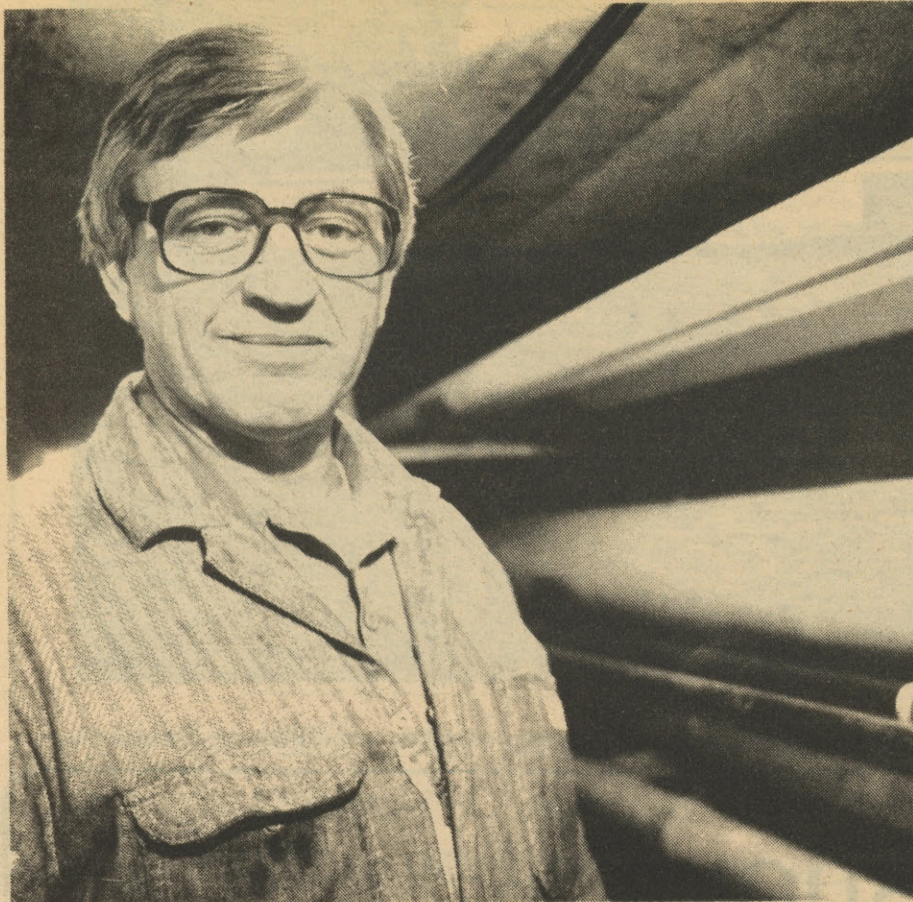
Traveling a mile of tunnels

by Steve Myers

Underneath the LCC campus is a maze of tunnels which connects all the college buildings. This subterranean passage system is seldom seen because only authorized personnel can enter. According to Walt Van Orden, LCC plant services director, a little

According to Van Orden, the primary purpose of the passageways is to allow easy access to all the pipes and wiring which run along the walls of the tunnels. That's where Hale comes into the scene.

"Plumbers and electricians spend a lot of time down here," explained Mark Shepherd, the LCC grounds manager, as he led me on a tour of the



Glenn Hale

Photo by Jeff Patterson

over a mile of tunnels run underground as much as 25 feet beneath the surface. These passages are 10 feet wide and eight feet high and are constructed of eight to 10 inch-thick concrete. They are dimly lit.

Glenn Hale is one of the authorized employees who travels in the tunnels. In fact, his job requires him to spend most of his working hours in the tunnels underneath the school. He is probably the loneliest man on campus.

catacombs. "But Glenn spends more time down here than anyone else."

Hale has been spending time in the tunnels since he was hired in October of 1973. His job's main concern is maintaining the heating and ventilation systems. This takes up most of his time Tuesday through Thursday of every week, but on Mondays and Fridays he goes over every inch of pipe in the tunnels checking for possible leaks.

According to Van Orden this is a safety precaution to prevent flooding problems, like the time in 1969 when a section of tunnel underneath the Health Services Department was flooded with four feet of water due to a major leak.

Hale's job requires him to check only on Mondays and Fridays, but he doesn't stop there. He spot-checks the pipes every day of the week.

"Whenever I go anywhere in the school . . ." he explained when I first met him during the tour " . . . I go through the tunnels so I can check on the pipes."

"It takes a little longer this way, but I also police the tunnel area for unauthorized people who find their way down here. We don't have much trouble like that anymore, but we used to."

Hale is 48 years old and the father of three children. He stands six feet tall and weighs about 200 pounds. He is a soft-spoken man with graying hair and glasses.

"I didn't use to wear glasses until I started working down in the tunnels," he related. "The lights aren't florescent so it's hard to see when you're working. It's not very bright.

"Sometimes I come out of the tunnels, especially in the summer, when it's real bright and I can't see anything for five minutes."

The tunnels house all the pipe and wiring needed to make the school operational: The domestic hot water line, the heating water pipe, the drinking water pipe, the electrical conduit, the gas pipe, the telephone conduit, and the intercom system. The only thing that is not in the tunnels that is needed by the school to operate is the . . . sewer line. Those are even deeper than the tunnels.

The underground network also houses several other necessities. At different points throughout the maze metal side doors open up to reveal rooms which house circuitry control panels and gigantic ventilation fans. One portion of a side tunnel is blocked off by a screen fence and is reserved for use as a storage room for LCC Archive's material--historical records of the college.

The most interesting aspect of the tunnels is where they connect to three

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Editorials & Letters

Terrorism threatens the individual-- but backlash threatens constitutional liberty

Commentary by Paul Yarnold

As recently as last Monday, bombs ripped through three buildings in New York City as the result of international urban terrorism; though no injuries were reported, a group identifying itself as Puerto Rican Freedom fighters (under the initials F.A.L.N.) defiantly took "responsibility" for all three bombings.

The F.B.I. refers to it as a small group of fanatics, which, because of its small organization, is difficult to infiltrate.

But where international terror is concerned, there are no isolated incidents.

Palestinian, German, Dutch, Irish, and possibly Italian terrorists have all trained in Libya under the watchful eye of General Kadafi, the military dictator of Libya, who is generous when it comes to arms and cash. From this secure base of operations, much of Europe has been throttled by kidnappings, sky-jackings, bombings, and assassinations.

Most recently, Aldo Moro, a former Italian Premier and influential leader of the ruling Christian Democratic Party of Italy, was assassinated after being held hostage by the Red Brigade for several electrifying weeks.

It is true that all this calculated carnage is happening miles and miles from Eugene. Why should we think of it as anything more than a media sideshow, where the desperadoes ought to be hung by their thumbs till they turn blue? How could urban terrorism disturb our relative tranquility, here in the Emerald Empire?

The key to answering this question lies in determining 1) what the terrorists plan to accomplish by their actions, 2) how the

political and constitutional changes (brought on by a need to keep order) will limit constitutional freedoms in the future.

First, all terrorist groups currently in the international limelight express the wish to topple the oppressive political structure, either in their own country, or world-wide.

They disguise themselves as Marxists with half-baked Marxist rhetoric, but their political platforms are either laughable or non-existent. Nor do most terrorists possess the illusion that a majority of any social class will be brought behind their political cause, though they attempt to identify with the "struggle of the proletariat."

The Red Brigade makes no bones about its cynicism. Members have already expressed their intention to topple the Italian Parliament, and force the evolution of a new fascist state. After this is accomplished the Red Brigade rationalizes that the Italian people will then have no choice but to rebel. If this sounds as naive as banging your head against a brick wall because it feels good when you stop, then it's time to look below the surface of the rhetoric, and the backlash hysteria that has followed.

Whose wishes are fulfilled by a withdrawal of civil liberties and the establishing of marshall law or even military dictatorship? Though there may be more than one answer, an example would illustrate my point very well. Immediate suspicion might lead us to consider CIA and Russian sources.

It is no secret that both the CIA and International Telephone and Telegraph (IT&T) played at least a financial role (with covert political pay-offs) in the overthrow of the Allende Government in Chile, and in the subsequent takeover of the current military junta.

And it is no accident that Carlos, the infamous Venezuelan who is suspected of coordinating guerilla raids from Paris to Ireland and across Arabia, was trained by the KGB in Moscow--before moving his base of terrorism and assassination to Europe.

The British also have a notorious reputation for espionage, counter-espionage, covert activities, and for maintaining a heavy-handed colonialist foreign policy which dates back to two centuries ago. As an example, some historians claim that it was none other than the agents of certain British bankers who short-circuited the French Revolution in the 18th Century to maintain Britain's economic balance of power on the continent. If this is ancient history to us, another scenario is in order. According to the newspaper, New Solidarity, intelligence officers of the British government may be directly supporting the Baadar/Meinhof gang in West Germany in order, again, to strengthen Britain's position among her "allies."



Graphic by Judy Jordan

Even if British or American governmental pay-offs are not directly made, it does not take a fertile imagination to realize that money can be channelled to an organization without its knowledge. This would mean little risk for the government providing the cash, while providing the same manufactured chaos.

Whether or not these intrigues are real cannot be said positively at this time; though incredulous, (and perhaps fascinating to some of us), they tend to lead away from the real question we are addressing.

What is required of us to deal with this explosion of terrorism?

Victory over this menace will only come through rational thought--the high-strung emotional backdrop is just what terrorists need to set their stage. When an individual confronts a crisis situation in an emotional state, he or she tends to "over-react." Governments, too, can "over-react."

We do have plenty to fear if terrorists are allowed their demands, and as long as some of the world's countries play host to these hooligans. But, as a nation and as a planet, we have much more to fear from the "security" which a fascist state has to offer.

It may be true that countries such as Italy, Germany, or Spain might be more easily tempted into this type of back-lash; there is no doubt that emotions are running higher and that the fascist roots of World War II are far from dead.

Sometimes it's too easy, in fact, for events and politicians to stir populations into reactionary states of mind. It took Joe McCarthy a short while to suck the U.S. into a frenzy in the 1950's. He used a good dose of anti-communist rhetoric, to make the "Red Scare" his personal campaign issue. Are we so sure, looking back on those years, that it can't happen here?

There is no argument from this writer that terrorists must be punatively and not sympathetically dealt with when captured; and convicted: I shed no tears over their spilt blood. But they **must** be dealt with in the ways that our constitution dictates.

To rewrite the law in ways that will more easily control terrorists will be to sign away our constitutional freedoms one by one.

It is not easy to watch innocent people suffer, or die. Nor is it easy to keep a cool head in the face of such useless carnage. But the toughest challenge will be to avert the iron fist of authoritarianism which the Red Brigade has vowed to bring about.

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woman establishing her own line of credit, rather than be dependent on her husband's credit rating.

With the recent advent of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, women can no longer legally be discriminated against when applying for credit. "More women should take advantage of this," Wilkins stated, "because it can be a major step forward."

