

# Commuter

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## Budget, smoking area discussed at senate meeting

by Jim Perrone

"...three, four, maybe five or more elections may be necessary, before a budget levy is passed," said student body President Phyllis Williams, speaking to the student senators at their regular Monday meeting.

Williams called on one of the senators to volunteer for campaign duty. "A chairman is needed," she said, "who is willing to work long arduous hours, be able to cope with frustrations, meet and talk with people who, not only oppose the budget, but would like to do away with students."

Following these encouraging words the student senate decided to table the subject. However, before doing this it was decided that someone from the

group would be appointed.

There were some new faces in the student senate. They were the recently appointed members who took office following the special election selection by the ASLBCC Executive Committee, and by the senate's approval. New senators are; Sandi Sundance, Rex Bush, Rod Ortman and Val Shuck.

In other business, the smoldering issue of "No smoking areas" in the Commons and the Fireside Room was renewed. It seems that a number of persons have been ignoring the no smoking signs placed on the tables. Evidence for this conclusion was presented to the senate by its adviser

Judy Green. "What we're finding, is cups of cigarette butts, now that we've removed the ash trays," said Green.

She asked for senate support in encouraging them to seek the cooperation of others, so that an area for non-smokers could be available.

Sandi Sundance brought up a problem related to the senate office. Sundance said, "There always seems to be a lot of people hanging around the office with no business there. All they do is hang around and act up. I don't personally feel that they belong in there."

Pauline Darling, vice president, objected strongly to Sundance's state-

ment. "The students have more of a right to be in the office than we do. We're only their representatives. So they cut up a bit, but we can live with it," said Darling.

Williams took her turn in the dialogue and made her contribution to resolving the problem. She said, "I agree with Sundance that there has been too much fooling around in the office. But I haven't heard of anyone getting pregnant by the fooling around that's done there."

It was agreed that in the future they would maintain a business-like atmosphere in the office without restricting its use by other students. □

## LBCC hosts student visitors

by Jim Perrone

Collective bargaining rights for Oregon's community college students, was an issue that was raised by the student's Board of Presidents Association when they met at LBCC.

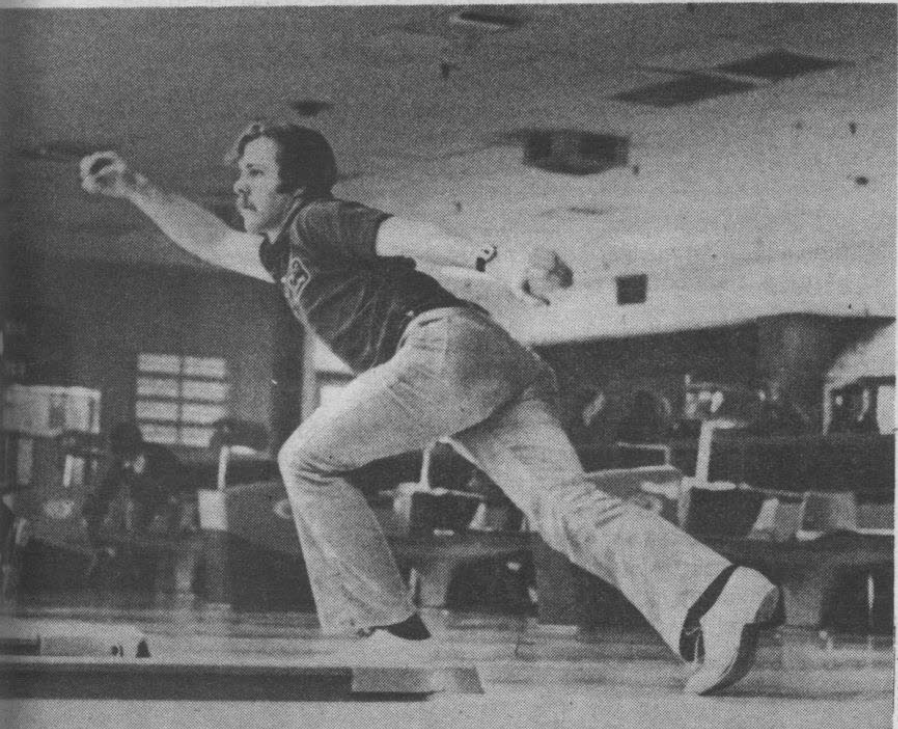
Members of this student organization, known as Community College of Oregon Student Association and Commissions (CCOSAC), represents students from Oregon's 13 community colleges.

During the Saturday afternoon session they passed a resolution which asks that Governor Straub call a special session of the legislature. This request asks that the inadvertent word use in H.B. 3043 be changed. The bill now restricts collective bargaining rights to "Institutions of Higher Learning." Because of this word usage, community colleges have been excluded. The student representatives did not feel that the intent of the legislature was to exclude them and are asking for this oversight to be corrected.

About 90 representatives from throughout the state also heard the student board approve a resolution calling for an end to a federal policy of discrimination in student loan qualifications. Present policies disqualify eligibility for loans. A high school education is required before students can become eligible. This the board felt was depriving those most in need of this type of assistance.

In other action, the board took a strong stand against Senate Bill 1. This is the Criminal Justice Reform Act of 1975. They felt that SB 1 is very repressive and expressed this to Oregon's senators Packwood and Hatfield in the form of a resolution.

