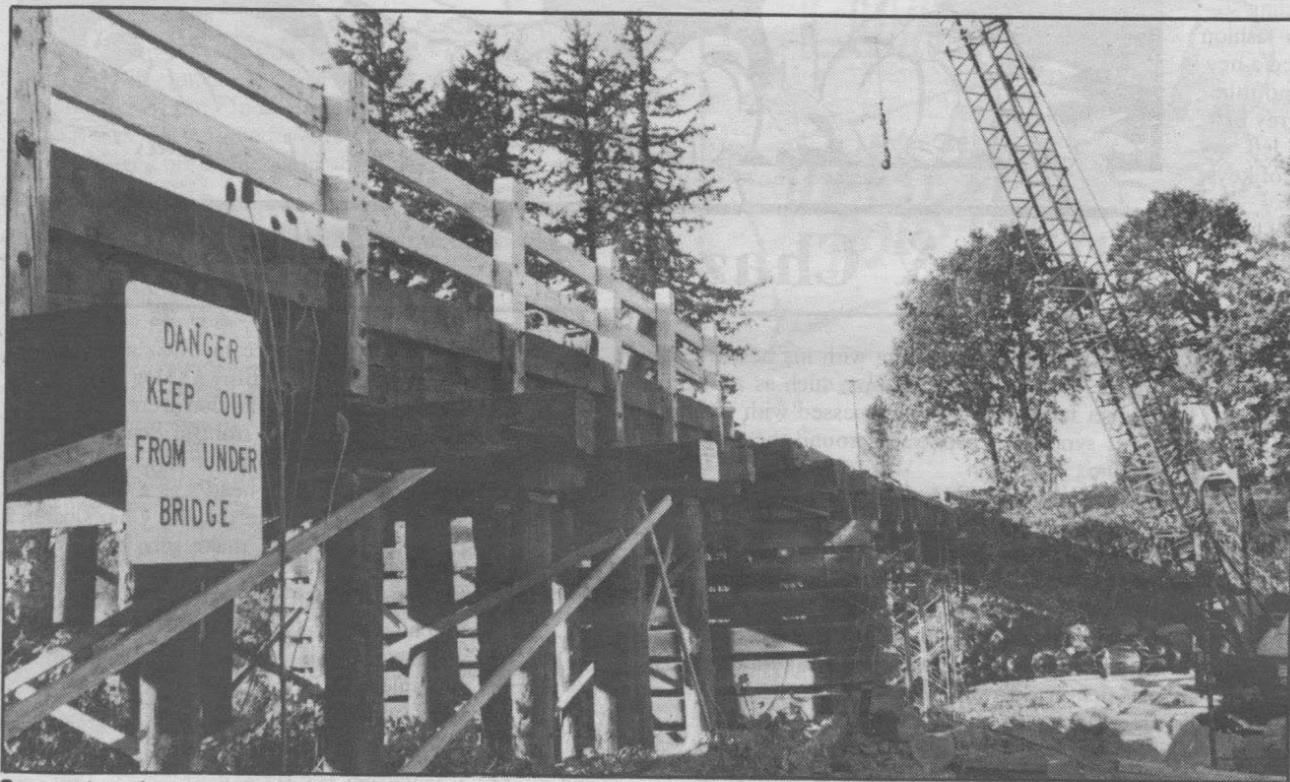


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Commuter photographer Randy Wriighthouse catches a fleeting glimpse of the Weddle Bridge that was dismantled last week.

Protestors fail to save Weddle Bridge

By Patricia MacDougall
Of The Commuter Staff

Four members of the Linn County Covered Bridge Association were fined \$77 each Friday for attempting to halt the dismantling of Weddle Bridge near Scio.

The four pled no contest to charges of disorderly conduct and second-degree criminal trespass, but the latter charge was dismissed.

On Oct. 5, Linn County deputies responded to a complaint against several picketers blocking the bridge that spanned Thomas Creek near Kelly Road in Scio. A few of the protestors were replacing boards that had been removed by workers from Hamilton Construction of Springfield, the contractor hired by the county. Most of the group complied with the deputies, but four refused to leave and were arrested.

The Sheriff's Department identified those arrested as Donald Rhodewalt, 61, of Scio; Paula McCloud, 31, also of Scio; Phyllis Blood, 60, of Lebanon; and Mary Hobson, 43, of Crabtree.

Released shortly after booking, the protestors subsequently picketed the Linn County Courthouse the following day, distributing pamphlets that charged the county with failure to preserve the bridge, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Despite their efforts, removal of the bridge was completed early last week.