Wilkins enthusiastically explained that women asking for separate credit can apply using any name they wish: "You can apply as Mrs. Joe Smith or as Mary Smith or as Mary Smith-Jones--it's entirely up to you."

Wilkins added, "Women have always been in the forefront of consumerism--first as consumers and then as consumer advocates. We are experiencing a resurgence in consumerism now. And women are an important part of it."

Oregon Women's Conference offers workshops

Laurie Shields, founder of the displaced homemakers movement will open the fourth annual Oregon Women's Conference at Lewis and Clark College, June 23, 24, and 25. Shields is the national coordinator for the Alliance for Displaced Homemakers, traveling to "light fires" for national and state legislation for displaced homemakers.

Seventy workshops covering lifestyles, education, law, mental health, careers, child care, media, religion and political process will be led by Oregon women and organizations. A celebration with poetry and music featuring the Ursa Minor Choir will close the conference.

For further information, call the Oregon Council for Women's Equality, 224-9782, or write the Oregon Women's Conference, P.O. Box 8568, Portland, Oregon, 97207.

Narrow job description led to resignation

To the Editor:

The following is my memo of resignation, which I wish to share with the campus community.

I resign from my position as department secretary for Study Skills, effective June 9, 1978.

I have enjoyed the staff and students very much during the last two school years and will miss everyone. The commitment and caring of the teachers is really special and beautiful.

Thank you, Jim (Ellison), for always being willing to listen to my point of view, and your understanding of my position. Your acceptance and encouragement have made it easier for me to fulfill the routine duties of this job, and keep a cheerful attitude about being here.

My criticisms are mainly concerned with

the total lack of upward mobility especially for women on campus, as well as the narrow definition and lack of variety in secretarial positions. These elements combine to stifle individual creativity and growth in the job. I feel that I could have a great deal more responsibility and provide services to the college far beyond the expectations for a secretary, and I'm sure many others feel the same. However, with narrow job descriptions, and an attitude prevailing among administrators that everything is fine the way it is, many bright and talented young people will seek career fulfillment elsewhere, as I have chosen to do.

I am looking forward to continuing my education and putting more energy and time into creative writing, gardening and travelling after leaving LCC.

Connie Hood

Ballot measure circular needs petitioners

To the Editor:

For the information of those concerned about the seemingly uncontrollable power companies in the state, an organization called Oregonians for Utility Reform is currently circulating signatures on an initiative petition to get a measure on next fall's statewide election ballot that would prohibit utilities from charging their customers for construction costs of power plants that do not yet produce power.

If our initiative is approved, the power companies will be forced to borrow money on the capital market if they are to finance their projects, instead of hiding these costs in their rates.

Rather than use the easy money they are currently allowed to get from the ratepayers,

they will have to see if investors have enough confidence to loan them the money.

Experience from other states has been that once the utilities are prohibited from charging for construction work in progress (CWIP), they are less likely to build such unusually costly and risky projects as nuclear plants.

All around the state, we have already collected 29,000 signatures on the CWIP petition. To get the measure on the ballot, we need to double that amount by the first week in July. If anyone would like to help circulate the CWIP petition, please contact me at 485-4908.

Sincerely,

Mark Cogan

SHS Correction

A story that appeared in last week's issue, entitled "SHS dedicated," stated that the Student Health Service sees about 40 students per day and that 1,658 patients had come to SHS in April. The average patient load per day for that month is actually 82.5. We regret the error.

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'Political power-cloud shrouds solar energy'

by Wes Heath

The calm on campuses today is just the "lull before the storm," says political activist Tom Hayden. "The apathy is only skin deep."

Hayden made those observations last week at the University of Oregon during a two-and-a-half-hour lecture on economic reform in which he also talked about activism, solar energy, and the "Campaign for Economic Democracy," a California-based organization which was co-founded by Hayden and his wife, Jane Fonda. Hayden was one of the original "Chicago Seven" Vietnam war protesters arrested in 1968.

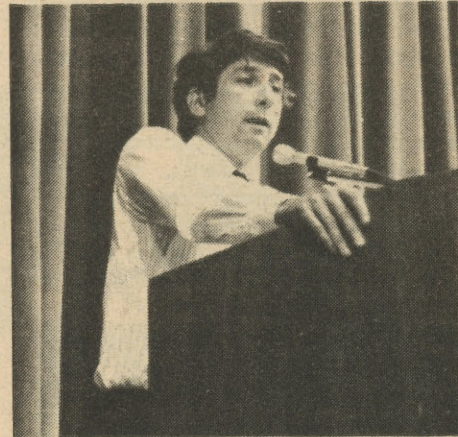
When asked why his organization avoided the socialist label, Hayden admitted it was only because "it's easier to run on the Economic Democracy ticket." He added, "Its beauty is its blandness. You can't come to a negative definition of economic democracy like you can 'liberal' or 'progressive.'"

Hayden said he believes the nation's economy will incite the same kind of campus demonstrations as did the Vietnam War unless immediate changes are made in the students' financial prospects.

"What many people are calling apathy is really just a cover for confusion," he said. "It's hard to put the need for a new economy on a picket sign." Hayden feels that young people are "bound to be less well-off than their parents--what with Ph.D.'s looking for

jobs at Sambo's."

Hayden lays most of the blame for this at the feet of big business--a kind of financial bloodguiltiness which he claims will only be purged by the redistribution of wealth and power in America. To accomplish that task, Hayden says the corporate structure of



Tom Hayden

business will have to be revamped to make individual citizens less at the mercy of "monolithic companies" that put profits above people.

Traditional liberal government programs attempting to do this have failed--the failure of progressive tax reform programs and anti-trust laws, he says, have made untraditional methods more and more attractive. Hayden offers as an example his blue print to see union pension funds, "which constitute the greatest private dollar amount," invested in housing projects and other "job-producing" activities instead of in corporations, especially since "some of those companies are undermining the unions themselves," he alleged.

He would favor less money spent on the military "in order to finance social reforms." And he would like to see immediate cuts made in the taxes levied against the middle class.

"We are at the end of the New Deal era where you could buy off the lower class with the tax dollars of the middle class without disturbing the loopholes of the upper class," he said.

Hayden lamented the practice of depending on anti-trust laws to break up monopolies because he feels those laws are ineffective.

"Large corporations are like nightcrawlers," he said. "If you cut a nightcrawler into seven pieces you have seven nightcrawlers."

But he said to defeat the oil companies is simply a matter of supplanting them by solar energy. "The whole world could be powered by solar energy in the next 50 years," he claimed, "if its supporters can overcome the bureaucratic fanagling of pro-oil lobbyists."

Replying to the argument that solar energy would not be compatible with some climates, Hayden disagreed. "The only cloud over solar energy is the cloud of political power." He added, "Solar energy won't just come up like the sun at dawn. What we have so far is the result of activism."

The activism of Hayden's Campaign for "Economic Democracy" is of three major kinds:

- First, the support of laws that promote the redistribution of economic power, such as the national "solar bank" bill which would establish 30-year loans at 3 per cent interest for solar-powered businesses.

- Second, the assistance of political campaigns of those who are willing to work for economic democracy. Hayden himself ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate seat last year which is now held by S.I. Hayakawa. Hayden said his organization "runs four or five campaigns at a time," primarily in districts which are least strongly held by its opponents. "We get them at weak points," he said. "We don't play to their strengths."

- Third, "organizing the unorganized." Hayden said students and teachers are "totally unorganized," calling them "sheep and robots of the status quo."

Responding to a question about the kind of organization he recommends, Hayden said that nonviolent protest alone is inadequate. "Action is also needed," he said. "You can't convert a company making bombs into one making solar cells unless you run it." He recognized nonviolence chiefly as a means of "wearing out" an opponent.

Hayden believes his organization will become a key force in socialist reforms because "it isn't a one-issue organization like the antiwar groups were."

To insure that his organization doesn't falter because of ineffective leadership in the future, Hayden said he has established an Organizer Training Institute. And he said his headquarters in Santa Barbara are used each summer to teach children as young as age seven the "Economic Democracy" principles--"just in case this generation doesn't pan out," he added.

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large underground rooms, located directly beneath the Health and Physical Education Building, Performing Arts Building and the Center Building. Auxiliary power plants are located in these chambers. The smallest of the three is in the space beneath the PE Building and the largest is under the Center Building.

"The generator under the PE Building is mainly used as a booster station," explained Shepherd, talking as he led me through the catacombs. "They use it to supply more power to the physical education section when they need a lot of electricity to have a basketball game or the like. The Performing Arts generator serves the same purpose."

"The big one under the Center Building is mainly an emergency one in case the main power supply fails--the computer is in the Center Building," he adds.

Besides housing the large auxiliary generator the room under the Center Building holds a multitude of other necessary equipment: A hot water booster for the kitchen, for example, brings the hot water from the boiler room (located at ground level on the bottom of the Machine Technology Building) to the proper temperature to meet health specifications for washing dishes. Also in the chamber are the computerized controls for the entire ventilation system of school and the gigantic air vents which service the Food Services Department. Through a side door behind a rack of pipes is a storage room for civil defense supplies.

"Right now, I would guess the replacement value of the entire operation at several million dollars," said Van Orden. "There's a lot of money tied up in this operation."

Hale must spend roughly 20 to 25 hours a week down in the passageways, by himself. He has found a way to alleviate his loneliness.

"I talk to myself," he smiles. "Every six months I have to lubricate the entire exhaust system by myself. It gets monotonous . . . so I talk to myself."

Hales wasn't working at LCC when the flood occurred in 1969, but he said some problems have arisen since he started working in the tunnels.

"We've had a few bomb scares that caused some panic and one time we found evidence of someone taking a crow bar to a metal entry door . . . they were trying to get in for some reason. Other than that we don't have too much trouble down here."

"You know sometimes it gets pretty spooky down there. I've been down there working and have had guys (co-workers) sneak up on me and scare me to death. It doesn't happen very often. Usually I can hear someone coming a long time before they even get near me."

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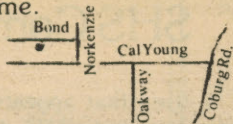
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Former fire fighter says Forest Service wastes money

News Feature by Jack Desmond

"Dispatch, this is Fall Mountain lookout. Fire report."

"Go, ahead, Fall Mountain."

We jumped to our feet at Bear Valley Guard Station. Bill pulled out a pad of paper to copy the location of the fire while I went to the map on the wall to check the location of the smoke.

"Township 15 south, Range 30 east, Section 19, northeast of the northeast, near Luce Creek," replied the lookout.

The smoke was six miles away according to the map.

"Desmond, this is Dispatch."

"Desmond," I answered as I yelled into the mic.

"Head for the fire."

"All right, Desmond clear."

My partner Bill and I ran out to our pumper. With luck, we might beat the helicopter carrying firefighters to the smoke. I jumped in the driver's seat while Bill pulled out the maps. The engine kicked over.

"Hey, Desmond. If you need any help on the fire, call us," shouted out the other pumper foreman as we sped out the driveway.

We crossed the paved highway and I shifted into third gear as the truck roared up the hill.

