

We really did it!

By Sue Storm

Yes, we finally did it! The LBCC budget levy election passed Wednesday afternoon by a narrow 230 vote margin or 50.3% yes votes.

The LBCC Board of Education met at noon yesterday fully prepared to begin cutting more funds from the budget. But even though Linn County's votes were tallied in a strong no, Benton County was still counting ballots.

Chairman Earl Hirsheimer called the meeting to order, expressing the sentiments of all present, "I think we better start even if we don't know where we are. This is the most confusing situation we can imagine."

President Ray Needham then read copies of the letters of dismissal he would have to send out to many persons employed by the college if the budget failed that day.

But many Board members felt uneasy about talking so definitely when the results of the election were not completely in. It was finally agreed that the Board close the meeting and reconvene at 4 p.m.

Most persons felt they were clutching at straws by optimistically putting the budget cuts off until later.

Yet the precinct results from Benton County rolled in favorably throughout

the afternoon and miraculously began to close the gap between yes and no votes.

Around 2:30 the yes votes surged ahead by about 100 but then were quickly put behind by 67 when a mistake in counting Linn County ballots was corrected.

There were four precincts left to report in.

Suddenly, just after 3 p.m., the results were there:

No--19,161

Yes--19,391

LBCC exists for another year. □



VOTING BREAKDOWN:
Linn Co. yes--7865 no--10,955
Benton Co. yes--11,525 no--8,206

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This caricature was drawn by a Saturday Evening Post cartoonist, a friend of the person featured. Who is this amusing man? Turn to page 6 and find out.

Commuter News Staff

The *Commuter* is in the process of getting its staff together for fall term 1976. People interested in writing, photography, art work, advertising sales or typesetting should contact editor Sue Storm (CC

210, ext. 439) or adviser Jenny Spiker (F103, ext. 258).

Writers should consider enrolling in Reporting I fall term. Also, there are some paid positions available. □

newsflash

Candidate Speaker

Tonie Nathan, a Feminist running against Jim Weaver for U.S. Congress—Oregon 4th Congressional District, will be speaking in the quad June 1 from 10:30 a.m.-noon, then mingling with the crowd. □

Summer Registration

Registration for summer term starts today.

Monday Off

Remember, there's no school on Monday in honor of Memorial Day. □



The "New Lion in Idaho," Sen. Frank Church (D-Id.) took 36% of the vote Tuesday to win Oregon's Democratic presidential primary.



Governor Brown of California received a surprising 21% write-in vote to come in third behind Carter. In Benton County students were registering in droves on election day.



Ronald Reagan lost to Ford in the Republican primary but just barely. Reagan had 48% of the vote, and Ford topped it with 52%. (See pages 2 and 3 for *Commuter* reporters' coverage of the candidates' visits.)

Mike Blackshear

EDITORIAL Drug abuse needs to be treated for what it is: a psychological disorder

by Mike Blackshear

Bob, Jim and Skip dropped out of LBCC this term. The problem that caused this to happen was drug abuse.

The contributing emotional factors that may cause drug dependence in vets have been called the post-Viet Nam Syndrome. PVS affects many vets, but most of them are able to return to a normal civilian lifestyle.

Some veterans, however, aren't able to readjust due to psychological attitudes stemming from the military or previous experience. Some of these turn to drugs as a means of coping.

Advocates of the PVS concept would like society to understand this drug abuse as a symptom of a psychological disorder. Treating drug abuse without counseling in areas which cause the drug abuse, like problem solving and marital counseling, often won't keep the abuser from returning to drug use.

Bob, and other veterans like him, deserve the understanding that they are victims of a social disease just like alcoholism. All too often, the Viet Nam vet is stereotyped as lazy and/or a junkie. This doesn't speak fairly for the majority of veterans who have been able to readjust to civilian life again.

Nor does this stereotype do justice to the vet who does have a drug abuse

problem. Nearly all abusers sincerely want to be a worthy part of society. Most of them will admit that they have problems. What they need most often is acceptance and help from society.

Bob, Jim and Skip didn't find the strength within themselves to look for an open door at LBCC. Partly because the stigma of having a drug problem, and the image of the stereotyped "junkie," makes such an admittal an admission of guilt. It's hard for them to feel accepted as long as they are made to feel this guilt, which they construe as rejection and accusation.

LBCC does have an open door policy. Joyce Easton, health counselor and nurse, is ready and able to help students find referrals to agencies best suited to help them deal with their particular needs. Also, the guidance service offered by the counseling office will assist the student with this problem in finding help.

If you have this problem, help yourself by taking the first step, which is admitting the problem exists, and telling someone about it. It doesn't hurt much, and you aren't alone, although it may seem so. □

New editor speaks of plans, hopes

by Bill Lanham

Next fall Sue Storm will step into a position of great turbulence, but then she has the name to do it.

As the school year begins next fall, Sue will be the Editor in Chief of the Linn-Benton student newspaper, the *Commuter*.

Her new position, while along the same lines as the position she held this spring as Managing Editor, will carry with it a much greater amount of responsibility and work.