They also formed a CCOSAC Lobby Commission. This commission is charged with the responsibility of researching any federal or state legislation which might concern community college students. □



Strike or gutter? Varsity bowler Butch Miller rolls another one for LBCC in last Thursday's match with Portland State.

Bill Lanham

There's a lot of things you can do'

## Is student senate worth it? ...worth what?

by John Miller

How is it that the student body has no more interest in its student government than to provide only 309 votes out of a possible 4,000? How is it that students apparently never know when student senate meetings are held and that they rarely ever use the power which is theirs as students at LBCC?

"There are a lot of things that your average student can do on this campus," said Associated Students of LBCC President Phyllis Williams.

It is apparent that most students aren't aware of their power or their capabilities as an individual student. According to Williams, the only difference between senators and the average student is that senators are

either elected (by a very few people) or appointed. Other than that, the average student has as much input as senators. Any student can head a committee and, according to Williams, is encouraged to do so.

Williams also stated that with students behind their ASLBCC Senate, "We could do anything on this campus we wanted to do."

Then why aren't more students involved? The *Commuter* talked to about 15 students in the Commons about this.

Only one or two said they know when senate meetings are held and none of them has ever gone to one. About four said that they have made suggestions

to someone in student senate; two of those suggestions were to put up the Christmas tree.

One man, who was sleeping next to another being interviewed, awoke when hearing the question: Is student government worth it? The sleeper sat up and very sternly said, "Hell no!"

But this one opinion doesn't represent everybody. Some felt that the student senate was worthwhile, and they felt it was their fault that they weren't more involved.

The first step to being more involved is to be more informed. Williams said that the senate is working on this problem. She mention-

ed the possibilities of having better newspaper publicizing of senate meetings and of having the meetings announced over the loud speakers in the Commons.

A possible answer to the problem of student involvement might come from the purpose of student senate. Apparently student senate is a link between the students and the administration. Some students said they should be able to go straight to the administration with their problems. One student said that he knew more people who go to the administration than to the student senate with problems. □



# EDITORIALS

## Location of ROTC information tables distasteful to some

A petition for removing ROTC from campus or at least removing their display tables from the hallway where they cannot be avoided, was circulating around LBCC last week.

There were over one hundred sixty signatures on the petition. The people circulating the petitions, after discovering the numerous steps and red-tape to be gone through to change a policy, have become disheartened.

Possibly nothing will come of these petitions. Hopefully, the petitions will be presented to the student senate. From there the student senate could initiate the policy change needed.

This many signatures on a petition, especially at LBCC where apathy runs rampant, indicates to me that the presence of the ROTC recruiters, as well as any other military recruiter, is offensive to many people here.

Regardless of what group was hoping to get its point across at LBCC, if a large number of students are offended by it, the group should be removed from campus or, at least placed out of the student's right-of-way.

To many of the veterans here the sight of men in uniform undoubtedly brings memories of the Viet Nam "war."

A movie was shown last week at LBCC titled, "Hearts and Minds." It was

a documentary of what really happened during the invasion of Viet Nam by the United States. It was the most horrifying, infuriating film I have ever seen. When I left the Forum I was almost in tears.

I was lucky. I spent my entire enlistment stateside. My hate of war and the industrial/military complex in the United States is based on ideals and values I have acquired in my life.

But how about the veterans here at LBCC who went through the hell of Viet Nam? Their hate of war and the military comes from gut-level experiences.

I can't imagine how the veteran of the Viet Nam "war" can pass these tables without becoming angry, depressed, and disgusted at the sight.

Perhaps some people would like to have military recruiters on campus. However, the recruiters don't necessarily have to be unavoidably situated. An office could be set aside, in which the recruiter could meet with those students interested in what they have to say. In that way not only would they be in a place where they could be seen by people who want to see them, but they would be avoidable by those who don't want to see them. □

# LETTERS

## Christian Certificate ?

I had a dream the other night or maybe it was a nightmare. It was so real that I just had to tell somebody.

I remember I was sitting in front of the T.V. with a reefer in my hand. I don't remember what the program was, but I do remember the commercial. I had just taken a big toke off the roach when this big, fat lady with a beehive hair-do come on and...

"Hello friends. I'm Dolly Parker from the Friends of Jesus fan club. I want to tell all of you out there about a special once-in-a-lifetime offer a fine organization is making.

We here at the club refer to it as the family savings plan. Friends, now you too can be a Christian. Yes, the Friends of Jesus and the Christians on Campus have gotten together with God and are making this wonderful offer.

"For only \$19.95 plus shipping you will receive a beautiful gold-bordered certificate proclaiming to all who read it, that you are a Christian with full Christian privileges. This certificate entitles you to bug people by trying to convert them. You will be able to thank

God at any time. And many, many more.

"Plus, if you order now, you will receive TWO free stereo long-playing albums. You will be able to listen to Billy Graham tell the immortal story of how we are all going to be wiped off the face of the earth when the TIME comes. PLUS, you will have for your very own, the recording of Paul Harvey trying to explain why a diet of meat can save you money over a vegetarian diet.

"Now friends, this is a limited offer. You won't find this in any stores, so hurry.

"Imagine the look of envy on your friend's faces when they see your certificate hanging on your wall.

"Remember, to get your certificate and FREE albums, send \$19.95 or \$29.95 for tapes to Friends of Jesus, Box 505, Navin, Tennessee. Hurry, the offer is limited."