"Come on, go faster," I muttered to myself as the two-ton truck faltered going up the final hill. Shifting into second, we blasted over the summit.

Swerving by one stump and bouncing over a log, I realized I was driving too fast for the narrow, twisty road. I shifted into fourth gear and redoubled my concentration.

The helicopter reported over the radio that it could see the smoke from 10 miles away. Dispatch went crazy and dispatched every available person and pumper.

I swung hard to the right at the junction of roads 1528 and 1527. The fire should be only another three miles away if we were headed in the right direction.

I swung hard to the left around a sharp bend and nearly lost the truck in a gully, but the truck swept on past the dense, stunted ponderosa forest.

Another road intersection came up.

"Turn right," my partner cried.

"Noway. It's to the left. We want to head in the direction of Ingle Rock." I pulled off to the left at the intersection and braked the truck.

"Look. We want to go on road 20. That's where the fire is."

"I guess you're right." I never had trusted my partner's judgements.

I threw the gear into reverse and gunned the accelerator. The truck lurched back 10 feet and sunk into a ditch.

"Damn," I cried as I swung open the door and saw our dual wheels sunk in the hole and the rear axle resting on the ground.

The helicopter crew overhead called in to Dispatch that they had spotted a car leaving the scene driving at a fast pace.

"We can get out of here," my partner exclaimed as he jumped into the driver's seat. Shifting the gear into low drive, he eased the truck out. I hopped into the passenger's seat.

"Next time, you do the driving while I do the orienteering." I huffed as I hastily arranged the maps on my lap.

Our truck spun on the gravel a few more curves until we spied the helicopter hovering over the thin smoke.

"All right. There really is a fire. We're in the money on this one."

Bill slowed the truck down the last few turns and we pulled off the road at the fire's edge. I glanced at the fire and couldn't see any firefighters from the helicopter. Victory. We had actually beaten the helicopter fire crew to the fire.

I hardly savored the joy as I grabbed the radio and ran out to the fire. The fire was burning hot in several piles of logs. The fire wouldn't be any problem, but it would be

useless to tell Dispatch to cancel all the other troops coming. The Forest Service helicopter in Colorado had predicted high winds for the day and I couldn't stop automatic dispatch cards.

"Dispatch, this is Desmond. We're on the fire. It appears to have been caused by lightning. Desmond clear."

"OK, Dispatch clear."

The fun was over. Now began the drudgery.

My partner slung the water hose over his shoulder and dragged the hose to a pile of burning logs. He flipped the nozzle on and the flames diminished. I ran back to the truck, slipped on a pair of chain saw chaps, and lugged the chain saw back to the fire.

Two of the helicopter crew straggled up to the fire huffing and puffing. They stared at the 40 ft. by 100 ft. fire that was now only creeping through the pine needles and burning a couple of logs.

"Is this all there is," cried one.

Within 45 minutes, everyone else had arrived. Three more helicopter crews, four more pumpers, the helicopter foreman, an assistant fire control officer, the fire control officer, and the chief fire control officer. Nearly half of our forest fire crew was on this fire. Meanwhile, two large DC-6 air tankers and a spotter plane were circling overhead.

Our crew of 17 retreated from the sputtering fire as the spotter plane flew in low to direct the air tankers. The first air

tanker rumbled in, unleashed its red retardant, doused the area to the west of the fire, and headed back to LaGrande. The second air tanker flew in a bit higher, disgorged its load over the fire, and the red retardant drifted over to our crew and sprinkled the green pumpers red.

After taking group pictures, our crew returned to the charred area. The two air drops had done nothing. A few logs were still glowing and we set to work as the sun unceremoniously dropped below the hills.

The crew dug a circle around the fire while the helicopter foreman dropped the twisted, lightning-struck white fir. That tree was worth one hundred dollars to each one of us for having graciously started a fire.

After the white fir was safely on the ground, most of the head honchos left because there was no more excitement to be had from this fire.

Now that the fire had cooled down, we began stacking logs in several large bonfires. By the time we had stoked up four large bonfires, night had risen. The bonfires were burning hotter than the fire ever had and occasionally they would singe needles of a pine tree. The fires cast an eerie red glow and smoke belched into the sky as I imagined pointed tails and horns growing out of the people around me.

The fire boss called us together to brief us on the fire strategy.

"I was just talking with Dispatch on the

radio and they said that high winds are predicted for the night," said our fire boss.

A few of us snickered because the predicted winds hadn't blown all day.

"I'm going to call the fire controlled at 1:00 a.m."

Several firefighters moaned, an expression for a term called "milking a fire." Milking a fire is to sit on the fire as long as humanly possible to earn as much money as possible. By declaring the fire controlled at 1 a.m. we would be able to collect fire hazard pay for two days which amounted to 25 per cent extra. Economics was never left out of fire strategy.

At 1 a.m., our fire boss left with several other firefighters and drove back to the helicopter station to have a good night's sleep.

There wasn't much to do except stoke the bonfires to keep warm, break out the C-rations, and try to sleep before morning came to finish mopping up the fire.

The moon had risen and the light was dancing in the forest outside of our dying bonfires. I stole away from the group to be alone. Away, I felt the omnipresent light from the moon surge through my body. Back and forth the moon and I went.

It was soul-stirringly beautiful and I was making seven dollars an hour.

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Tickets are \$4, with a limited number of \$2 tickets available for students and seniors through a purchase by the City of Eugene, Transient Room Tax Fund. For further information contact the Eugene Opera! office, 485-3985. Roseburg tickets are available at Ricketts Music Store.

The Place in downtown Eugene has scheduled a series of musical events: Friday May 26, "Kalapana" at 9:30 p.m., cover charge \$1.00. Tuesday and Wednesday May 30, 31, "Stone Ground" will play starting at 9:30 p.m. Cover charge is \$2.00. Thursday June 1, "David LaFlamme," cover is \$2.00. Friday June 2, and Saturday June 3, at 8:30 p.m., "Country Joe McDonald." Cover is \$3.75 in advance. Sunday June 4, and Monday June 5, "Mithrandir," no cover. Thursday June 8, "Tom Paxton." Cover \$3.75 in advance. Saturday June 10, "Vassar Clemens," with "Wheatfield." Cover charge is \$4.50 in advance.

Oregon Repertory Theatre will present the world premiere of "My Cup Ranneth Over," by Robert Patrick, as its next Midnight Mafia production. The one-act comedy runs May 26, 27, June 2 and 3, with doors opening at 11:30 p.m. and curtain at midnight. Tickets are \$1.50 at the door.

The EMU Cultural Forum presents **Proctor and Bergman formerly of the Firesign Theater** on Friday, May 26th at 8:00 p.m. in the EMU Ballroom. Tickets are \$2.50 and are available only at the door.

The EMU Cultural Forum proudly presents **Jimmy Buffett** in concert on Tuesday, June 6, 1978 at 8:00 p.m. in McArthur Court. Tickets are \$5.50, \$5.00, and \$4.00 for University of Oregon students, and \$7.00, \$6.00, and \$5.00 for the General Public. Tickets are available at the EMU Main Desk, The Sun Shop, and Everybody's Records in Eugene and Corvallis.

Many neighbors are willing to share their garden space with others. The Eugene Parks and Recreation Department and the **Community Energy Bank** have compiled lists of people needing individuals to share garden plots and energy. If you are looking for a space to plant in or have extra garden space please contact Lynn at 687-5303 or Cindy at 485-8133.

There's lots of music for you at **Saturday Market** this coming Saturday, May 27. Warren Winwood will be performing original guitar and harmonica music at 1:00 p.m., and Lyndia will be sweetly singing at 2:30. Of course, there will also be the same delicious fresh food and fine handcrafts always found at Saturday Market. That's at 8th & Oak downtown.

Film recreates hopeless feelings

Film review by Janice Brown

Caskets covered in American flags pass by on a conveyer belt. Wounded men wrapped from head to toe in gauze and casts are helped off an airplane.

One man dressed in an officer's uniform limps along with the aid of a cane: His face is thin and gaunt, his eyes are vacant except for a disturbing glint that is glazed over them.

The officer, the wounded men, and the caskets are returning from Vietnam.

"Coming Home," currently playing at Cinema World, is a film that anyone who still views war as an alternative should see.

The officer with the cane is named Bob and he is played with agonizing conviction by Bruce Dern. Dern should win an Oscar for this role.

Officer Bob is not the main character. The film centers around John Voight who plays Luke, a victim of the war in Vietnam, who is paralyzed from the waist down.

Luke represents the forgotten remains of the Vietnam war. Voight's Luke is heroic, not because of his valiant actions in Vietnam, but because he overcomes his own self-pity. And because he has learned to "live with" the atrocities he saw and the ones he committed in Vietnam.

Voight's Luke is full of light, energy, compassion and strength. The viewing audience loves Luke, and so does Officer Bob's wife, Sally.

Jane Fonda plays Sally, a woman who grows from an ignorant hawk at the beginning of the film into a loving dove. Fonda's transition is so natural and flowing that it is hard to believe that only an hour or so passes in film, instead of a year or so in Sally's life.

Sally meets Luke in a Veteran's hospital where she volunteers as a nurse's aide while

her husband Bob is in Vietnam. The hospital is understaffed which distresses Sally, so she speaks to a group of women (officers' wives) hoping to get an article in the ladies' newspaper about the situation at the hospital. The women don't want to hear about the problem, though. They would rather print articles about fun and games. Sally returns to the hospital and tells the wounded Vets that the women think little if anything about the wounded men. "To them" she says, "You're just a bunch of discarded peanut shells."

Fonda's, Dern's and Voight's portrayals are all superb. Voight's Luke is a particularly memorable character: Like someone from the past whom I knew and loved and forgot about until I saw him sitting there in his wheelchair on the screen.

Dern's role is more difficult to portray than Voight's. Bob is not likeable. He is a hawk that can't wait to get to Vietnam. But when he returns he is a broken, disturbed and disillusioned human being who blames everything and everyone, but his own ignorance, for his plight. Bob's dialogue is scattered and broken--like he is. Dern relies on body movements and his face reflects a deep inner struggle.

The subject matter in this film is touchy. The memory of the war is still vivid. It is only a film, yet it is difficult to be totally objective about a matter so important. I think the film is excellent. All the elements--direction, screenplay, cinematography, editing and performance--are near perfect. The film is accompanied by a sound track made up of some of the most popular and meaningful recordings of the 1960's, which return to haunt and recreate the emotional hopelessness of the era and the imbecilic war of Vietnam.

Mime Circus presents 'Pyramus and Thisby'

by Michael Tenn

LCC students who see a clown juggling

while riding a unicycle in front of the Performing Arts Building at 11 a.m. on Friday can be sure that they've caught the opening of The New Mime Circus production of "Pyramus and Thisby."

A play within a play, "Pyramus and Thisby" is a part of Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," Shakespeare's parody on bad acting.

The New Mime Circus will portray a group of would-be actors who bungle a tragedy and turn it into a comedy.

The show will be just as "... delightful for children" as it will be for adults, according to Karen Landsdowne, LCC Language Arts instructor, who teaches Shakespeare classes.