"The decision process stops at the editor," Sue said, looking ahead to next year. "Before, I could pass a problem on to Jeff (Jeff Feyerharm, the present editor), next year they'll be on my shoulders."

Sue was picked from a field of three finalists by the Publications Committee May 12, with the recommendations of Feyerharm and Adviser Jenny Spiker.

"Sue is a good responsible person and one you can rely on," Feyerharm said and then went on to explain the biggest reason for her selection, "We liked her crazy hat."

Sue admits it will be tough to be the editor but she looks forward to it just the same.

"It's going to be work but I think it will be fun, but even if it's not, it's going to be a learning experience," she said with a grin.

Beside being on the *Commuter* this year and one term last year, Sue hasn't had any journalism experience, but she has done quite a bit of writing. She has had poems published in "minor" magazines and still dreams of a novel. "Most of the writers I like have been journalists at some time during their career," Sue explained. "Journalism is the best kind of discipline for any kind of writer, with deadlines and always

having to watch for quick and concise wording it's hard work."

Prior to attending LBCC, Sue graduated from Corvallis High School and then did some travelling, holding an assortment of jobs. In 1973 she enrolled in OSU to study writing, but became disillusioned.

The next stop for Sue came in 1974 when she attended Central Oregon Community College in Bend. Finally in 1975 she came to LBCC, and apparently found a temporary home.

"I've decided that if I was going to earn money writing it would be in journalism," she summed up, looking to next year and possibly her future.

As for the experience ahead for Sue as editor of the *Commuter*, "she deserves everything that's coming to her and I'm sure she'll handle it well," said Feyerharm. □



Dave Alexander

veterans' voice

by Bob Lincoln

Confused about summer jobs? The Vets office has a job referral service. It is there to be used by you, the vet.

A number for Federal Job Information for veterans is also available; it is 800-452-4910.

There are also summer work study jobs available; contact Andy Pomazal for more information at the vets office.

DON'T TREAD ON ME

I had intended to write about justice, equality and freedom, but as pointed out by many avid readers, who cares? Maybe I should just write about vets benefits to people who do care, strange

though, most of them seem dead.

To inform you all about veteran's rights that don't come in your mailbox takes more room than I have space to write. All the information you need to start with is available almost anywhere. It's in two obscure documents; the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights.

To those of you who feel it not necessary to read those documents, think on this: "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing"—Edmund Burke. □

Church visits Wah Chang

by Loweta Hoskins

Idaho Senator Frank Church, 1976 Democratic Presidential hopeful, visited at the Teledyne Wah Chang Corporation plant located near Albany, Monday, May 24.

The Linn County Sheriff's department maintained strict security, searching camera cases and oversize bags in the face of telephoned bomb threats received by Wah Chang on Sunday, May 23.

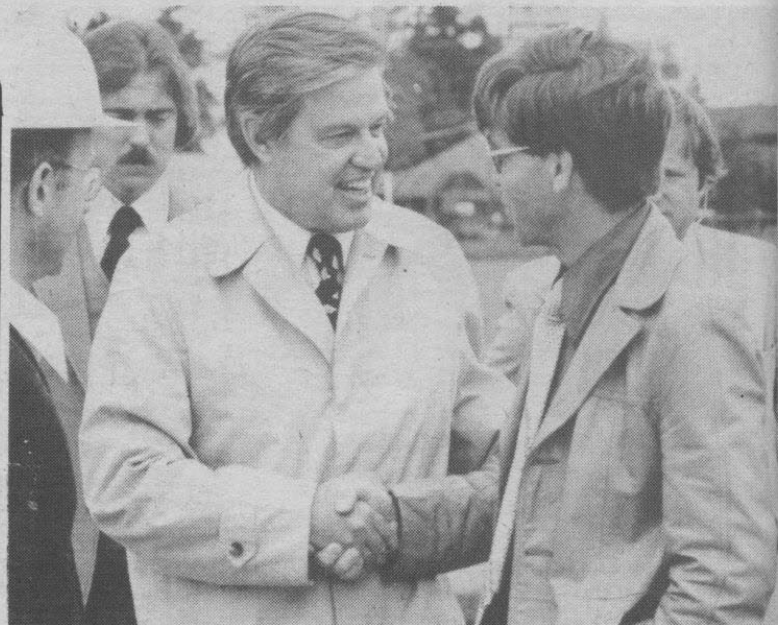
Accompanied by his wife, local campaign workers and secret service men, Church greeted a small crowd of loyal fans who had gathered in adverse conditions and chilly wind at the entrance parking lot of the Wah Chang plant. His informal comments had to compete with a passing

freight train, an automatic car wash and highway traffic.

In answer to questions from newsmen, Church said he favored the development of nuclear power, noting that while "Idaho possesses an extremely progressive nuclear power plant system, I feel that each state should be free to use self-determination on matters pertaining to state development."

Church added that nuclear reactors in Idaho and elsewhere in the U.S. "have a good safety record."