I remember sitting there after the commercial, thinking. Then the scary part came. I remember writing a check for \$19.95. Amen.

Steve Hagstrom, LBCC student

## No apologies for movie

I write this letter to the lady who approached me after Friday's showing of *Hearts and Minds*. I cannot and will not apologize for the comments that came from people there. Whether they were Vets, I do not know, nor should that make any difference. I believe you were hearing their *gut* reaction to the hell that was Vietnam. You saw

Vietnam as an American Experience through *Hearts and Minds*. The questions the movie raised can only be answered by *your* conscience. I can only pray that you never see *your son* in a war to protect the multinational corporation's profit.

Robert Lincoln, student

## Right to privacy is no crime

by Jeff Feyerharm

This week's *Commuter* features a two-page spread on marijuana.

It is not the intent of this two-page coverage to encourage people to smoke grass or not to smoke it. The intent of the center page spread is simply to inform the reader of what is happening now concerning grass.

However, I find I agree with the stand the Supreme Court of Alaska took on marijuana (see center page spread).

The right to privacy is a constitutional right and the invasion of the same for the sake of harrassment of the marijuana smoker is a crime in itself.

When such a large number of American citizens have smoked grass, and when so many feel it should be legalized, where does the government get off prosecuting people for smoking a plant?

Indeed, if it is to protect us from ourselves we are in for a nightmare of a future. Shades of Big Brother (1984 is only eight years away you know)!

If, in truth, the government does want to protect us, it should protect us, not from ourselves, but from big business and from government itself.

Instead of outlawing a simple plant, the government might better spend its time outlawing nuclear power plants, hydrocarbons (aerosol cans), guns, field burning, clear cutting and the stink that emits from Wah Chang and Western Kraft.

These, I feel, are more dangerous than marijuana. The reason they are not illegal is the money paid either into lobbying or directly into the government itself.

When it comes right down to it, everyone has to decide for him or herself if they want to partake of marijuana. If you decide against it, fine, that is your right, but if you decide you want to smoke it that is your right also.

Let's get off each other's backs and let people live their lives the way they choose unless they are hurting someone else.

Marijuana: It's your choice. I feel obliged to inform you, however, of the danger involved in smoking grass.

It's illegal. □

## 'Absolute Democracy'

Picture this setting.

You belong to a small rural community accessible by three highways. Two are swallowed by snow and the third has been swept away by a landslide.

There is a critical power shortage and metropolitan areas have precedence in the distribution of electricity.

There is one market owned by a large corporation that closed it due to the lack of a proper profit margin.

The surrounding acreages are posted "No Trespassing" since they are owned by farming corporations and timber companies.

Your community is hungry, cold and a flu virus has contaminated the area.

There is no doctor or drugstore.

I've painted a bleak picture in your minds of a situation that can and does happen in the United States of America.

You have come to depend on large corporations and the government for subsistence.

In doing so, you've given them your free lands and handed them the puppets strings of your existence, through "representative democracy."

You recognize these atrocities as well as the decline of your National Government.

According to the Constitution of the United States, you shall have elected official as President. Yet, on the eve of its Bicentennial, the fact remains that the government functions with an appointed President.

It is now that you must realize the need for self-sustaining communities and to actualize education in this area to inspire an *Absolute Democracy*.

Rod Ortman, student senator

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## Playground might relocate



Dave Alexander

by Joan Murdock

Investigations are underway into the possibility of moving the playground used by the children in the Child Lab program. The playground is presently located in the outside area between the Science-Technology building and the greenhouse.

Jean Schrieber, department chairperson of Human Services, runs the lab. She would like the playground moved to the area between the Humanities

building and the Service Center. "It would be a sunnier and drier location," said Schrieber.

Help would be needed to move the chain-link fence and to build additional equipment for the children to play on. Any interested volunteers should contact Schrieber at her office in Industrial Arts 222, or call extension 417. □

## Review

by Sue Storm

### OSU 'Death of a Salesman': something to capture your attention

A dim light diffuses the stage. Flute music is heard, soft and melodic. The set is a simple affair—three rooms are shown, a kitchen and two bedrooms. This is the humble backdrop for the psychological violence about to be portrayed in the OSU production of *Death of a Salesman*, by Arthur Miller. From the left, a man shuffles on stage. He is carrying two suitcases that bend him double, his feet move up the steps to the kitchen door with great reluctance. He enters the house in obvious exhaustion.

The man is Willy Loman, and he is a salesman. This play is about his death—not just his physical death, but also the slow, moment-by-moment death that comes to those who have the "wrong dreams."

Willy Loman is a man trapped in the present by his dreams of the past. The play continually takes the audience into Willy's head to view the past through his eyes.

Guy Peter Oakes plays this part excellently. When the script calls for a scene from the past, Oakes turns the old, worn-out Willy into a vigorous young man. Even his voice changes remarkably to fit the role. Throughout the play, Oakes handles these transitions with beautiful perfection.

The play is billed as a tragedy, and that tragedy lies in Willy, slowly realizing that all his dreams have come to nothing, contemplating suicide. "Does it take more guts to stand here the rest of my life ringing up a zero?"

The surface conflict of the play is between Willy and his son Biff, who comes home after years of drifting. Willy's fantastic hopes were laid on Biff in the past, but his son ran out on him. The reason for this becomes painfully clear as the play progresses.

The love-hate relationship between father and son reveals the faulty logic basic to the lives of each family member. Biff realizes this in the end.