In case of rain, the production will move indoors to room 301 of the Forum Building. There is no charge for the show which is sponsored by the Student Activities Cultural Fund.

Students and faculty do 'far-out and nutty things'

by Michael Tenn

Touted as "The 1978 Dance Event" by the Performing Arts Department, "Triple Play" will showcase the dance, music, and design talent of LCC students Friday and Saturday nights, May 26 and 27.

Faculty members as well as students will be performing "far-out and nutty things," according to Dave Sherman, a stagecraft instructor and one of the show's coordinators.

The show centers around "Facade," described by Sherman as "a complex arrangement of words and rhythm patterns set to music." It was originally written in 1922 by poets Dame Edith Sitwell and Sir William Walton. Four readers will be accompanied by a seven piece baroque orchestra. The orchestra will be composed of staff members and faculty from the Performing Arts Department.

"Facade" will be preceded by a selection of classical arrangements played by flutist Robin Russell and guitarist John Jarvie, who is well known locally for his professional guitar concerts and has taught at LCC and at the U of O for many years. A string quartet will also play.

The show will close with jazz dancing, choreographed by dance instructors Nicola Foster and Mary Curry. The dancers will share the stage with a jazz ensemble directed by Bart Bartholomew.

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LCC instructor given award at SHS dedication

by Colleen Donahue

For her volunteer nutrition counseling to LCC students this year, instructor Carol Easton was awarded a special plaque on May 12 from the LCC Student Health Service (SHS).

SHS Director Laura Oswalt awarded Easton the plaque at the dedication ceremony held for the new SHS facilities adjacent to the snack bar. She informed the audience that Easton had held 66 private conferences during the year with students on nutrition.

Although Easton will not be returning to LCC next fall, she would still like to see the program continue. However, since it is all volunteer work, it will be strictly up to her successor or other trained LCC nutritionalists.

"I enjoy doing it because it puts me in contact with more people than I see in my nutrition classes," says Easton.

Some people have come to her for planning vegetarian meals, and still others have asked for her help in dealing with allergies. Some have even wanted to gain weight.



Carol Easton

Photo by Jeff Patterson

But the students she counsels most are referred to her from the SHS physicians and nurses, because students want to need to lose weight, she said.

Before advising students about a diet, Easton asks them to keep a record for seven days of the foods they regularly eat. "This gives me an idea of their calorie in-take, the problem foods they may be eating, particular lifestyle, and amount of nutrients in their foods."

From there, she gives the student a diet to follow, selecting foods from the milk, meat, vegetable, and fruit groups, and breads and cereals.

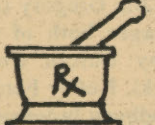
Women are usually advised to stay on a 1,200 calorie diet and the men on a 1,500 calorie diet. "This allows plenty of food and nutrients, so you don't get fatigued. Weight loss on this type of plan is usually one or two pounds a week," says Easton.

She generally tells students if they want to lose weight, they are going to have to change eating habits. Students on a weight reduction plan weigh in once a week and keep a chart of their weight loss.

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Holistic medicine promotes natural healing

by Dr. Staywell and Staff of the Student Health Service

The price tag for medical treatment was \$180 billion last year. Yet how healthy are we?

- 60 million Americans are overweight
- 50 million people smoke
- 20 million people have mental or emotional disorders
- 10 million people are alcoholics
- 10 million get a form of venereal disease every year
- 4 million people have diabetes

Is there a relationship between the cost and extent of health care and the inadequate health of so many Americans? Certainly prohibitive cost is a major factor in the inability of the poor to afford treatment and get the health care they need.

But it may also be that the extent of services available mitigates against more self-treatment by the 170 million who can afford it but don't seem to benefit much from it.

In his book, "Medical Nemesis," Ivan Illich writes that, "The true miracle of modern medicine is diabolical. It consists not only of making individuals but whole populations survive on inhumanly low levels of personal health. That health should decline with increasing health service delivery is unforeseen only by the health managers, precisely because their strategies are the result of blindness to the inalienability of life."

In short, many of us have come to rely on doctors and hospitals to bail us out of personal health responsibility. We would rather "booze it up, smoke, be fat and lie around," to quote one health critic, than take care of ourselves the way we would have to if our "Medical Mama" weren't there to promise to make it all better.

A few people, however, have sensed the inadequacies of the present medical set-up and have begun to create alternatives. The holistic health movement is comprised of individuals and health practitioners who are dedicated to creating the environment and the tools for optimum self-care.

The following are several of the principles of the movement:

- Doctors and drugs do not cure; people cure themselves. In many cases, doctors and drugs can actually interfere with the natural healing process.
- An individual's expectation and beliefs influence the choice and success of healing methods as much as or more than the methods themselves.
- Technology and science are not necessarily improvements over historically effective natural healing and other medical practices.
- Holistic health practitioners, in general, do not diagnose, treat or prescribe; they educate in a setting that minimizes the patient/physician role.

Many of the holistic approaches to health are not new. Fasting, according to one source, is the oldest form of healing, practiced instinctively by animals before man. Yoga is an ancient Hindu philosophy and science. Homeopathy was developed in the early 19th century, about the time the medical "establishment" was practicing bloodletting and leaching.

This article is not intended to debate the efficacy of one healing method over another or compare them with traditional medical

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methods. But the following are some examples of various forms of holistic healing. (Please refer to the article on "Body Therapies" in last week's TORCH for others.)

COLOR THERAPY

Light and color are parts of the electro-magnetic spectrum, and what we see comprises much of our knowledge of the world. Color--the energy waves absorbed and reflected back to us from objects--has certain psychological and physiological effects. For example, the color yellow may make us thoughtful and blue may make us calm. Color therapy is oriented to creating healthful color combinations in our personal environment, according to Mary Anderson, author of "Color Healing."

FASTING

Fasting predates all forms of medical treatment, for people have always instinctively stopped eating when they felt ill. Fasting for periods of time is a method of cleansing the body of accumulated wastes, build up physical stamina and resistance to disease, and rejuvenate the functions of different organs. In the "Miracle of Fasting," Paul Bragg writes that fasting has also been used in dieting, but can be dangerous if undertaken haphazardly or without medical supervision.

HOMEOPATHY

A system of therapy in which minute doses of natural herbs and minerals, many of which are poisonous in large amounts, are prescribed on a "like cures like" basis. For example, a person with a sore throat might receive a substance which in larger doses would cause a sore throat, says William Boericke, author of "A Compendium of the Principles of Homeopathy."

HERBOLOGY

Juliette Levy, in her book "Common Herbs for Natural Health," tells us that primitive people everywhere discovered that certain roots, plants, barks and seeds possessed medicinal properties. Until recently, herbal fold medicine was disdained by science, but chemists are finding that folk medicines contain certain properties only drug compounds were thought to have.

Herbs have many different actions, including astringent, cathartic, diuretic and alternative effects.

IRIDODOLOGY

Iridology or irisdiagnosis is the science of diagnosing physical illness from the marks and color changes in the iris of the eye. Iridologists consult specific sections of the iris that are believed to correspond to different organs of the body. Iridologists can often tell if an organ is functioning properly, whether a person is under strain, and the health of the blood, nerves and skin. Bernard Jensen's book "The Science and Practice of Iridology" is a good source of information on this topic.

NATURAL FOODS

Foods which have been grown without chemical fertilizers or pesticides and which are eaten in as close to their natural state as possible constitutes the diet of holistic health seekers. Most are vegetarians who stress a diet of grains, nuts, seeds and legumes, and often fresh fruits and vegetables. Some natural-food-advocates supplement their diets with vitamins and minerals. "Eating for Life" by Nathaniel Altman is a good reference book on this topic.

TAI CHI CHUAN

This is a form of meditation which emphasizes slow movement, relaxation, and calmness of mind. Movements in Tai Chi have been described as basically slow, continuous, light, gentle, circular, rhythmic, energetic and graceful. Tai Chi practitioners say it is beneficial in improving one's energy. "Tai Chi," by Cheng Man-Ching and Robert W. Smith is a good reference here.

YOGA

A group of physical and mental disciplines of ancient Hindu origin, it is based on the idea that our body is enlivened by positive and negative currents, and when these currents are balanced our health is perfect. There are a number of yoga postures, breathing exercises and cleansing practices which can accomplish this which are described in the book "Yoga Self-Taught" by Andre Von Lysebeth.

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A better society through socialism

by Sally Oljar

• A woman with three children is married to a man who beats her. She wants to leave her husband, but having no marketable job skills, she wonders how she will support herself and the kids.

• A lesbian woman employed in a state mental hospital lives in fear that her employer will discover her sexual orientation and fire her.

• A young black boy, caught shoplifting, unsuccessfully attempts suicide. When he is prevented from it he yells at his captors in desperation, "Can you get me a job?"

Can these situations be accurately described as "individual problems?" Not entirely, says New American Movement (NAM) representative Judy MacLean. These individuals and others are "oppressed" by society's institutions, she says.

"These individual instances are examples of the capitalist system failing," MacLean told an audience of 60 students and staff members last May 16 at a lecture jointly sponsored by the Women's Awareness Center and the Social Science Department.

She told the group that capitalism as an economic and social structure reinforces the philosophy of individualism. And in so doing, it promotes what MacLean called "fragmentation" among people. "We lead little, separate lives . . . competing against each other for jobs and in school . . . TV keeps us alone in our homes," she said.

MacLean believes that "fragmentation" among individuals is one of the largest hurdles to jump in the quest for "American socialism." The key, she says, to a better society is in collective social and political action. Thus, the "personal problems" of the battered wife, the lesbian social worker and the young black boy become "shared experience." "Personal issues should be

brought under the socialist struggle," she believes.

"The women's movement and the gay rights movement are pointing the way on personal issues by bringing people together and struggling . . . through struggling we learn our power," she continued.

As a representative of NAM, MacLean described a "vision of a socialist, feminist, democratic society" to her listeners. She began by pointing out that the "latest wave" of socialism has emerged from the political and civil rights movements of the 1960's, although socialism, as a political philosophy, has been in the United States since the early



Judy MacLean
Photo by Christie Davis

1900's. The NAM brand of socialist doctrine is "really for getting rid of inequalities in work and in minority groups."

Her vision of a "socialist society" calls for taking "resources" out of private hands: "Stop using resources to make money, (instead) use resources to meet human needs." The government, business, and schools should be operated and administered by a method of collective decision-making among the people working in the organization.

Feminist ideals fit so well with socialist philosophy, she claimed, that "either one without the other heads for big trouble." Both socialism and feminism stress equality in work, exchanges of traditional male/female career roles, and in more "socialized" child care. Both movements are calling for an end to the male "power dynamic" in this society, she said.

Democracy will best survive under socialism, she claimed, because it will "extend constitutional freedoms and make them real." Jobs will become "radically

democratized" if bosses are elected instead of appointed.

"When you look at America today, there is nothing in the way of the vision I've described. (America) has material security, democratic traditions, and is not a police state," she said.