Church greeted employees there, shook hands and reaffirmed his concern for the problems of America's working men and women. □



Dave Alexander

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It is the intent of the *Commuter* to be a newspaper that is representative of the campus community. We encourage participation through letters to the editor, freelance articles, artwork and photos, suggestions or comments. All Written submissions should be typed, double-spaced and signed by the contributor.

Jerry Brown's 'New Directions' hit Oregon Trail

By John Cheadle

Speaking before an estimated crowd of 4,000 people on the O.S.U. campus Monday afternoon, California Governor Jerry Brown called for Americans to look in new directions and consider new possibilities for this country's future.

The Brown campaign is calling for a shift from obsolescence and waste, to conservation.

With regard to the energy crisis Brown said that it would help if people slowed down to 55 mph. but, he added, if the automobile manufacturers would design more efficient and cleaner cars Americans wouldn't have to spend as much money in support of the major oil companies.

Brown said that Americans have a

kind of Faustian bargain with their lifestyle in that the petroleum products that we need to support our lifestyle are being traded for weapons. He stated that he would institute controls on the corporations that make their profit from the sale of weapons to other countries.

Asked about unemployment, Brown said that he thought it would be possible to find work for America's 8 million jobless. He said that he would create a public Service Corp. That could utilize what he termed "America's vast pool of latent human energy." In order to balance the opportunities for people of all ages Brown said he would consider things

like sharing of work and a reduction of the work week.

Commenting on his impromptu bid for the presidency Brown said that his victory in Maryland came from a diverse area in the voting public, so he feels that his write-in campaign in Oregon has a chance for winning. He said "A write-in victory would be worth three primaries because it is so hard to do."

Brown also stated that he thought one of the biggest problems with public officials in America today is that they lose touch with the people that voted them into office.

He says that many elected officials get carried away with the prestige and

power of their positions, he feels that "Members of government should let the modesty of their life style match the poverty of their performance."

Brown also favors the decentralization of authority. Much of the decision-making power should be returned to the local governments. Such things as nuclear safeguards, marijuana legalization, and environmental standards should all be left up to the individual states to

At an informal reception after the rally, Brown said that he was taking his campaign one step at a time and as of Monday afternoon the step was to "Write-in" in Oregon. □



A mass of people awaited Brown on Monday.

Upon arriving, he greeted Ronee Blakely, singer, poet, movie star, who had been entertaining the crowds.



Reagan's visit to OSU interrupted by demonstrators

by Jim Gray

Presidential candidate Ronald Reagan, fighting off rude interruptions by a handful of demonstrators, spoke to an estimated 3000 people last Sunday at Gill Coliseum on the Oregon State campus.

Reagan, constantly mocked by the demonstrators with waving banners and verbal advice, greeted them by quoting Custer at Little Big Horn, "We take no prisoners," he said. He then spoke about the issues with the audience, changing his style of speaking from a prepared text to an open question and answer policy.

He voiced his opinion on the New York City financial crisis by saying that "the only difference between New York City and Washington (D.C.) is that Washington has a printing press." He also added that "asking Washington for help is like asking the captain of the Titanic for a lift." And he again stated, like he has in every other primary speech, that "Ford feels Washington can solve the problems. I feel Washington is the problem." The crowd then reacted with a response of abundant applause.

Reagan was asked what he could do for the treatment of the mentally ill. He responded by mentioning the mentally ill program he endorsed as governor of California and how successful that program has been. "No longer may persons be committed to institutions except in event of harm to himself or others," Reagan said. He also added that, "No longer are California mental institutions 'closets' where people are stored away."

He was also asked how he stands on the marijuana issue. "I think marijuana is the greatest threat to a whole generation we have ever faced," he said, and added, "I would hate to see government take any action that would lend any credence or weight to those that believe there is nothing wrong with marijuana."

The ex-governor of California was also asked about welfare and how it should be handled. He replied that many government-forced federal programs like welfare and education should be returned to local (state) control. He also made it clear on where he stood concerning issues like economy, the

Panama Canal, Russian wheat sales and nuclear power.

"The only solution to the economic issue is to balance the budget," Reagan summed up. He also felt that farmers should be allowed to grow as much wheat as they can and sell it on the open market. "There should be no government interference," he said.

On the Panama Canal, Reagan's hottest and most criticized issue, he feels that the United States has sovereign rights to the Panama Canal much like they had sovereign rights to Alaska through Russia. He heartily disagreed with one student who had understood his policy as being one of war.

"I'm not proposing war over the Panama Canal, the Erie Canal or any canal," said Reagan. "All I'm saying is that we have the sovereign rights to the Panama Canal." Reagan ended discussion on this issue by saying that he would send troops only if the Canal was threatened.

One of the final questions asked of Reagan concerned nuclear power-plants, and if he was in favor of continued development. Reagan replied by saying that nuclear power is the only means available to meet short term (electricity) needs. He quoted the "Rasmussen Report" by saying that many American superstitions are wrong—nuclear power plants can't become nuclear bombs. He said that the odds are 300 million to one against having a fatal accident with nuclear power, while chances at having an auto accident are greater.