Rodewalt, president of the covered bridge association, claimed that the county gave the sides and roof of the bridge to nearby farmers for firewood, rather than salvaging the materials for reconstruction.

However, Glenn Hossner, the county engineer, said the county followed the precedent set by the relocation of the Jordan Bridge near Stayton.

"We did not destroy the bridge," he contended. "The pieces (of the frame) were match marked" to facilitate reassembly.

Linn County commissioners voted 2-1 to remove the bridge to avoid a potential winter flood hazard. The bridge had been braced by scaffolding since June when a rotted support chord gave way.

Although the Weddle Bridge was only 50 years old,

county commissioners based their decision to remove it on the grounds that it had been closed to traffic for several years and that repair costs would exceed that of dismantling by roughly \$40,000.

George Hall, president of the Jordan Bridge Co., said that covered bridges require a great deal of maintenance and the bridges in that area are subjected to heavy log truck traffic.

"I don't blame them (Linn County commissioners) a bit for what they did. They had to get it out of there."

The Jordan Bridge Co., a private non-profit corporation, succeeded in rebuilding that bridge in Stayton's pioneer Park earlier this year. In that instance, Marion County agreed to move the bridge, while the United States Marine Corps Engineering Company "A" donated manpower and equipment. The volunteer effort limited the cost to roughly \$14,000 for materials and \$6,000 for promotional fund-raising.

Regarding the Weddle Bridge dilemma, Hall said, "If there was a reasonable effort to rebuild it in Linn County, we would support it."

Rhodewalt said Sunday that he would talk with a prospective county buyer for Weddle Bridge early this week. He also said the covered bridge association will be getting "more politically motivated," possibly sponsoring a political action committee.

Meanwhile, the controversy over Weddle Bridge spurred the state Legislature Emergency Board to approve a \$25,000 study of Oregon's covered bridges. The funding for the study will come out of the existing County Parks and Recreation budget. The study will assess the current condition of the state's remaining 50 covered bridges and determine their importance to transportation and tourism. The study will also determine what it will cost to maintain the bridges, and look for funding sources to pay for the repair.

"Covered bridges are important historic sites and tourist attractions," said State Senator Mae Yih, a member of the Emergency Board. "Oregon ranks fifth in the nation in number of standing covered bridges, and leads the Western states."

With the state taking part in long range preservation planning, Yih hopes to save the remaining bridges.

Local leaders look to collider for recovery

By Carolyn Halsey-Punteney
Of The Commuter Staff

The proposal to land the Superconducting Collider in Lebanon's backyard has been signed, sealed and delivered and Chamber of Commerce local business leaders feel good about what they have done to help get it here.

"All we can do now is wait and see what they decide—along with all the other states who want it," said Jack Thomas, a Lebanon car dealer who chaired the Chamber of Commerce's SSC subcommittee. The group of businessmen worked the past several months to promote the area to the U.S. Department of Energy, which is considering building the \$4.4 billion research project.

More than 30 states submitted bids to the USDOE before its Aug. 2 deadline. The USDOE reviewed and screened out proposals which did not meet their criteria. Remaining bids were sent to a panel from the National Academy of Engineering and Science, where they are now being studied.

"We made it through the initial review," Thomas said. "The academy's going to come up with a list of finalists by January."

"I feel positive we'll be on that final list," Thomas added.

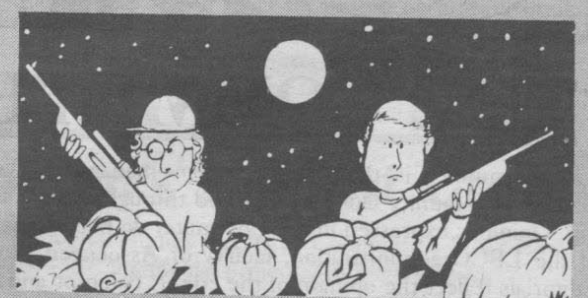
The list of finalists will be returned to the USDOE in January and will then be sent to the Secretary of Energy, who will name a preferred site by July 1988.

The federal secretary of energy will announce the final selection site for the SSC in January 1989, when construction would begin. It is scheduled to be operational by 1996, if approved by Congress.

"People should write to their state elected officials in Washington, D.C. now," Thomas urged. "Let them know we want it."

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Editorial

Fashionable thief hits locker; leaves briefs and bitterness

I am told that possession is nine-tenths of the law. I wish somebody would tell that to the scumbag who now posses the clothes stolen from my gym locker.