Firefighters

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Epilogue

Last year, the Forest Service spent \$31,000,000 for fire management activities in Oregon and Washington alone. The fire described cost over \$5,500 to suppress, mainly because of two retardant drops that cost \$2,000 each.

Again, last year, Oregon and Washington suffered 1,726 fires in a one month period from July 23 to August 23. Of that total, only 12 were larger than 10 acres.

There are many FS people who would claim that these fires were suppressed because of quick FS action. However, that is only partially true. The overwhelming percentage of fires in Oregon are caused by lightning, and lightning fires have low potential and do not burn readily. For the past seven years, an average of only 8,900 acres have burned each season, yet the Forest Service manages 25,000,000 acres in Oregon and Washington.

Unfortunately, many people seem to think that fires are the manifestation of Beelzebub on this planet and must be suppressed at all costs.

So far, it has been at all costs.

The Blue Mountains of Northeastern Oregon are slowly withering away, partly because fire no longer sanitizes the mountains. The ponderosa pines sprout up in thick patches and choke each other out in their scramble for nutrients. One million acres of lodgepole pine are dying because of the mountain beetle kill. The native grasses struggle each year against the onslaught of sagebrush and tumbleweed.

Meanwhile, the Forest Service continues to expend money. A 1,000 acre fire on Pine Mountain east of Bend cost \$308,000 to suppress. A 70-acre fire northeast of John Day cost \$82,000.

Each year, trees are cut down to be processed into paper. Some of the paper is sent to Washington, D.C. where dollar signs are printed on the paper. The printed paper is sent back to Oregon. We take the money and spend it to suppress fires.

Journalism conference slated

About 40 high school and community college journalism students will meet at LCC Friday, May 26, to share information and discoveries about their publications and to take part in discussions about reporting ethics.

Reporting on police arrests, and reporting on women and minorities are two of the agenda items for the "Journalism Exchange," sponsored by the LCC Mass

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BRING streamlines services and posts a 29 per cent increase

by Robert Anders

The new BRING manager, Ken Sandusky says he and 10 publically paid employees hired last September, have streamlined BRING's recycling of paper, glass and metals to show a 29 per cent increase for the same quarter last year.

BRING (Begin Recycling In Neighborhood Groups) located on Franklin Boulevard near Seavey Loop one mile from LCC, recycled 759 tons of material last year. The Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) employees, working under the direction of Sandusky, have constructed a fence around the warehouse, built a glass crushing shed, sorting bins, and office space as part of the reorganizing and renovating of the facility to increase production which, according to Sandusky, should exceed last year's figure.

Elise Fischer, a former BRING employee, initiated a number of programs in an effort to increase the materials reaching the facility; since last year 20 recycling education presentations, for example, reached more than 1,000 Lane County residents.

To promote its objectives BRING also publishes a newsletter, teaches the Recycling and Resource Recovery Class at the University of Oregon, and presents recycling information on radio, television and in the newspapers.

According to BRING's Board of Directors, made up of seven local residents, the facility is exploring new types of recycling projects which could have a significant impact on Lane County's future. For example, an expanded glass container reuse system would provide inexpensive containers to the public, and would be environmentally more practical than traditional recycling.

In pursuit of alternative sources of funding, the Board is exploring the field of grants and tax status. "The problem we face with recycled material is transportation and demand," says Sandusky. "The glass, for instance, must be taken to Owens-Illinois in Portland for purchase."

Sandusky feels recycling preserves natural resources and saves manufacturing time; he also believes the educational aspects of BRING's operation is a key to changing peoples' attitudes and creating greater public involvement.

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Communication Department and the TORCH. The day-long session will begin with coffee and breakfast rolls at 8:30 in the Board of Education Room of the Administration Building, and is open to LCC students, personnel, and guests. No fee is charged.

After discussions by area high school newspaper staff members from 9 to 10 a.m., Jim Dunne, head of the Mass Communication Department and instructor of the Media and the Law class, will discuss bench-bar-press agreements and also court rulings on reporting trials, arrests, and legal proceedings. Dunne taught media law at Washington State University for 11 years before coming to LCC.

Another communication instructor, Dr. Dan Rothwell, will speak from 11:15 to noon on avoiding distortion and stereotyping when reporting on women and minorities. Rothwell teaches interpersonal, and small group communication theory.

Five former LCC students who now work as professional journalists in Oregon will give advice during the 2 p.m. panel discussion, "How to Get Your First Journalism Job, And Keep It." Rick Bella and Jim Gregory (reporter and circulation manager both of the Springfield News), Kathy Durbin (reporter for Willamette Week), Kelley Fenley (sports editor of the Woodburn Independent), and Jim Worlein (sports editor of the Ontario Observer) will return to campus to share anecdotes.

Keeran, Martin, Breen earn All-American track honors

by John Healy

Charlie Keeran, Ken Martin and Brad Breen gained All-American honors and the men's track team finished tied for thirteenth at the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association (NJCAA) track and field championships last week in Champaign, Illinois.

Keeran finished third in the discus,



Ken Martin was the first American to cross the finish line in the 10,000 meters at the NJCAA championships last week. Photo by Rob Stanley.

Martin fourth in the 10,000 meters and Breen second in the javelin to give the Titans 18 points and a tie for thirteenth with Southern Idaho and Seminole (Fla). Essex Community College (N.J.) ran away with the meet title, scoring 60 points to runnerup Central Arizona's 42 points.

Martin stayed with the leaders for the first five miles of the 10,000 (equivalent to 6.2 miles) last Friday, but fell behind when the leaders began forcing the pace, according to Al Tarpenning, men's track coach.

"Ken ran a good race--he was the first American across," said Tarpenning. "That was one of the best 10,000 I have seen in quite awhile."

Keeran finished sixth in last years discus final, but improved to third this year with a throw of 163-2. "He really looked good on his entire series of throws," recalled Tarpenning. "All his throws were over 155-0...he's never had a series like that."

Breen, nagged by an injured ankle most of the season, put it all together at the national meet, uncorking a throw of 220-9 for a second in the javelin behind Region 18 foe Jari Keihas of Ricks.

"We knew the throw was their eventually," explained Tarpenning. "He's been hampered with that sore ankle since spring vacation."

Breen threw over 235-0 in practice just before the national meet, said Tarpenning, and "we knew he was about ready."

"The day he threw was very windy. The throw he got in was about 221. I tell you, if it hadn't been windy it would have gone 240-0."

Three more Titans qualified for the finals in their respective events but failed to score. Bruce Rolph finished ninth in the shotput, Dave Magness took ninth in the 5000 meters and Rob Stanley also finished ninth in the steeplechase.

"Dave ran a real good preliminary race, but the day of the final in the 5000 was very windy and it really hampered him," stated Tarpenning.

Stanley ran into the same problem--the wind--in the steeplechase. "Even the pointgetters ran several seconds slower than their bests... it probably hurt us more than anything."

Chuck Casin-Cross made it to the semifinals of the 100 meters but cramped up with ten yards to go and couldn't qualify for the final, according to Tarpenning.

Jodell Bailey finished sixth in his 400 meters semi and Lynn Mayo finished fifth in his 800 meter semi as both weren't able to qualify for the final in their event.



Lynn Mayo couldn't quite reach the finals of the 800 meters in the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Assn. [NJCAA] track and field championships last week in Champaign, Illinois. The freshman from Eagle Point will be back next year, however, for another shot at the nationals. Photo by Rob Stanley.

Women drop all six matches at NCWSA tennis tournament

by Steve Myers

The women's tennis team lost all six matches they played in the Northwest Collegiate Women's Sports Association (NCWSA) tourney held May 18-19 in Bellevue, Washington.

Cheryl Shrum lost her first round in the first singles division to second seeded Diane Hale of Green River College, 1-6, 5-7. Schrum then lost in the consolation round to Kim Kiser of Columbia Basin College 3-6, 2-6.

In the second singles competition Gail Rodgers lost her first round to first seeded Mary Tang of Bellevue College, 4-6, 1-6. Rodgers lost in the consolation round to Chris Carter of Seattle Central College, 3-6, 2-6.

Peggy Gangle and Carol Campbell lost in

the first round of second doubles competition to Debbie Brand and Elma Garcia of Yakima College 0-6, 1-6. Brand and Garcia went on to win the second doubles event. Campbell and Gangle went on to lose in the consolation round to Lynette Brown and Rhonda Adair of Highline College 0-6, 0-6.

According to coach Don Wilson this community college tennis tournament involved the northern league competing against the southern league. Lane is in the southern league and had to face for the first time tennis players from such metropolitan areas as Portland and Seattle where tennis competition is more intense.

"In the face of such competition the LCC women's tennis team did very well," commented Wilson. "They definitely did not luck out in the draw of who they had to play against."

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Sporting the latest in jogging suits are Janet Dietz [left], wearing an orange outfit with apricot stripes, \$41.50 at the Athletic Department; Mick Balius wearing a rust suit with beige and green stripes, \$44.95 at the Athletic Department; and Janet Boutelle wearing Adidas powder blue french cut suit with navy side stripes, \$69.95 at Luby's. Photo by Daniel Van Rossen.

by John Healy

Eugene, Oregon: Running Capital of The World.

Conservative estimates put the number of "serious" runners and joggers in Eugene at 10,000. Many neighborhoods now resemble the Los Angeles freeway with runners and joggers of every shape and size whizzing about in their quests for physical fitness.

The end result of the latest American fad--the jogging boom--in overcrowded jogging paths and neighborhood sidewalks.

Eugeneans, however, live in a city a cut above most of the rest of American when it comes to jogging trails. From an

extensive network of bicycle paths to Pre's Trail to scores of quiet neighborhood streets, Eugene goes first class.

Probably the most widely known running area in Eugene is Pre's Trail, a five mile series of looping sawdust jogging paths along the Willamette River in the vicinity of Autzen Stadium.

Developed in the early '70's and named for former standout Oregon distance runner Steve Prefontaine, Pre's Trail begins next to Autzen Stadium, where you are greeted by a large map outlining the entire Pre's Trail circuit.

The small loop measures 1.6 kilometers, equivalent to a mile, and connects to Alton Baker Park if you get the urge to run on some grass. The large

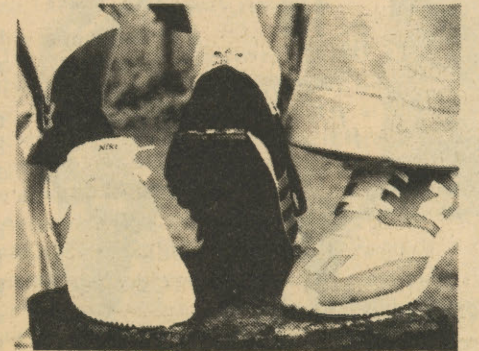
loop is not quite three miles (4.8 kilometers) and parallels the Willamette much of the way.

The trail surface is a combination of sawdust and small wood chips, measures roughly ten feet in width and has well marked trail signs. There is even a "par course" for those interested in doing some stretching exercises during a run.