The final question of the afternoon was asked by a student who criticized Reagan for being a half-hour late, saying he could have answered more questions had he arrived on time.

Reagan, who had been told that the previous question should be his last, let the young man ask his question, anyway.

"Do you think you have been fairly treated by the press?"

"Yes I do," said Reagan. "The press has been good to me." Then he thought for a moment, smiled, and said, "Never anger the mother alligator till you have crossed over the river."

Reagan then turned, shook hands, and thanked his stage helpers: OSU student body president; Sue Peterson, student representative for Reagan and Robert MacVicar, OSU President. He then proceeded down the steps and walked to the people who had lined up along the ropes surrounding the platform. He shook hands for ten minutes, signed a few autographs and then exited out a rear door to his awaiting bus, which was scheduled to take him to Eugene for another rally. □



Some among Sunday's turnout brought unfavorable signs and heckled Reagan throughout his speech.



Mike Blackshear

The audience was entertained by old time banjo music as they waited for Reagan.

FarAfield If you thought Watergate was bad...

by Bill Lanham

In this election year very few persons are being overlooked. But there is one man who has been lost in the shuffle.

Osgood Belusch wasn't running for the highly sought after presidential nomination; he was trying for the position of editor of the *Commuter* here at LBCC. But while the Publication Board was choosing Sue Storm as editor and reviewing the other applicants, Osgood was overlooked.

Belusch isn't an easy person to miss, either. He first made the news as an oarsman for the famous LBCC crew team. Since that time he has been interviewed for his unusual occupation of Easter Egg hunting and hiding.

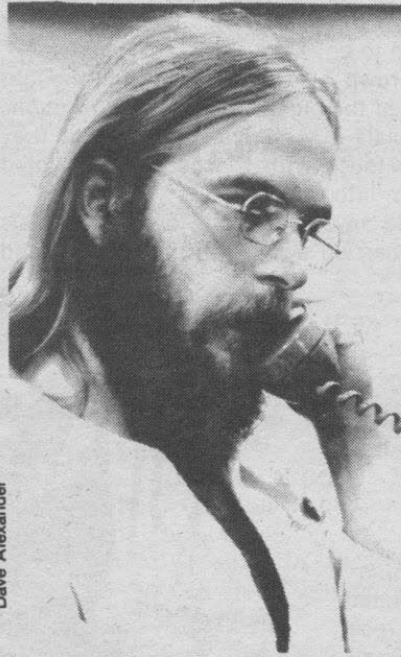
"I have the editorial qualifications," Belusch said. "At least I could have been considered."

But Belusch says he wasn't even in the running from the start. His typed application was filled out and then tacked to the bulletin board of the newspaper office.

"Literally they crucified me, right on the note board," he said. "I poured my soul into that application and they laughed at it."

Admittedly, though, Osgood's answers were a little strange, but they

showed a rare imagination. A good example was his answer to the question of the desired position, he replied, "Editor-in-chief," "Editor-in-brave," and "I'll even be a squaw."



Dave Alexander

Feyerharm, current editor ;
"No comment."

"I was black-balled by Feyerharm and Spiker," Belusch said of this year's editor Jeffrey Feyerharm and Adviser Jennifer Spiker. "They kept the proper papers from getting to the right people." Feyerharm gave no answer to the allegation about the black-balling, but he did say, "I am the *Commuter*!"

Bob Lincoln, a known radical around LBCC, was part of the committee that selected Storm as editor. He gave a little different response.

"He was definitely black-balled; they were against him from the start," Lincoln said. "They, (Spiker and Feyerharm), think he is a turkey."

"I'm not a turkey, anyone can see that," Belusch commented.

Sue Storm, the new editor, explained her views on the incident, "I had heard rumors of going to the bowling alley after the committee meeting and doing a little black-balling." She went on to say, "Personally, I think he's pretty well qualified; he knows his eggs from

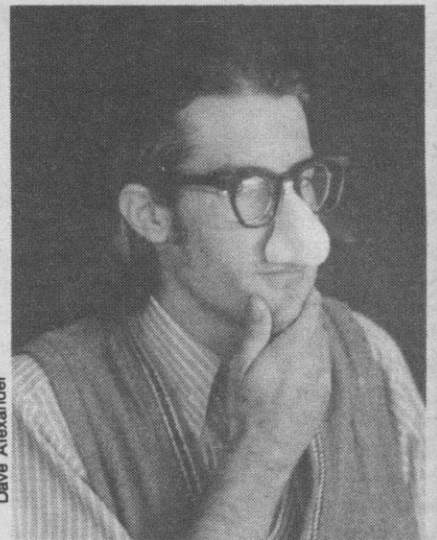


Spiker ; "Tough Beans."

ping pong balls and that's important for an editor."

"You have to have long hair and a van to be an editor. He drove a Plymouth," said publication committee member Mike Blackshear. "Our minimum requires a second-grade education, yes indeedeee."