## Worth a Thought

by Judie Engel

In case you've forgotten, summer is when people load their car with children, relatives, the cat, dog and television set, and take it all with them. It's called getting away from it all. □

In Lexington, Kentucky, people cited for traffic offenses may give a pint of blood in lieu of paying a fine. In other words, they really pay with their blood. □

"The atheist's most embarrassing moment is when he feels profoundly thankful for something but can't think of anybody to thank for it."  
—Mary Ann Vincent □

A tot coming home from his first day of kindergarten, carried this note from the teacher to his mother: "If you promise not to believe everything your child says happened at school, I'll promise not to believe everything he says happens at home." □

The bathtub was invented in 1850 and the telephone in 1875. Had you been living in 1850, you could have sat in the bathtub 25 years without the phone ringing once! □

## Calendar

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4-  
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS 12-1 p.m., H 211 □  
CHAUTAUQUA: Strawberry Jammin' 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Alesa/Calapoola Rm. □  
JACK ANDERSON, columnist, at OCE 8 p.m. □

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5-  
MOVIE: *True Grit*, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Fireside Rm. □  
MEETING: Executive Council-Classified staff, 12-1 p.m., Willamette Rm. □  
MEETING: College Center & Activities Committee, 12-1 p.m., Alesa Rm. □

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6-  
LAST DAY FOR PARTIAL REFUNDS □  
BASKETBALL: LBCC vs Central Oregon Community College, 7:30 p.m., here □  
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS 12-1 p.m., H 211 □  
CHAUTAUQUA: Strawberry Jammin', "Southwesterners '76 Choir," 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Alesa/Calapoola Rm. □  
MOVIE: *True Grit*, 7-10 p.m., Fireside Rm. □

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7-  
ENERGY & CONSERVATION FAIR 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Commons □  
BASKETBALL: LBCC vs Clackamas, 7:30 p.m., there □

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8-  
Nothin' □

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9-  
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS 12-1 p.m., H 211 □  
STUDENT SENATE 4-6 p.m., Alesa Rm. □  
LBCC Feminists 7:30-10 p.m., Alesa Rm. □

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10-  
MEETING: Farm Management 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Alesa Rm. □  
RODEO CLUB 12-1 p.m., Willamette Rm. □

"Will you let me go, for Christ's sake? Will you take that phony dream and burn it before something happens?" Doug Berky plays Biff's emotional part with a natural ease that is refreshing.

Willy's wife Linda, is all the support he has left for his broken dreams, and Linda Styles plays the part very well. Her ability shows in the fiery speeches she gives to her sons about their father. "...he's a human being, and a terrible thing is happening to him. Attention, attention must be finally paid to such a person."

Happy, the other son, is played by Lawrence Knight. He is a somewhat neutral character, though still caught in the same web of non-hope. "My own apartment, a car, and plenty of women. And still, goddammit, I'm lonely."

Harsh tension alternates with swift pathos throughout. One extremely moving scene is that of Willy fumbling about in the dark, trying to plant a garden with a flashlight and some

seeds. The land around his house has been swallowed up by new apartments, leaving no room for a garden. This is nearly his last action before his death.

The three-hour play drags at moments because of a lack of physical action. But there is always something to recapture your attention. The script is filled with real-life bits of humor the audience can respond to. "You don't raise a guy to a responsible job who whistles in the elevator!"

As the play ends, it seems to leave its watchers confused. Each may see something of themselves in the play, and that could be unsettling. It's a story that strikes at gut-level first, and leaves the rest to be figured out.

One person remarked upon leaving, "It was so good, that it was depressing."

Tickets may still be purchased for Feb. 6 and 7 by calling 754-2784. □



# Marijuana grass pot tree fern tea hemp

## The joint you're smoking...

(CPS)—The joint you are smoking may soon be protected by the US Constitution, if a number of suits being filed in state and federal courts around the country are successful. Alaska has already given constitutional protection to use pot in the home.

The National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML), the nation's most successful pot lobby, has filed suits claiming that the use of marijuana in the home falls under the protection of the constitutional right to privacy. NORML has filed suits in California, Illinois, Tennessee and the District of Columbia.

The suits mark a major shift in NORML's strategy, which has formerly concentrated its resources on lobbying efforts in Congress and various state legislatures. NORML was instrumental in getting marijuana decriminalized in six states.

But the decision of the Alaska Supreme Court broke the ice on the constitutional issue and set a strong precedent that will be used in the other suits. NORML will now devote a much greater proportion of its resources to court battles than it had earlier, but will continue to lobby in the legislatures as well.

The Alaska Supreme Court, in its unanimous ruling, state that there was no firm evidence that marijuana use was harmful to the user or would "constitute a public health problem of any significant dimension... Mere scientific doubts," said the court, "did not warrant government intrusion into the privacy of the home."

Since the Alaska decision was based on a privacy clause in the state constitution rather than the US Constitution, it cannot be appealed to the US Supreme Court.

That aspect is one of the advantages of pursuing marijuana reform through the courts rather than legislative bodies, according to Keith Stroup, director of NORML. The court decision is not subject to the whimsy of politicians. Once the decision is made in a state supreme court, based on the state constitution, it has fundamental protection that can only be changed by that court itself or by a constitutional amendment.

A decision putting marijuana use under the protection of the right of privacy would also allow someone to cultivate the weed for personal use and to transport it as well. Under the Alaska decision, there is no constitutional protection for amounts of marijuana for sale rather than for personal use.