Last Friday I retreated to the locker room after a particularly grueling session of intermediate basketball only to find that someone with fashion sense equal to my own, had pillaged my locker. His booty included a new pair of shoes with dress socks, an "Alarm" tour jersey, a black and mint-green sweater, a pair of casual grey dress pants, and a matching grey belt.

Luckily the heathen did have some sense of decency; he left my Hawaiian boxer shorts and my car keys intact. I have a spare set of keys, but I am really attached to those skivies.

I guess I gave the thief an open invitation. I did neglect to lock my locker door. However, these are sad times indeed if the opportunity alone justifies the action. There is no justification for theft.

I don't suppose it matters to the degenerate who stole my clothes, but I did feel a strong sense of ownership to those clothes; no doubt the source of that feeling can be traced to the fact that I bought them.

They are gone forever now though, and I will have to learn to live with that fact.

My only consolation is the thought that one chilly day, when he is protected from the biting winter chill by the warmth of my clothing, he will slip on a thick puddle of ice and crack his skull into millions of tiny fragments.

Then while he is wallowing in agony and the blood is frothing in buckets from his mouth, he will be struck by a rapid moving semi-truck.

Perhaps after the driver has rolled all eighteen wheels over the mutilated corpse, he will find it in his heart to back up and see what the noise was.

If the gods are smiling, perhaps swarms of buzzards would feed eternally on his rotting flesh.

Until my budget allows me to replace those stolen articles of clothing, I will sleep easier at night pondering those thoughts

-Marco Coleman



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Razz & Chaz

Charry Brown sat talking with his best friend, Sinus. Among other hang ups, such as a security blanket fetish, Sinus was obsessed with the Santa Claus syndrome, especially around the Autumnal Equinox.

"On Halloween night," explained Sinus, "The Grape Pumpkin rises from the pumpkin patch to deliver candy and toys to all the good little boys and girls." There was doubt in his tone.

"You're so full of it," said Charry Brown. "Maybe you should go talk to your sister, Loosey the shrink." Sinus folded his blanket like a precious flag and marched toward the next rectangle in the comic strip.

Loosey was in her office but the sign said the doctor was out. Sinus rang the little bell. "Just a minute," said Loosey from the private room, "I'm with a patient." Sinus was in no mood for waiting so he departed. Strange. He could have sworn he heard piano music.

Sinus knew there was only one other place he could turn for help and it was on the other side of town, past Pighead's house. He dreaded passing by the thick stench even if Pighead seldom left the warmth and comfort of the septic tank. But today the rain had come, bringing mud and relief from the flies, so Pighead would be in the front yard, steaming like a seedy pile of pus. "Gag me!" thought Sinus.

Pighead was busy with a bucket of slop and Sinus was careful to walk on the opposite side of the street, so there was no confrontation. Soon Sinus found himself on the other side of the wrong side of the tracks where the pumpkin patch grew thick and wild like an unkept beard. Sinus felt a vine brush against his leg as he passed the fence. "It must have been the wind," thought Sinus, "Vines don't grab a person's leg." He clenched his blanket and quickened his pace.

There was no wind.

At the end of Pumpkin Road, looming like a monstrous castle laboratory was the summer home of Razz and Chaz. Sinus approached the gate slowly. "Why would anyone want to live here?" he asked himself, fearing the answer. The place was in ill repair. The fence was falling over, weeds and thistles towered like the walls of a terrible tunnel over a crumbling sidewalk. Sinus lifted the huge brass knocker and let it slam into the teeth of a tarnished lion. The sound echoed in the halls and through the shadowed valley but nobody answered the door.

Sinus bit his lip and turned the knob. He then swung the huge wooden door inward and ventured inside. It creaked like a laughing harpy and slammed like a coffin lid behind him. There was no turning back.

Sinus heard voices and saw a light at the far end of a cold, dark hallway. He tiptoed toward the unknown, singing some silly camp song until he reached a lighted doorway and peered within.

There in the smokey haze sat Razz and Chaz playing poker with Charry Brown's dog, the fifth Beatle, Scoopy. The diagonal-duo were stripped down to their underoos. In front of Scoopy was a large sum of money and a pile of valuable belongings. Perched on the dog's head was a yellow bird reading the fine print on the title for Chaz's car. "Woodstack," Scoopy said, "make sure it's got insurance too."

"Excuse me sirs," said Sinus, "I'm looking for Razz and Chaz."

The yellow bird pointed a wing and glanced across the table.

"That's us," said Razz.

"What can we do for you?" asked Chaz.

"It's about the Grape Pumpkin."

Razz and Chaz gasped! They knew the Grape Pumpkin was some sort of Halloween super-being and that it did not like to be tangled with. But this young lad with the folded flag was in trouble. How could they refuse to help out? "What's the problem, kid?"