"I haven't gotten very far in school, but I have graduated from life's school of hard knocks," he said. "Besides



Dave Alexander

Belusch; "Do I look like a turkey?"

they should count my kindergarten years as one of them."

"I know that education is important but then Nixon graduated. Taking a look at it, I'm not smart enough to rip anyone off."

If Belusch had been picked he would have had some high goals and roles for the *Commuter*.

How did Belusch see the paper's role on campus?

"I usually see them roll downhill on campus. In town though, I have seen the *Democrat Herald* roll up and even across water."



Dave Alexander

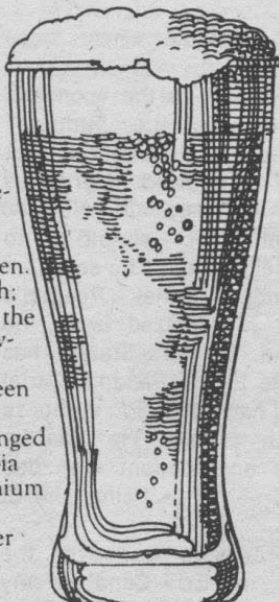
Storm blowing smoke in Belusch's face.

Belusch was also asked if he had any plans for implementing his goals.

"My goals were implemented many years ago. Even before it was a fad. I did it for the world, there are just too many babies being born and not enough adults." □

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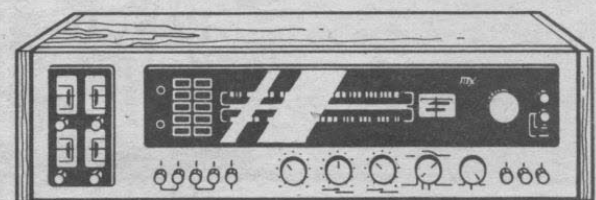
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Gardening class to harvest what they sow

by Nanci Greig

"Hey look at that, my radishes are coming through!" "Wow, look at my lettuce, far out!"

These are some of the things you might hear in Leroy Heaton's Biology of Gardening class. "The Biology of Gardening class is to teach people the right way of gardening, what kinds of fertilizer to use, soil testing, and what it means," says Heaton.

When is the best time to grow certain foods? Did you know that Albany has 221 days out of the year that you can grow and produce things? Besides the usual spring and summer months, fall is the best time to grow cooler weather vegetables such as celery and broccoli.

The class consists of 20 students who meet with Heaton on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2-5 p.m. The class starts off with Heaton lecturing on certain things

like watering, disease control, garden maintenance, grafting, insect control, pruning and many more.

After the lecture comes demonstrations, and then actually getting down to planting and maintaining. This is where Heaton gives all the credit to the class, "All I did was build the boxes, the drainage ditch and supervised—the students did the rest."

Everything they have grown has been from seed with the exception of their fruit trees and berry plants.

Heaton says, "We planted eight times the amount that we should have but that's so everyone can take some home to plant in their own gardens or just to take home and eat."

Heaton believes that disease and insect control are very important to gardening, "We can't feed the pest

and eat it too."

The class has heard several speakers talk on various things concerning gardening. "You just don't pick up a book and read it and believe you know everything about gardening; you've got to seek advice from your extension agents, that's what they're there for, is to help you," Heaton maintains.

Heaton really believes in gardening, "It's fun, it's exercise and it's beautiful to watch things grow!"

One fruit of their labors the class won't be able to enjoy are the tomato plants. The students will be out of school before they are ready for harvest.

However, at the end of the term the class plans on finishing up by eating a gigantic salad made out of their own veg-e-tables! □



Calendar

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26-
CHAUTAQUA, 10-2p.m., AI/Cal □
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS, noon, Willamette □

THURSDAY, MAY 27-
FILM: TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD, 11a.m. Fireside □
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS, noon, H-121 □
PUBLIC INFORMATION, 2p.m., Alsea □

FRIDAY, MAY 28-
CHAUTAQUA, 10-2p.m., AI/Cal □
CHRISTIANS ON CAMPUS, noon, H-121 □
FILM: TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD 7p.m., Forum □

SATURDAY, MAY 29-
Nuthin' □
SUNDAY, MAY 30-
Nuthin' □

MONDAY, MAY 31-
Memorial Day - No Classes □

TUESDAY, JUNE 1-
PROGRAMMING COUNCIL, noon, Willamette □
NW STEELHEADERS, 7:30p.m., Board Rm. B □
Board SUB-COMMITTEE, 5p.m., Santiam □

Tiva-tees

Movie

To Kill a Mockingbird. Showings are Thursday, 11 a.m. in the Fireside Room; Friday at 7 p.m. in the Forum.

A 1963 movie starring Gregory Peck and Brock Peters about two children growing up in a small southern town and witnessing their lawyer-father's attempt to defend a Negro unjustly accused of rape. Based on the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Harper Lee and a winner of three Academy Awards. Rated PG.