An even more extensive system of bike paths can be found along both banks of the Willamette. A wide ribbon of asphalt meant only for bikers and runners extends from Springfield to Valley River Center on the north bank of the river, and from a point across from the University of Oregon to the new footbridge near VRC on the south bank.

The new footbridge that spans the Willamette near VRC is a welcome addition to joggers, as it allows one to utilize the bike path on both sides of the river without having to retrace your

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Good shoes are essential to either the casual or competitive runner. At left, Nikes "Lady Road Runner" features powder blue nylon tops, accented by royal blue stripes, available at the Athletic Department, \$24.95. Adidas "Formula 1" shoe, in black suede with yellow stripes, features a square heel, available at Luby's, \$39.95. Blue and white suede styling is featured on this shoe by New Balance, available at Luby's, \$29.95. Photo by Daniel Van Rossen.

Kids' Activities

by Sarah Jenkins

If your kids are bored with hanging around the house this month and next

A child's summer need not be dull

waiting for the summer recreation programs to begin, read on.

There are some special activities in the Eugene Parks and Recreation Department's Spring Program that may be just what you need.

Most of the programs require pre-registration, so call the sponsoring community center or the Parks office for information.

- *The Hardy Bunch*, a continuing activity time designed for (but not limited to) handicapped children under 12 is scheduled for June 2 and June 16. There is no fee and drop-ins are welcome from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Westmoreland Community Center. The Center is located at 1546 W. 22nd; the phone is 687-5316.

- June 10 is the date of a special film presentation at Whitaker Elementary School. "The Magic World of Topo Gigio" will be shown at 10 a.m. Admission is 25 cents.

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by John Healy

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Admittedly, that description sounds like an advertisement in the "Travel" section of Sunset, which bills itself the "magazine of better western living."

But Windgate Farms, a stable northwest of Junction City where the novice or expert rider can rent a horse for four dollars per hour and not be shepherded by a "trail guide," fits that description.

If you want to "live better" this summer, consider putting Windgate Farms on your agenda.

"We're the only business in the (Eugene) area that lets you go out without a guide," explains Ron Norbert, an employee of Windgate Farms.

Amble through a vast, emerald green meadow. Up into the hills swathed in a mantle of dark green pines and stately oaks. Left, down a rutted dirt path bordered by thickets of wildly entangled underbrush.

Windgate Farms, owned by John Reavis, has a stable of 15 horses suited to each level of riding skill, according to Norbert.

"They (the horses) vary from being very gentle to horses that take a fairly experienced rider. A problem we have is people who ask for a horse that's more than they can control," he says.

"They think that by asking for something faster they're going to get something more manageable—that's not always true," he explains.

Turn right, into a modern day "Sherwood Forest." The sunlight fades as you go deeper into its depths. Closely spaced pines, the heavy branches bent low. Musty smell of pine needles. Heavy, rich odor of dark earth.

The stable is generally busiest during late spring, summer, and early fall, says Norbert.

"We're right in the middle of the Eugene area, with the U of O, and Corvallis, with Oregon State. It seems like we get a lot of business during finals week," says Norbert.

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• Also on June 10, there will be a picnic and scavenger hunt sponsored by Sheldon Meadows Community Center, 2455 Willakenzie Rd., and Westmoreland Community Center. Pick-up times for participants is 10 a.m. at Sheldon Meadows and 10:30 a.m. at Westmoreland. The fee of \$3.50 includes insurance.

• June 21 will be "Bike and Canoe Day" at Sheldon Meadows. The participants will ride bikes from the Center to Alton Baker Park, where they will learn canoeing strokes and safety in the Park canoe way. The fee for all day is \$2.00 and kids should bring a sack lunch.

The Parks and Recreation Department will begin its Summer Program in June with many more classes and day-trips for kids. Anyone interested can receive a schedule of events by mail by calling the office at 687-5353.

• Also of interest to kids in grades one through eight is the Springfield Library's annual "Summer Reading Program." This year's theme is "Under the Big Top," according to Children's Librarian Marylou Belknap. Sign-up for the program will begin June 5.

To receive a Summer Reader's Certificate both from the library and the state of Oregon, children must read 10 books before August 12. They will also be eligible for prize drawings and special "Summer Readers" book bags.

Parties for interested kids, featuring clown and magic shows by Jerry and Janice Doty, will be held Tuesday, June 13, for first and second graders; Wednesday, June 14, for third and fourth graders; and Thursday, June 15, for fifth through eighth graders. All three parties will be from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the library's Junior Department.

For more information, call Marylou Belknap at 726-3765.

"I guess people are trying to forget their finals," he adds with a laugh. Horses are on the trail from 8 a.m. to dusk, each usually putting in a six to eight hour day.

"We find people ride an average between one and two hours," states Norbert. "If a rider doesn't stay out a full hour, we pro rate the fee and charge one dollar for every 15 minutes."

Downhill, to the moss covered banks of a soft stream winding its way down into the Willamette Valley. Fresh, clean smell—untainted water. Across the brook and up towards the crest of the next hill. More pines. Always the sun, beating down, warming, drying out water-logged bodies.

Windgate Farms has "grown a lot" in the last few years, according to Norbert. "Financially, we are much better off than a number of years ago."

But the "boom-period" that the business is currently enjoying has its drawbacks.

"It used to be on a busy day we would have three groups. Now on a very busy day we have close to 100 riders."

"When it was a lot smaller I think it was more personal," reflects Norbert.

Still, the scenery more than makes up for any problems one encounters in renting a horse.

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Saturday Market

Venders brave rain, cold and lack of crowds

by Janice Brown

Nine months out of the year many Eugeniens-cooks and crafts people--spend their Saturdays at the same place. It's becoming a tradition for many to devote their weekends to an atmosphere that smells like falafels, sopapillas, calzoni, egg rolls, cheesecake, museli, and quesadillas.

Rain or shine the venders at the Saturday Market appear to sell their handmade wares and serve their exotic cuisine. Out of the past four Saturdays, only one was dry, yet the venders were there cheerfully displaying their goods.

It isn't necessary to buy something to have a good time. But the craftspeople do offer a variety of wares: Candles, leather goods, jewelry, tapestries, pottery, stained glass, mounted photographs, wind chimes made of sea shells, and original water colors are just a few of the items for sale at the market.

Not all venders find it easy to grin and bare the rain though: Katie of Bubala's Blintzes doesn't care much for the foul weather. A Californian who has been in Eugene for only three months, Katie hasn't "gotten used to the weather yet."

"I heard it rained in Eugene, but I



Lenny Nathan, proprietor of "Gourmet Cheesecake," ignores the rain to serve his customers at Saturday Market. Photo by Jan Brown.

didn't think that meant all the time," she said as she served up a scrumptious strawberry blintz. She looks forward to the warmer months and is willing to rough the weather until then. Her booth is constructed imaginatively as are most of the booths at the market. Katie stays dry once the booth is set up, a task taking her about 40 minutes, but she says if it's raining she gets "soaked" in that time.

To other venders just the setting up of a booth becomes a monumental task. At the Pizza Co. booth, owner and operator Bonnie, prepares her pizza on an old wood-burning iron stove complete with oven. Bonnie and her assistant Jan load and unload the 500 pound pig iron stove every Saturday...by themselves. "Oh, we just get it onto a loading ramp and put it on a flat bed truck," says Bonnie.

Bonnie and Jan have been doing this every Saturday at the Market for the past four years. It is just something they do. They are used to it. And it doesn't seem out of the ordinary to them.

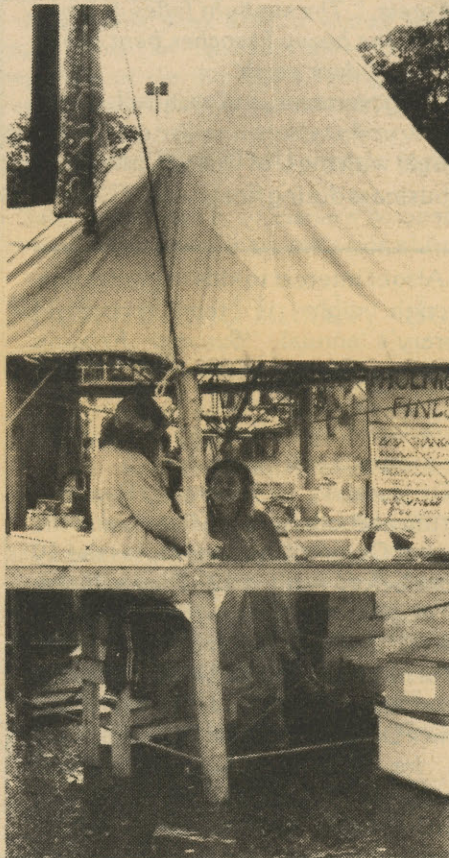
"In the beginning there were a lot of people around to help us when the market closed. But pretty soon when it came time to load the stove, everyone disappeared," Bonnie smiled.

Another booth that serves Mid Eastern cuisine (including an egg plant dish called "Ba Ba ghanoush") has an unusual booth construction: The owner, an architect, created the booth out of long bamboo poles and canvas.

Not all the venders have booths though, some craftspeople spread blankets on the asphalt and display their wares (except on rainy days).

The sunny days are definitely the

better days for the market. Throngs of customers appear, and so do jazz musicians, blues musicians, jugglers, clowns, mime artists and even one gent who plays music on a saw to the awesome pleasure of the many children always present.



Quickly constructed booths set up in a parking lot each Saturday in May through December is the essence of Saturday Market at Eighth and Oak Streets. Photo by Jan Brown.

Join a group 'safari' to learn more about Oregon

"Summer Safari," a series of ten weekend tours to points of historic and geologic interest in Oregon, will be offered this summer by the LCC Community Education Division.

The guided tours, which carry no college credit, will offer families an opportunity to experience informal, first-hand introductions to the history, geology and biology of selected sites in the state. Some of the locations were selected from the itinerary of the book, "Just Down The Road," a chronicle of travels in Oregon by Ione Reed. Tour guides are graduate biologists with extensive experience in their specific areas.

The outings will explore areas of central and eastern Oregon, the Cascade and Siskiyou Mountains, the Oregon coastline and points of interest in the Willamette Valley. Travel to all destinations will be by air-conditioned Trailways buses.

The excursions begin Saturday, June 24, and will be held every consecutive Saturday through August. Two outings, on July 22 and 23, and on August 26 and 27, are scheduled two-day tours.

An August 12 tour will take visitors to Sumpter and Granite, two eastern Oregon ghost towns that are enjoying a modern rebirth, and will explore nearby mining operations and visit one of the largest gold dredges in the world.

A July 29 excursion to the coast will feature exploration of coastal intertidal zones and tide pools, and visits to Cape Perpetua and Newport, where participants will tour the Oregon State University Marine Biology Center, the Undersea Gardens and the wax museum.

"The Great Mountain Lakes of Oregon," scheduled for July 22 and 23, is a 300-mile round trip exploring Crater, Diamond, Waldo and Odell Lakes.

Other destinations in the program include the Strawberry Mountain Wilderness Area, the smaller towns of northern coastline, the meadows and mines surrounding Cottage Grove, the remains of the lumber towns of Wendling and Mable, and the hidden valleys and madrone-laden hills along the Umpqua River.