But at the same time, there is no maximum quantity explicitly set for personal use and the court generally assumed that amounts of pot ranging from eight ounces to one pound are for personal use. This amount is much greater than that set in even the most liberal laws passed by state legislatures, which generally designate an ounce or less for personal use.

In addition to the principle argument of the right of privacy, the suits also claim that current marijuana laws constitute cruel and unusual punishment for the offense involved, and that the laws deny equal treatment under law, since alcohol and tobacco are not treated the same even though there is definite proof that they can pose health hazards.

Some of the arguments opposing constitutional protection for the private use of marijuana state that the substance has indeed proven to be dangerous and that constitutional protection would open the door for similar rulings for more dangerous drugs such as heroin.

Peter Meyer, legal counsel for NORML, counters these arguments on the grounds that the suit deals only with marijuana, that there is not positive proof of harm and that the burden of proof is on the state to prove that pot "poses some significant threat to the individual or danger to the public welfare"—a threat that has not been proven.

In addition, Meyer said, even if a substance were to prove dangerous to an individual, it would still violate his constitutional right to use it personally:

How do people in Oregon feel about marijuana now?

The latest survey found that a majority of Oregonians (58 per cent) continue to favor the approach of the new law that makes simple possession of marijuana a civil "offense"—akin to a parking ticket—carrying a maximum fine of \$100 but no jail term or criminal record. Younger adults—ages 18 through 44—share a more lenient view of the four legal choices regarding sale and/or possession of small amounts of marijuana. The division remains sharp between those who either have used or currently use marijuana and those who have never used marijuana.

The Oregon survey, a follow-up of one taken in 1974, reports the latest public attitudes and patterns of marijuana usage since criminal penalties were removed in that state two years ago.

The '74 and '75 surveys were commissioned by the independent Drug Abuse Council, a Washington, D.C. based policy evaluation and research group, established in 1972 by a consortium of private foundations. The 1975 Oregon survey consisted of 800 personal interviews with adults 18 years or over, representing a balanced sample of the state's population.

"Why don't we have laws against skydiving? That's dangerous."

Until the Alaska decision, courts would not rule on the constitutional question, but rather take "an easy out" by claiming that marijuana was an issue for the legislatures, said Meyers. They "simply did not want to get involved," he explained. But now that Alaska has taken "a leadership role," other courts are more likely to confront the privacy issue, Meyers added.

The question is bound to reach the US Supreme Court. Since the District of Columbia lies under federal jurisdiction, the suit has been filed in federal court. An appeal would go directly to the US Supreme Court, and according to Stroup of NORML, either side that loses will definitely take it to the high court. Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark will donate his time to argue for NORML's suit.

In California, the suit cites privacy clauses in both the state and federal constitutions. California boasts more marijuana arrests than any other state. In Los Angeles County alone, where the suit has been filed (along with San Francisco County) the number of pot busts is higher than in most states. Even though California has recently passed legislation reducing marijuana penalties, the law does not go far enough, according to Gordon Brownell, west coast director of NORML.

The absolute earliest that the suits in various states are expected to reach trial in lower courts is this spring. They may not reach the state supreme courts or the US Supreme Court for two years. □

## Oregon Survey

	Civil penalties, as is (%)	Possession of small amounts legal (%)	Sale and possession of small amounts legal (%)	Stiffer penalties (%)
Total Adults	31	18	9	40
By Age				
18-29	27	30	17	26
30-44	35	21	8	34
45-49	42	9	5	41
60 & over	23	6	5	63
By Usage				
Have used	23	44	24	9
Currently use	9	54	35	2
Never used	34	11	5	48

In the year, the adults who used marijuana would appreciate the years since they were or less.

MARIJUANA USE

October 1974

October 1975

Of those who used it for less than a year or less than two years of age.

Less than one year

1 year to 1 year 11 months

2 years or more

Undecided



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## FarAfield

### Field Guide to Marijuana and Other Trivia

by Bill Lanham

In recent years a lot has been said about the plant marijuana.

Much study has been done and many reports have been made concerning the controversial plant.

Along with the various studies, reports, findings and theories, have come misconceptions and rumors about marijuana.

In order that mankind know the truth about the greenery called Cannābis Sativa Whocareza, I have put together a study of the subject, that is so complete and informative that even the foggiest of minds can learn about marijuana. (Note; this article is also intended for the novice who wants to be just like everyone else).

So come, people and learn, the "Far Afield Guide to Marijuana," is meant for you.

#### In the beginning...

History: The plant first appeared in Los Angeles in about 1757. At first, Angelenos used the weed for a variety of purposes ranging from swatting flies to an archaic version of bathroom tissue.

The first incident of actually smoking the plant came about three years after its first appearance. A steam engine owned by Texas Southern backfired, igniting a field of marijuana. A smoke inversion soon filled the air...little work was done in the Los Angeles area that day.

From this point on, marijuana usage grew and grew. It was still being used as bathroom tissue, but more people were staying in the outhouse for two days at a time.

In 1900, suddenly the number of smokers dropped to a new low. A fad had developed. People now turned to smoking the lint they found in their pockets.

Fortunately, the trend lasted for a short time only, and Americans returned to grass.

#### Numbers game...

Statistics: Number of single people using marijuana—usually one at a time. Number of married people using marijuana—usually one at a time. Number of joints using one of the couples—many times, but only when spouse is not home.