Feminist's Week

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26-
Current Attitudes Towards Women's Rights and Opportunities in Non-Traditional Careers
9-11 a.m.—Films: *Women Hold Up Half The Sky* and *Other Women, Other Work*
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—Panel discussion: Women In Non-Traditional Careers
Speakers: Helen Lowry—project coordinator, OSU Survey Research Center.

Gretchen Morris—Lawyer, Corvallis; Fenner and Barnhisel Law Firm.

Eva Cotner—Assistant Vice Pres. Corvallis Citizens Bank, Main Branch.
Layle Gunter—Corvallis Policewoman, C.P.D.

1-3 p.m.—Films: *Women Hold Up Half The Sky* and *Other Women, Other Work*.

THURSDAY, MAY 27-
MUSIC

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.—Ladies Night Out: Local Musicians (Corvallis) all women's band.

FRIDAY, MAY 28-
HEALTH

11 a.m.-1 p.m.—Resource, Questions & Answers: Advantages and information on the Home Birth Method and Midwifery. Dorothy Fitzgerald, from H.O.M.E. (Home Oriented Maternity Experiences)

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Young ideas and community involvement make the man

by Tami Wiese

Who is Earl Hirsheimer? He is a friendly, humorous, well-traveled, dynamic, likeable man with young ideas. "I am an idea man, not a finisher," which he says may explain why he motivates people to action.

Earl motivates people by being chairman of the LBCC Board of Education.

"The board represents the voters," as Earl puts it. "It's a very serious job." Earl is the current chairman of the board, but he is resigning July 1, because he is moving out of his district, from Sweet Home to Corvallis. He has worked three years on the board and one year on the budget committee.

Golf used to be Earl's hobby, but now it is Linn-Benton.

"It is a great interest," Earl explained. "I like young people. I have a real interest in young people."

He believes LBCC, "has developed very soundly and well," with an "unusually capable staff. We have new teachers, young teachers who are really interested in teaching."

Earl spoke about the advantages of a

community college over a four year institution. He feels it's easier for students, teachers and counselors to work more closely at a community



college.

The board and administration at LBCC try to gear their programs to meet the job needs of both Linn and Benton counties.

He stressed one problem facing the school was lack of communication between the community and the school. "People don't realize what we really have, we are just beginning to tell them." Earl added, "We have to find ways to acquaint the public with what Linn-Benton offers and does."

Earl comes to LBCC about three times a month to talk with the administrators and other board members. He feels that, "This is the most dedicated group of people I've ever worked with."

Earl was brought up in Wisconsin, attended the University of Wisconsin at then the Harvard Graduate School of Business. His specialty was marketing and merchandising. His first 18 years of business life were spent working for R.H. Macy in New York. Then he went to work for Broy-Hill Furniture Manufacturing in North Carolina where he was an executive vice president until he retired in 1964.

After his retirement, he and his wife traveled around the world on a freighter. They have visited places such as Central America, Mexico, Europe, the South Pacific and Southeast Asia. Their house in Sweet Home displays many beautiful Chinese and Mexican art pieces they have collected.

The Hirsheimers moved to Oregon to be near relatives. How does Earl compare Oregon to other places? "Oregon is a nice place but, I can't get used to the rain."

Earl summed up the interview with this candid statement, "I honestly think Linn-Benton has done more for me than I have done for them."

Other members of the board are Dr. Virgil Freed, Herb Hammond, of Corvallis; Russell Trip, Ethel Yocum of Albany; Joe Malcom of Philomath and Kenneth Haevernick of Lebanon. □



Earl Hirsheimer looks over pictures of his wife as a model in the 1920's.

Film on handicapped made at LBCC

by John Cheadle

LBCC is finally breaking into the big time with a fourteen-minute film entitled "Ability Counts" produced this past winter.

The film focuses on the education and employability of handicapped people. It will be distributed nationally.

According to Special Projects Coordinator Mel Gilson the purpose of the film is threefold.

First, it is to inform employers of the trainability of the handicapped.

Second, it was made to promote a national essay contest called Ability Counts.

Third, the film (because of its shortness) can be used by television

stations to fill gaps in programming.

The film was written, narrated, directed and produced by Rick Myers, a professional film-maker from Portland.

The film features such recognizable individuals as LBCC President Ray Needham, Governor Robert Straub, and Representative All Ullman, himself an amputee. There are also some nice shots of the LBCC campus and surrounding area.

The film cost over \$40,000 to produce and was funded entirely with federal money made available to the college by the Oregon Department of Education. □

Budget class proposed in 77

by Loweta Hoskins

The LBCC operating budget—how is it a problem?

Is there an attitude of doubt and uncertainty, an air of defeat concerning the future of LBCC?

Would learning about the actual makeup of the budget make any difference?

LBCC President Ray Needham sees a valid need for community education on the subject of budget makeup and input, and is working for the creation of a course of study to teach budget preparation and procedures, as each phase appears before the board during the year.

"We need students to involve themselves in the tax base issue, and a group of seminars about the budget is a good way to educate LBCC students and staff members."

Presented as a series of credit

seminars, the course of study would draw from qualified staff members to instructors.