Persons wishing to participate must preregister by June 14. Tuition for the 10 weeks is \$127, plus \$15 per trip travel fee. The cost does not include incidental expenses.

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Train Rides

by Wes Heath

People who don't like steam trains are about as scarce as hobos with stock portfolios. Plenty of folks could take them or leave them, of course. But nobody--positively nobody--hates the steam locomotive.

That probably accounts for the

growing popularity of Oregon, Pacific and Eastern's steam train excursions every summer weekend from the Village Green in Cottage Grove.

For old-timers, the three-hour, 37-mile train trip is a fond reminder of the days when steam was king. For younger enthusiasts, the steam engine called "Old Slow 'n' Easy," or Number 19, simply conjours up pleasant memories of the steam locomotives that wheezed and whisted their way through

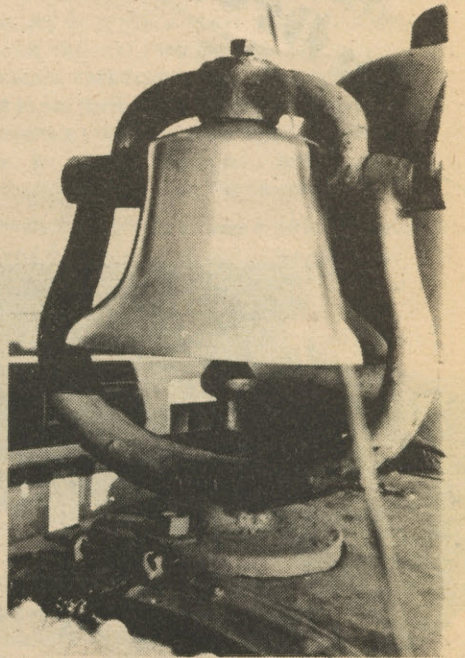
childhood story books.

Since her inaugural run in 1972, the 64-year-old Mikado steam engine and her ten-car entourage known as the "Goose" have carried thousands of passengers on a sleepy trip into yesteryear. Geographically speaking, that takes you up the Row River, through the Calapooya foothills, along Dorena Lake to Culp Creek and back again, and for a modest fare (considering that this is the only steam locomotive train trip in Oregon): \$4.90 per adults, \$1.95 for children.

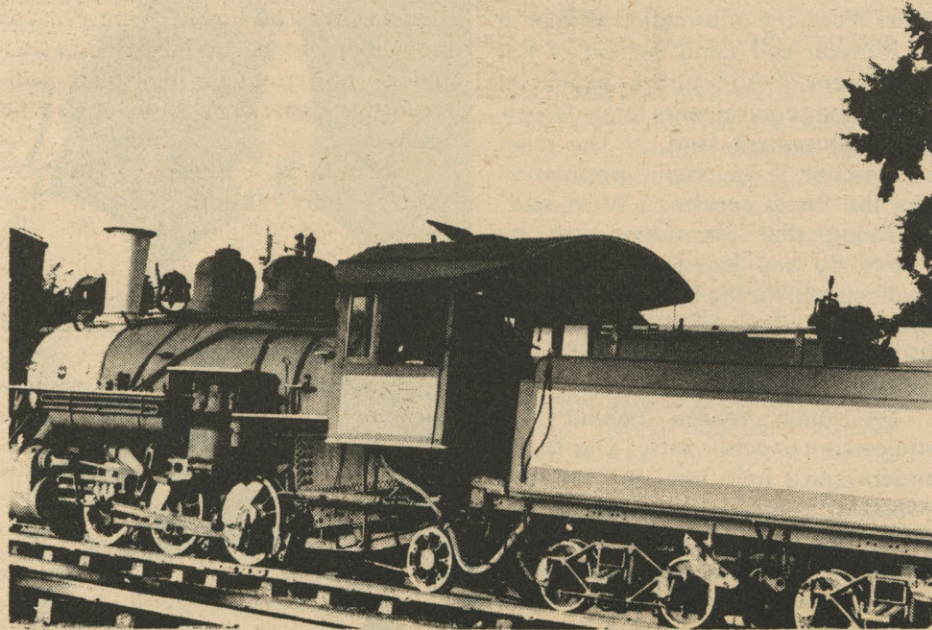
According to Merlin Nicolson, a spokesman for OP&E, this summer's steam train tours beginning June 17 will be "better than ever" with good narration at key points along the way.

His company expects big turnouts this year and has purchased enough extra cars to accommodate 100 more passengers per trip; so Nicolson recommends that you come about one hour earlier than the 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. departure times on Saturdays and Sundays in order to avoid "cramped quarters" at the small depot. It's fun to come early anyway to watch the engine work up steam for the trip and to take pictures before boarding.

As a matter of fact, photographers who want pictures of the engine as it rounds curves should sit as close to the caboose as possible. I found that most of the good scenery was on the right side while going toward Culp Creek and on the left coming back; so a right hand seat in the club car near the caboose is a real good seat for more than one reason!



When the train bell rings passengers know it's time to board the "Goose." Photo by Mary McCullough.



"Old Slow 'n' Easy," a steam locomotive, rambles its way along the Calapooya foothills and around Dorena Lake. Photo by Mary McCullough.

Groups offer weekend trips

by Jack Desmond

It's Friday afternoon and the sun is shining, just begging for you to get away from it all. But you don't have a car to get away from the mess that the car has created.

Canoeing down the Donner and Blitzen river, hiking up Mt. Jefferson, or hiking across the wind-swept dunes south of Florence are several weekend trips offered by various groups throughout the Eugene-Springfield area.

• *The Outdoor Program*, located at the University of Oregon's Erb Memorial Union, coordinates a bulletin board system to organize trips. According to Patsy Christgau, work-study student at the center, a person merely posts a trip description list at the center's bulletin board; usually other people will respond, wanting to participate, and then all parties take care of their own details of the trip.

• *The Sierra Club* offers one or

two-day trips on most weekends. Trip descriptions can be found in their local publication or in Dan Sellard's column in the Register-Guard on Sundays. If you miss either of these trip descriptions, the Sierra Club also posts a sign-up sheet at Berg's Sport Shop at the corner of 11th and Mill Streets. The only cost for these trips is the gas.

• *The Obsidians* offer trips that can also be found in Dan Sellard's column. The Obsidians post a sign-up sheet at the YMCA across from South Eugene High School.

Jogging trails

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footsteps after reaching what was previously a dead end.

Then there are a large number of neighborhoods that make for an enjoyable run if you don't mind curbs and occasional dogs. Some of the quieter areas are the University district west and east of the U of O, parts of the College Hill area (but beware of some steep hills), Fox Hollow in south Eugene, and Laurel Hill valley (but you have to climb Hendricks Park's notorious hill if you don't want to run along the freeway to get there).

Sawdust trails, asphalt bike paths, sidewalks. All waiting for a pair of new jogging shoes to try them out.

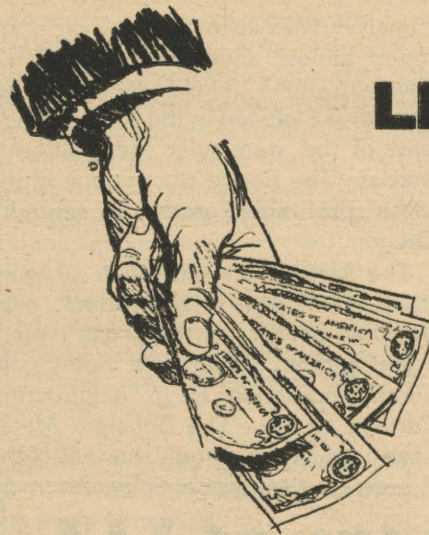
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by Rick Dunaven

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From the parched, sun-baked soil of South Africa, which produces more than

other mines in the surrounding areas east of Eugene.

Most Lane County gold mines are located on National Forest Land: The Bohemia mine is in the Umpqua National Forest as are the Combination, Mineral King, Musick, Evening Star, and the Green Peak mine to name just a few.

These mines are located near the head waters of Sharps' Creek approximately 15 miles southeast of Cottage Grove. Maps for this area can be purchased from the Forest Service.

Ron Wold, the information officer in the Mineral and Land section of the Department of Agriculture, explained some of the requirements for prospecting on government land. "The main requirement is to obtain permission from the forest service," Wold said, explaining that permission can be granted by any forest ranger. The ranger station for the Umpqua National Forest is in Cottage Grove itself, at 70405 Cedar Peak Road. The phone number is 942-5591.

"The main reason behind this requirement is public safety: Our forest rangers can't help you, in case of a mishap, if they don't know where you are." The rangers can also be very helpful to the prospective gold miners by explaining the exact location of the mining areas and also informing prospectors of any possible dangers in the area.

Oakridge's North Fork Gold

Another area, for the gold prospector in Lane County, with a fair concentration of gold mines, is on the North Fork of the Willamette River, about 20 miles north of Oakridge. Here are the Highland Cabin, Billy, Christy, and Ironside mines. All these mines are in the Willamette National Forest, which have their offices in Eugene located at 211 East 7th. Their phone number is 687-6521.

Blue River Gold

Still another area in the county with a small grouping of mines is in the northeast section near Blue River. Included in this area are the Lucky Boy, Lucky Girl, Cinderella, and Rialto Mine. These dot the headwaters of Quartz Creek about four miles north of Blue River. These mines are also part of the Willamette National Forest.

Gettin' The Gold

There are two basic ways for recovering precious gold: One is wet panning, the other is dry panning. Since gold is slightly over 19 times as heavy as water, prospectors can easily recover it by panning. Pans and panning methods have remained basically unchanged for thousands of years.

To wet pan start by placing material suspected of containing gold into a container--almost anything from a fruit

jar, pie pan or a frying pan. The first step is to submerge all the material collected in the container with water, making sure all of the material is thoroughly wet. Then rotate the container vigorously and begin removing the larger rocks.