Other statistics include: 900, 1056, .75 per cent, 15,000, 2, 6-10 and 5-7 times daily.

In Kentucky marijuana is grown legally by six farmers who are funded by the government. The major problem encountered by the farmers is staying on their tractors.

The average size of a joint (marijuana cigarette), is three to four inches long. The average size of the same joint after it has been smoked is 1/32 of an inch (referred to as a roach).

The average heart beat of a marijuana user is roughly the same as non-users, although sometimes the smokers may be a bit *higher*.

And last but not least, the largest joint on record is the hip. Unfortunately the group that tried to smoke the massive joint...couldn't bend low enough to take a toke.

#### Scientific findings...

The effects of marijuana on the white rat brains and other dangers to humans: White rats seem to enjoy smoking marijuana but have a lot of trouble rolling their own joints. The mice get frustrated and few of them are able to reproduce, or function like they could before they smoked grass. The problems that they encounter as a result of this frustration tended to destroy their brains.

It has been rumored that marijuana kills more Americans than bullets. Contrary to popular belief, this is true: few bullets smoke marijuana. (Note; the opposite is true in South America).

According to one well known athletic trainer, a person can get calcium deposits in his or her elbow from

smoking marijuana. The problem comes from passing the pipe. He warns, "Keep those elbows straight!"

Probably the most dangerous aspect of smoking marijuana is getting caught. Penalties are somewhat lesser than in the past. If you get caught, it can only cost you your first-born male child; before it was the whole family.

#### Token's trivia...

Odds and ends concerning marijuana: Street names—Vine and Maple, 6th and Lyon, Hill and Dale.

There are many ways of attaining marijuana. Through research, I have found the best way is to dial 057-7842, ask for Bert.

There are many ways of using marijuana.

Some of the more popular are: smoking in a pipe, cigarette or bottle, eating in cake, cookies or brownies. Some even like to boil it to get a resinous oil. Those are the popular ways but if you are a bit kinky you might like to try smoking marijuana in the palm of your hand, or throwing a baggie into the air and trying to pick it all back up again, or (this one will really blow your mind), insert rectally. (Note; if you have hemorrhoid problems, grass can be mixed with Preparation H). Probably the strangest comes from one man who sticks marijuana in his ears. "I really don't like to smoke it, but I feel that it is my duty, as a brother to the universe, to use marijuana," he explained.

The benefits of marijuana are at times vague. Most users get a sudden awareness of the relationship between their big toe and their left armpit.

Conclusion: Totally useless although it does have possibilities. After all, Minneapolis would not be the same without it.

My final statement is: if you must smoke it, then do, but if you don't, then I would not, don't use it unless you've got it and remember the Alamo! □

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there are no significant differences among marijuana or that they currently use it. It has stabilized among adults in the two removed for simple possession of one ounce

Of those individuals currently using marijuana, a large number report a decrease in consumption during the past two years, while only a small number report an increase.

#### CHANGE IN MARIJUANA USAGE

	Current Users (%)
Decreased usage	35
Increased usage	9
No change	54

The survey again found that the non-users gave lack of interest and fear of possible health hazards rather than punishment as the dominant reasons for not currently using marijuana.

#### REASON FOR NOT CURRENTLY USING MARIJUANA

1974	1975	
Not interested	53	65
Health danger	23	28
Legal prosecution	4	3
Not available	2	1
Other reasons	9	3
Undecided	9	0

Adults who ever used (%)	Adults who currently use (%)
9	8

ana, only 3 per cent report that they have an additional 8 per cent reporting using it for than-one-year users are between 19 and 29

Current Users
3
8
87
2

## Get high on cancer

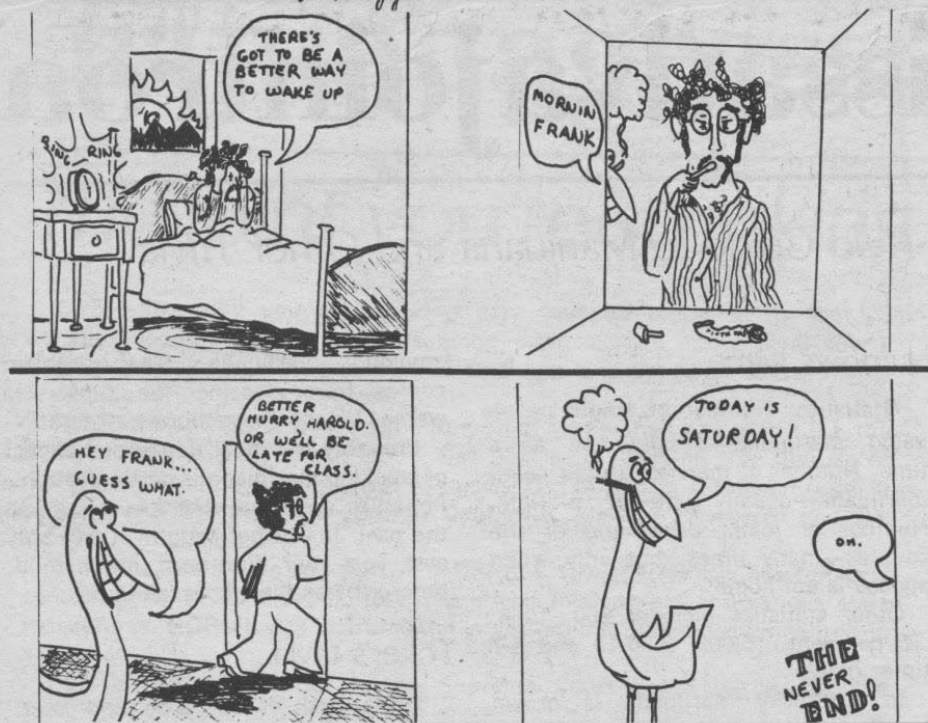
(CPS)—Marijuana, that wonderful, euphoria-producing weed, can also produce cancer, if a report published by a professor at Indiana University at Bloomington is correct.