Also to be utilized would be guest speakers and experts in the field from the state department of education and the county tax offices.

Curriculum material would offer working knowledge of how budgets are formulated and how taxes, on a county level, are figured for school levies.

There are eight dates during the year on which budget elections may be held. Each election costs approximately \$10,000.

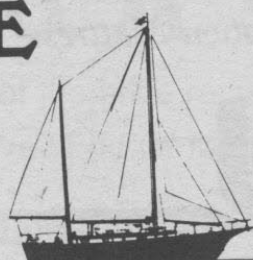
Would a more thorough understanding of budget problems facing LBCC eliminate some or most of these recurring elections?

"A better understanding of problems facing us might serve to clear student thinking, and to alleviate some of the problems," says Needham.

The series of seminars could not take place before January 1977, and would be offered through the Community Education Division, with a course description being introduced after November, 1976. □

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Track team places eighth nationally

by Nick McWilliams

Led by Don Cliver's first place in the javelin, LBCC's track team finished in eighth place in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) track meet last weekend in Pasadena, Texas.

The Roadrunners again showed their power as far as individuals go with three performers nailing either first or second.

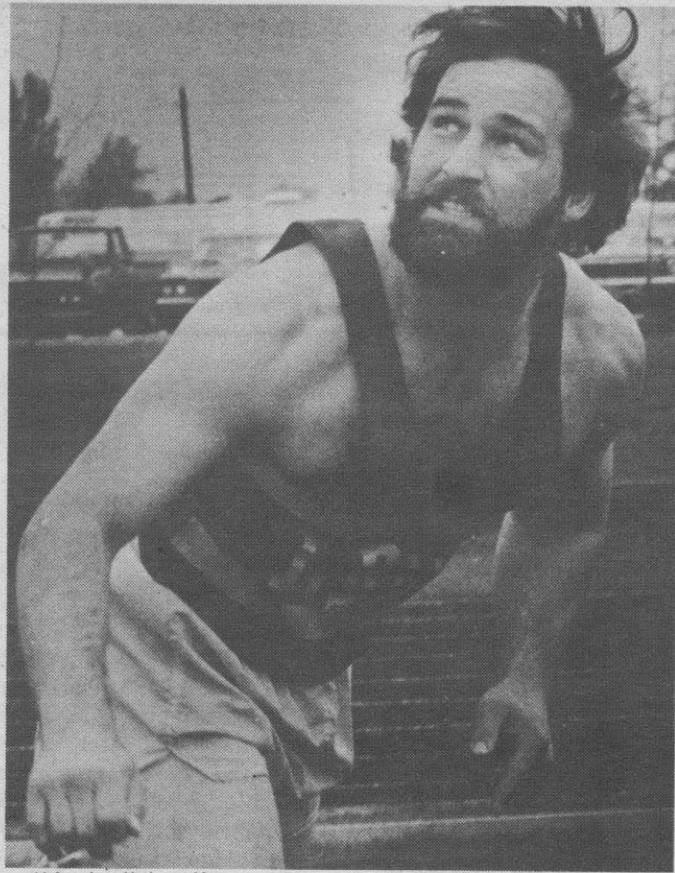
Cliver lofted the javelin a personal best of 229-6 to win the event along with establishing a new school record.

High jumper Bob Keith reached 7-0 in the high jump to match his previous best and finish in second place.

With a 15-3 effort, pole vaulter Tim Veller tied for second in his specialty, also tying his lifetime high vault.

Linn-Benton's only other entry, Pete Kermestrovich in the 120 high hurdles, tied his personal best with a 4.7 run. His time did not qualify him for the finals, however, as he placed fifth in his heat.

The Roadrunners final tally of 25 points for eighth place marks the highest LBCC finish ever at nationals. □



"Aminalizing." According to LBCC javelin thrower Don Cliver that's what it took to win the national title this year. And who's going to argue with him as he easily outdistanced second place by throwing 229 compared to the runner-up measurement of 222. [Photo courtesy of Democrat Herald]

Coach Kimpton to stay with Linn-Benton

by Jim Gray

It appears LBCC basketball coach Hutch Kimpton won't be running away from home (at least for the time being)—a decision that affects five new LBCC recruits.

Kimpton had been negotiating with Southern Oregon State College officials about that school's basketball coaching vacancy, and was one of three finalists for the job. However, the position was awarded to Jesuit High School basketball coach Gordy Carrigan, a 1961 graduate from SOSC. That decision left the other two finalists, Kimpton and Don Pollard back home to begin preparing for next season. Pollard is an assistant basketball coach at Forest Grove High School.

Kimpton had applied for the vacancy, along with 40 to 50 others, because, he said, "There's always the challenge of a four-year school. And potentially, Southern Oregon State College could be very strong. They have a sound education program and are in a league that attracts a lot of Oregon high school people."

Several of the 40-plus applicants withdrew their names from the list

when it was learned that the starting annual salary was around \$14,000. One such applicant was Lane Community College basketball coach Dale Bates.