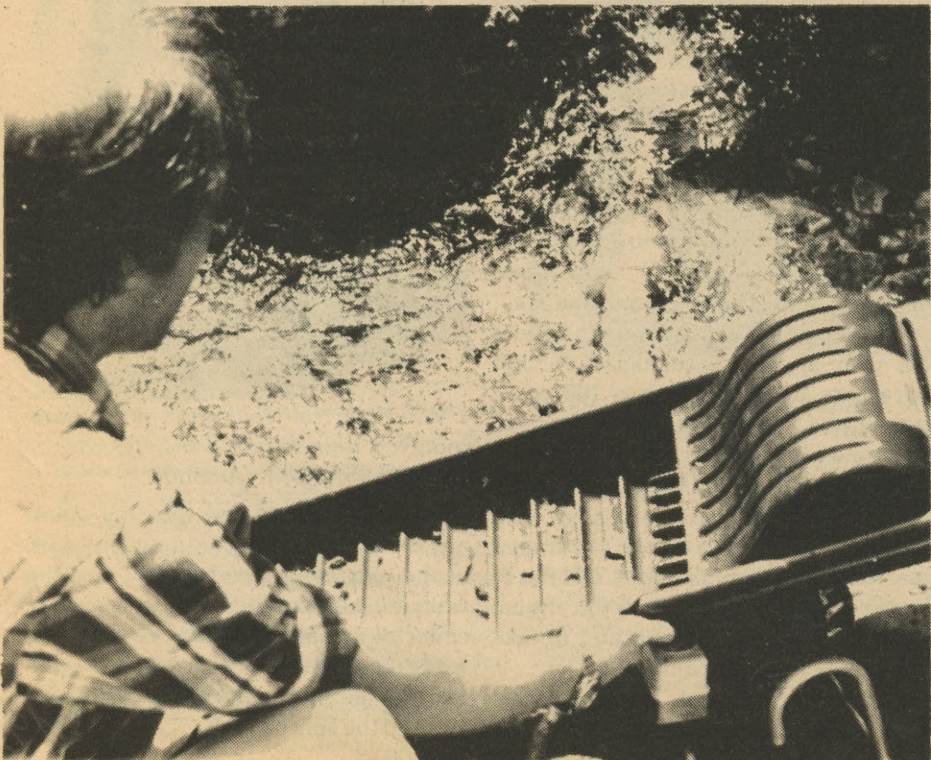
Panning for gold on Quartz Creek. Photo by Christie Davis.

Rotate the container in a circular motion, tipping the container slightly, allowing the water to spill out gradually. This will carry away some of the lighter material with it leaving the heavier material in the container.

The second method is usually only used when water is not present. Place material suspected of containing gold in a container, as in wet panning. Shake the container, picking the larger rocks out. Use a back and forth motion to spill the lighter material off gradually. Save the material left in the container for wet panning later.

Gold mining equipment is available to suit everyone's enthusiasm and pocketbook. For \$1.25 the amateur prospector can buy a steel pan six inches in diameter.

The cost can escalate to around \$3,400 for an eight inch surface dredge. The portable surface dredge has proven itself invaluable to the prospector, amateur and professional alike.



The Oregon Gold Dredge separates gold from lighter sand and gravel and deposits the gold particles in the sluice box. Photo by Christie Davis.

half the world's supply of gold, to Alaska's freezing tundra, gold is waiting to be discovered by a lucky prospector. In the words of Roy Lagal, author and life-long prospector, "Gold is where you find it."

You can even find it in Lane County--in fact, right near Cottage Grove and also Oakridge and even in Blue River.

Certainly most gold fields in America are found in the western United States, from New Mexico to Alaska. Traces are found almost anywhere in Oregon. Concentrations (likely spots for recovery) are located in the southwestern part of the state near the California border. The Rogue river is one of the more profitable areas in southern Oregon.

The largest concentration of gold fields in Oregon is around Ontario, near the Utah border, on the Snake river.

But another Willamette Valley gold mining operation is in neighboring Cottage Grove. The Bohemia Mines have produced more gold than any of the

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any stretch of river. Rapids are classified by a national standards rating system for difficulty, and while some are perfect for the novice, others are a challenge for the experts.

There are the hard-core canoeists who insist upon challenging the white water of roaring mountain gorges, but a canoe is less maneuverable than a kayak and is more adapted to the straighter stretches of fast water. Yet a canoe can become, virtually, a dreamboat on a calm lake, a lazy river, or a peaceful millrace.

Canoes are ideal for group or family adventures and, in quiet waters, the beginner need not feel overly intimidated by an absence of skill.

A basic canoe outfit can be acquired for as little as \$350. But, like most forms of boating, one's wants, needs, and pocketbook are going to dictate the financial outlay.

One need not purchase a canoe, however. Canoe rentals are available locally and the cost (canoe, paddles, and

fingers and hope for a midday fish fry. *Sea Charters*

The Pacific Northwest is famous for its salmon runs and one of the more expedient ways of hooking into one of those lively "Silvers" or monstrous "Chinooks" is to go to sea on a charter boat.

The only real prerequisite is a valid fishing license and a salmon tag because the charter service provides the rest: Boat, licensed skipper, and a bait boy to tend the tackle and bait (also provided).

Charters, as a rule, generally go out for four hours and the fee is usually about \$20 per person. In the summer, it is recommended that reservations be made several days in advance—particularly for weekends.

Powered Craft, Modest & Grand

Power boating covers a spectrum so wide as to be nearly incomprehensible. From 12-foot aluminum cartoppers to elegant offshore diesel cruisers, there is a boat, a price range, and an adventure for nearly everyone. Fishing, waterski-

be rented in Eugene for \$13 a day, and many of the lakes in the area are spotted with small marinas that offer daily, or hourly rental rates on small outboard fishing craft, or rowboats.

On the other hand, a family can expect to invest \$3,800 or more for a basic waterski package which includes a good quality boat with ample power.

The high-powered inboard racing boats that start burying their throttles in excess of 55 miles per hour start at \$6,000 to \$7,000, but usually surpass \$10,000 in initial cost, fully equipped.

Larger boats with spacious cabins and all the amenities of home are more expensive yet. The bigger the boat and the more creature comforts and power it contains, the greater the initial cost, and the greater the cost of operating and maintaining it. Consequently, for power boating the sky really is the limit.

The Wind-Blown Variety

Throughout history, sailing has often been regarded almost mystically as the medium for a spiritual bond between humans and the sea.

Today, it is often associated with affluence—as the pastime of the elite.

more, however, which makes rental a nice alternative for the now-and-then sailor. In Eugene, a small cat rig or sloop can be rented for about \$30 per day.

Safe and successful sailing does require the acquisition of some basic skills, however, and some form of instruction is necessary for getting started. LCC often offers sailing instruction through the Adult Education Program and the Eugene Chapter of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary occasionally offers sailing classes.

Sailing, like power boating, is a wide world, and the expense and the adventure can become as extravagant as the sailor's dreams.

The thrills, excitement, and variety of pursuits upon the water are nearly without limit. But the highest level of pleasure can be plunged into horrifying tragedy almost instantly as a result of the most innocent of errors, or ignorance of safety practices and rules.

So time spent studying safety manuals, attending a boating safety course, and becoming familiar with one's equipment is time invested in more assured pleasure.

For 'test of ability' or great weekend, rafting is exciting

by Jack Desmond

"You can know every pebble in the stream and never swamp, but you never know what will happen. One time, our raft flipped and I plunged into the water. A snake on a rock also happened to fall into the rapids. He turned and looked at me. We knew we were both 'had' so we went down it together until he disappeared," said Gary Lutman, a long-time river rafter.

River rafting has mushroomed in the last few years, although no one knows for sure how many people participate in the sport. Ken Morton, another long-time river runner, estimates that thousands of people float down the McKenzie River on the warm, sunny days over the summer.

Rafting rivers for some people is an enjoyable way to relax on a weekend. For others, like Lutman, rafting is a test of his ability.

"No one else except the guy in front and you (in the raft) is responsible.

When you see a rock in front of you, you can really get a lot of adrenalin going...getting through a obstacle is an unbelievable experience," he says.

Lutman counsels that the best partner to have is "someone that you don't know very well," because of the mutual responsibility and reaction needed between the two paddlers. He has rafted rivers many times with his wife, and he adds that, unfortunately, "we were at each other's throats at times" because each felt pressured by the other.

Like the thrill of roaring down a highway at 90 miles an hour, river rafting is dangerous. Morton was floating down the McKenzie a couple of years ago and saw what happens when people aren't prepared.

"It was a snowy, windy day and I only had a surfsuit on. I pulled out below Martin's Rapids by a campfire to warm up. A couple in a 10-foot rowboat came floating down through the rapids. They didn't have any lifejackets on and were obviously inexperienced. Their rowboat went 'ass over teakettle' in the rapids. It took the combined efforts of a powerboater and us to rescue them."

River rafters call that harrowing experience "buying a farm," a term coined by veterans who had survived the ravages of World War II and whose only thought was to escape to an idyllic spot, such as a farm, that would be free

from danger.

If you're not ready to buy a farm, you don't have to listen to Morton's words.

You can float the lower McKenzie anytime, but the upper McKenzie is nothing to screw around with. (Especially) later in the year because of the exposed rocks," he warns.

A spokeswoman for the Willamette National Forest explained that "Because of so many dangerous rivers, we don't like to give advice."

However, there are five launching sites along the McKenzie between Blue River and Vida. These launching sites are marked by road signs to provide convenient access for rafters.

The lower McKenzie is generally considered a fairly safe river to float, though several participants in the now defunct "Whitewater Parade" drowned one year.

Though care should be taken when floating rivers, Lutman relished the continual challenges that the rivers present.

"There was a log jam ahead where the channel narrowed. You could get under the log if you really ducked down. My wife and I tried to angle off to one side to let everyone else through. The current was so strong that our canoe was swamped."

Lutman then had to corral the canoe and push it towards the shore. After hard work, he and his wife were able to

drag the canoe to the beach.

Says Lutman, "It's always your ability that gets you through."

If you're planning a raft trip down any of the rivers in Oregon, here are some tips on preparation.

Where to go

The McKenzie, the Deschutes, and the Santiam rivers are ideal day float trips. The upper McKenzie and the Deschutes are both swift and challenging. For beginners, the lower McKenzie below Ben and Day Dorris State Park is a good first trip.

What to bring

Surfsuit (if cold), helmet, lifejacket.

Organized trips

The Outdoor Program at the U of O offers several trips a week in the spring and summer down the McKenzie and other rivers. However, these trips fill up fast. The Sierra Club and Mazamas occasionally offer float trips.

Renting rafts

Rafts can be rented at the Outdoor Program office for six dollars a day. However, the rafts can only be used on Outdoor Program initiated trips. Franklin's Rentals offers two-person rafts for seven dollars a day; four-person rafts for nine dollars a day. A \$25 deposit is required.

Latest information on river conditions

The Outdoor Program posts hazards. Currently, there is a log across the river at Paradise Campground on the McKenzie River.

life-jacket) is a modest eight dollars. *The McKenzie River Special*

The McKenzie River, with its sparkling ripples and deep trout pools is famous for its fishing and for its beauty. It seems almost fitting that a boat should be designed specifically for it.

The flat-bottomed dories that are often seen sitting motionless on the clear, rushing waters are just that—McKenzie River Boats.

With the oars in the hands of experienced guides the boats appear to defy the current when maneuvering to where the fish are.

A one day trip on the McKenzie with a licensed guide costs \$85, but the fee can be divided between two people. It is recommended that rain gear, tackle and a lunch be provided by the customer, although guides can usually supply the tackle.

Some of the more optimistic customers bring no lunch, but cross their


ing, racing, and travel are a few of the most common activities of local boaters in local waters.

A used aluminum fishing boat with trailer and motor can sometimes be had for less than \$500.

But an aluminum cartopper with outboard motor and life-jackets can also

However, sailing can be enjoyed as one of the least expense and most challenging forms of boating. It is possible to purchase a small, used sailboat for as little as \$350 and thereby possess a boat that can provide endless hours of excitement and pleasure.

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