Dr. Milos Novotny, associate professor of chemistry, concluded that marijuana is even more carcinogenic than tobacco. And as if that result is not painful enough, the report added that "the marijuana constituents that make cannibis marijuana attractive for its smokers, the so-called cannabinoids, are most likely precursors for formation of carcinogens."

In other words, the more potent the dope, the more carcinogenic it is. That Colombian you just paid an arm and a leg for may not only be dynamite but poison as well. □



## Harold &amp; Frank by J.R. Bailey



## Moneys worth

"How to Get Your Money's Worth," a five-week, one-credit class offered by the Community Education Division at two different times. The first class will begin on Feb. 10, 7-10 p.m. (TLN 6013); the second class begins Feb. 12, 9 a.m.-12-noon (TLN 6032) in Occupational 202.

Emphasis will be placed on consumer laws and rights, evaluating spending patterns, attitudes toward money, use of credit and planning for future spending. □

## Donation Succeeds

The LBCC Instrument Donation Drive succeeded in adding two clarinets, one trombone and one saxophone to the Music Department.

The instruments were donated by interested persons in response to the jazz concert held Jan. 19. □

## College transfers

Community college students who are planning to transfer to a four year college, and are planning on receiving financial aid from that college, should apply for assistance as soon as possible.

The priority deadline for several colleges in Oregon is March 1. □

## Miscellany

## Hoodoo bus

The Ski Club is sponsoring a bus to take skiers to the Hoodoo Ski Bowl this Saturday. The price is \$3 for members and \$3.50 for non-members. The bus will leave the LBCC at 7 a.m. If interested, contact Dick Collinson in the College Center office. □

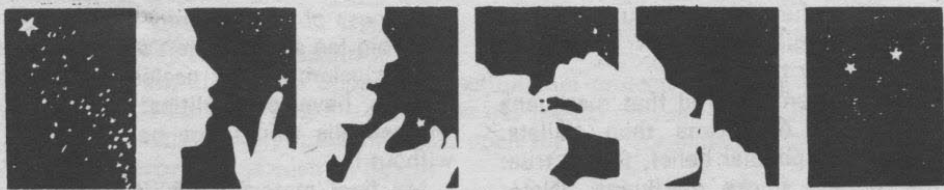
## Columnist speaks at OCE

Columnist Jack Anderson will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the new P.E. gym at Oregon College of Education. Tickets are available at the College Center, 838-1220, ext. 261 and at Stevens and Sons, Salem. □

## Energy fair

There will be an Energy Fair this Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the LBCC Commons. The emphasis of the fair will be on insulating your home.

Walt Matson, from OSU, will give a slide-tape presentation on home insulating at 11 a.m. There will also be a presentation by Pacific Power and Light at 1 p.m. □



## Tiva-tees

## LBCC movies are free

*True Grit* starring John Wayne. Rated "G". Showing in the Main Forum on Thursday, Feb. 5, 11:30 a.m. and on Friday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m.

## Help for dance

John Appleton has been appointed to the position of "Special Events" chairperson. Anyone interested in helping with up-coming dances contact John Appleton through the College Center office, ext. 283.

## Fresh coffee

Being served in the Calapooia Room from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. each day. Prices: 10¢ per cup or 60¢ per pot. We also have a variety of teas. All from the Beanery in Corvallis.

## Chautauqua

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., featuring Richard Ringeisen.  
Friday, Feb. 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Strawberry Jammin'. Bring you poems, music, skits, etc. Coffee and tea from the Beanery will be available.

## Help! Help! Help! Help! Help!

by Steve Mankle

Chautauqua has grown from student interest and will only survive as long as students enjoy it's activities. To date it has been on a fairly erratic schedule and the feedback we have been receiving tells us that there is a high interest in having it established on a regular basis. It is because of this interest that we have opened for business during the hours of 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Calapooia Room.

But we need help! At present we do not have enough person-power to handle the job of maintaining the coffee house the number of hours per week we feel it could be utilized. We also hope to grow to the point of being available in the evenings, providing good coffee and teas as well as a variety of entertainment.

If you have time that you could possibly contribute to help Chautauqua reach an operating schedule that meets the needs of the increasing demands, please contact me (Steve Mankle).

Or if you have ideas or comments you would like to direct to the people directly involved with its implementation and operation, please contact Steve Mankle, Keith Bailey, John Appleton or Judy Green through the College Center office.

Also, if you have an interest in any of the other activities program committees, please contact the chairperson of that committee through the College Center office. Films Committee-Dick Collinson, Special Events-John Appleton and Lecturers and Performing Artists-Keith Bailey. □

Women get the rap (sessions)  
Support, caring and sharing

by Joan Murdock

Women—are you weeding through the woes and wonders of womanhood? Do you wonder who will listen?