Another factor causing applicant withdrawals was the requirement of a background in health education. However, Kimpton was qualified in this area.

But the nod went to Carrigan, a veteran of eight coaching years at Jesuit, posting a remarkable 175-75 record.

Kimpton's statistics were almost as impressive, revealing a 122-69 win-loss record, over six years of coaching at LBCC.

For Kimpton, the final decision will give him the opportunity to work with (at least) five new recruits, including 6-8 South Albany graduate Tony Westerberg. Tony Westerberg, along with his 6-6 brother Nick Westerberg and 6-6 teammate Neil Elshire, helped the Rebels finish second in the Valley League and travel to state in competition this past season. "He'll be our first true center in some time," said Kimpton. "We look forward to having him as the center of our attack,

both offensively and defensively."

Also joining the Linn-Benton team for the 76-77 season is Crescent Valley graduate Lee Bradish. Bradish, 6-4, played forward last year for the Raiders and was selected to the first team in Valley League balloting.

A second team selection has also announced his decision to attend LBCC in the fall. He is Brian Walldoups, a standout basketball player with the McNary Celtics this past season.

Linn-Benton is also getting transfer student Les Eversull, a 5-11 guard who averaged 25 points for Central Linn High School two years ago. Eversull is transferring from Southwestern Oregon Community College, in Coos Bay, where he attended school this year.

LBCC's fifth new face will belong to Vern McDonald. McDonald is a 6-4 forward from Albany who is returning to play his final year of basketball at LBCC, after working for two years.

So it appears Kimpton will have his hands full when the round-ball season comes calling during the fall and winter months. And it also appears that LBCC could once again be considered one of the better teams. □

LBCC golf team takes fifth of nine

by Jim Gray

LBCC golfer George Abel fired rounds of 75-77 to capture medalist honors at the Regional Championships this last week, and helped LBCC finish fifth among the nine schools competing.

"Abel shot excellent golf," said Roadrunner golf coach Bob Miller.

"If the rest of the team could have backed him up, there is no doubt we could have won," Miller said.

LBCC trailed leader Central Oregon by only four strokes after the first round, and sat in the third position, two strokes behind runnerup Chemeketa.

"I felt the team played well, exceptionally well the first day," said Miller, referring to Abel's 75, Mick Clark's 82, Vern Saboe's 86 and Jim Roth's 89.

But Clark and Saboe shot second round scores in the 90's, and you can't do that and expect to win the Regionals," he added.

LBCC finished the tournament in fifth spot, 29 strokes behind Central Oregon.

"This was a good team, the best I've coached," said Miller, recalling the success the team has had in seasonal encounters. LBCC often finished in the top three among eight and nine team meets.

"We were one of the better teams among the community colleges and we should be a threat again next year," Miller promised.

The team returns number one and two seeded golfers Abel and Clark next year and Miller is optimistic that the Roadrunners will finish better than this year's fifth place showing, in '76. □

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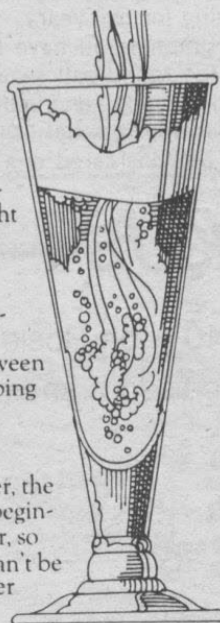
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Season ends on a frustrating note

by Nick McWilliams

An outstanding season ended on a frustrating note for LBCC's baseball squad last week. The Roadrunners reached the finals of the Region 18 tournament but lost two in a row to foil their bid at a national berth.

It was the sixth year in a row that Dick McClain's club advanced to the regionals and each time they have failed to reach the nationals.

Solid pitching and fielding was evident in the first two games in which the Roadrunners were victorious. But LBCC's usually potent bats were held to just seven hits over the two games as they scrapped for 4-3 and 2-0 wins.

The Roadrunners entered the championships round needing just one win in two tries over Treasure Valley Community College of Ontario, a team they had beaten in the first round.

But TVCC turned the tables with 2-1 and 14-8 victories, stifling LBCC's bats in the first game and outslugging the Roadrunners in the second.

Catcher Gig Nelson contributed four hits to lead LBCC in the tournament

and Steve Douglas and Steve Elam added home runs.

John Altman, who recently signed a contract to play for the Minnesota Twins' organization, shut down College of Southern Idaho with just one hit for his fifth shutout of the year.

In his opening game victory over TVCC, Dennis Balmer picked up another win to finish at 15-0 for the year.

Linn-Benton dominated the league all-star team, placing seven players on the first team. Infielders Douglas Elam, and Jeff Boyd as well as outfielder Randy Melton, Catcher Nelson, and designated hitter Kelly Brannon and Balmer.

Altman, Balmer, Melton, Douglas, Elam and Boyd gained Region 18 all-star honors and Altman, Elam, Douglas and Melton were selected for the District 8 all-star squad.

The Roadrunners closed out the year at 39-11, setting new school marks for most wins and least losses. □

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