When you want to share your experiences, get in touch with other women or have a place to "just be," a women's group might be just the thing you're looking for.

What does a women's group do? "There are so many neat things that can come out of it," explained Judy Keith, facilitator of one group.

Meetings are on the LBCC campus every Wednesday noon in College Center 110.

The main purpose of this, and other groups like it, is to offer support, caring and sharing—rap sessions with a sympathetic audience—women meeting on the common ground of womanhood.

Another group on campus is the LBCC Feminists. Established about three years ago, they are a spin-off of the first women's studies group, organized by Gina Andreason, instructor, Humanities.

While somewhat resembling the

Consciousness Raising (CR) groups of the Women's Liberation Movement, the LBCC Feminists have evolved into smaller, unstructured, more personal rap sessions.

They meet every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Alsea Room.

Other former members of Andreason's original group went on to start the Women's Study Center, at Oregon State. The Center is now organizing a rap group for women over 25 years old. This is being formed "to meet the needs of older women," explained Vita Krantz, coordinator. Meetings will be on Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. at the OSU Women's Center.

So—if you're wondering where to wander, you might try any of the groups mentioned here. Check the campus calendar for locations and reminders.

For people interested in starting their own group, the Center at OSU is willing to be a "clearinghouse." Contact Vita Krantz, 754-1335 for more information. □



# Intramurals offer variety: New activities scheduled

by Bill Lanham

Intramural program director Dave Bakley has been busy this term. While in the process of running activities and concluding different events, Bakley has also been trying to start some new activities.

Currently in progress is the badminton singles tournament which is about half completed. Team basketball and wrestling is also in progress (wrestlers are still being encouraged to sign up for some weight divisions).

About to get underway is the LBCC Basketball One-on-One Championships.

"I'm really expecting a good turnout," Bakley said, talking of the one-on-one competition. "It should be tough, and real competitive."

An award will be given to the winner. Both men and women can enter.

"If there are enough women then we will have a ladies competition," Bakley said. "But if there aren't, the gals will have to play the guys...remember Title Nine [equal programs for women]."

In the future, the intramural department has planned raquetball, badminton doubles and a free-throw shooting competition.

Raquetball will be played at the Albany YMCA. Sign-ups for all the upcoming events, including the one-on-one tournament are being encouraged.

Open gym is still being offered on Thursday nights from 6-9:30, and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. □

## The 'Wizard' and the 'Butt' battle it out Pinball champions

by Bill Lanham

When you are at the top everyone is out to get you. But when there are two in the number one position it's a much different situation.

Fred Beauregard and Curt Souvey have found themselves in just such a predicament. They are known by different names in the LBCC pinball circles. Beauregard is the legendary "Wizard" and Souvey is the sudden star, the "Butt." Both are rated at the top, both have won a weekly or qualifying championship, and both are ignoring the threat of a third competitor, when the Grand Championships roll around later this term.

There is only a single remaining weekly championship tournament to be played. The winner of that will advance to the finals or Grand Championship.

"The next tournament is up for grabs for any has-been," the Wizard said matter-of-factly. "Nobody can reach our level!"

"We are the elite," the Butt added. "Anyone else is for us to pick on."

Thus far the Butt has established himself as the favorite, due to his defeating the Wizard for the first weekly championship. The Wizard came back and took the second

tournament try handily, over a weaker and "Buttless" field.

"I gave the Butt the first championship for fear that he would break down and cry," the Wizard said. "I won't spare the Butt in the finals."

The Butt tells a different story about the first tournament.

"I pulled it out with no trouble," he said. "Come championship time the Wizard won't even be in contention."

Any way you look at it, the Grand Championship should be exciting. Both the Wizard and the Butt plan psych-out gimmicks. The Wizard will wear a mask and the Butt will counter with his lucky sweatshirt.

In other pinball news, the obscure sport has finally been accepted in the agenda of the ACUI Tournaments.

The credit for the admission must be given to the Wizard.

"I had to go to the director and convince him," the Wizard said. "It was no easy task, but it's in."

The Wizard will be director of the ACUI pinball competitions.

"It's an important responsibility, but who else could they pick," the Wizard said. "After all, I am the Wizard." □



LBCC gymnast Linda Schultz makes a flying dismount from the uneven bars in last Saturday's meet at OSU.

## LBCC gymnasts perform well

by Bill Lanham

The LBCC Gymnastics Team put in a good performance last Saturday. Good enough to defeat OSU but not quite good enough to beat Pacific.

Donna Southwick, the leading LBCC gymnast and one of the top gymnasts in the state, said it was one of LBCC's better meets. The girls performed well and they all bettered their best score in at least one event.

Debbie Bell gave her best performance in the Floor and the Beam. Joy Peterson and Linda Schultz turned in better performances over-all. All of these gymnasts, according to Southwick are improving and should make

some big differences in the rest of their meets.

Southwick didn't do bad herself, she won the overall championship and made a spectacular performance on the floor where she turned in a 9.15 on a 1-10 scale.

The team is looking toward getting another chance at Pacific next week. They go up against them at the Pacific home gym on the 7th.

Looking forward to their upcoming meet, Southwick said, "We're all improving our routines and looking to beat Pacific." □

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A new lab section has been added to the General Biology course. It will be on Mondays from 3-5 p.m. in ST 204. Students should sign up in the registrar's office.

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