"I have reason to believe," said Sinus, "that the Grape Pumpkin steals all the goodies he gives away."

"Hmmm, that's a serious accusation," said Chaz.

Sinus was serious. "For the last four years," he said, "I have been given the same wax whistle. I know because the second year, I took a bite out of it before it disappeared again. Every year I take another bite and every year the Grape Pumpkin brings it back!"

"That's not sanitary," said Razz.

"And it's gross too," said Chaz.

"It's got to stop," said Sinus.

"Just leave it to us," said Razz and Chaz.

"But you have no clothes," Sinus said.

By George the kid was right. What a tangled web.

"I'll make you both hunting outfits if you promise to blast that thieving gourd before it delivers more of its bounty."

"It's a deal," agreed the duo. Later that night Razz and Chaz waited in the pumpkin patch for the Grape Pumpkin to appear. In the deadly wierd mist and middle of the night they took turns watching. Then around 3 a.m. Razz saw a huge orange pumpkin soaring overhead. He pumped a shell into the chamber of his shotgun and nudged Chaz. "Wake up," he whispered, "The Grape Pumpkin is here." Chaz jumped to his feet and opened fire on the floating menace. It spewed air from the wound and shot around in circles until it came to rest a short distance away. Triumphant and victorious, the duo marched to the carcass.

"It's a balloon!" Chaz said in disbelief.

"There's a tag on the back," said Razz, "It says property of LBCC Student Council. We're in it deep this time!"

There was laughter in the sky as the Grape Pumpkin made its getaway.

High default rate dries up emergency loan fund

By Pete Kozak
Of The Commuter Staff

LBCC students in need of emergency cash are out of luck.

For the second time in four years, student defaults of loans have forced the cancellation, at least temporarily, of the school's emergency loan program.

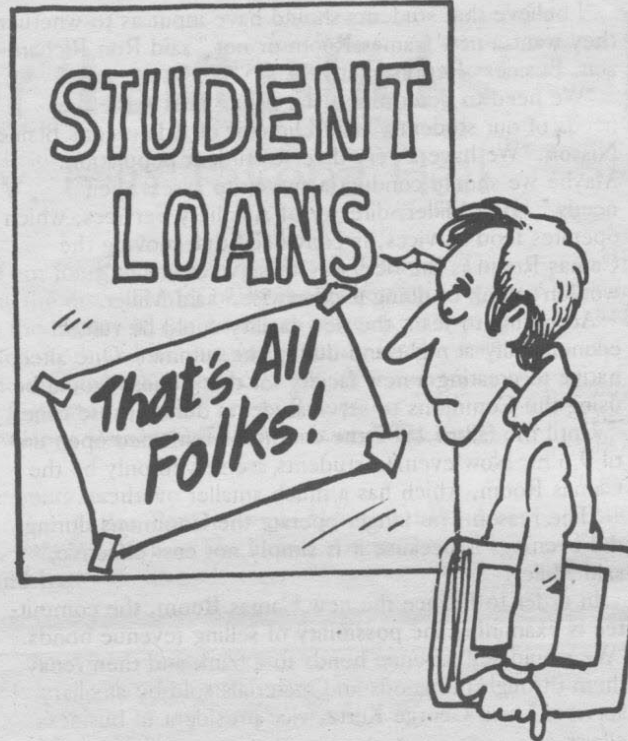
"Basically it boils down to the fact that we gave money out but people weren't paying it back," said Lance Popoff, Director of Financial Aid.

The fate of the Eldon Schafer Student Loan Fund, which was discontinued at the beginning of the summer term, hinges on the school's ability to collect the unpaid money, he said.

Popoff said the fund, named after the late Schafer, LBCC's first president, was intended to be a short term, one-time-only resource, providing up to \$75 to those temporarily in need.

Delinquent payments in excess of \$6,000 first caused cancellation of the emergency fund program in 1983, but it was resurrected two years later after the Board of Education agreed to clear its debt—through an infusion of general fund money—and revise its loan procedures. At the time, the board stipulated that the fund account, managed by the Financial Aid Office, keep a minimum balance of \$3,500, and that it be self-sustaining through loan-processing fees, late payment penalties and accrued interest in the account.

But many loans made since then have not been repaid. According to Popoff, nearly 13 percent of the 617 students who borrowed money last school year did not pay back their loan, resulting in a fund debt of over \$6,000. The spring term, was particularly bad, he noted, with 48 percent defaulting.



Efforts to collect the money are often unsuccessful because many who received loans have quit school and moved out of the area. One recourse the school does have is to refuse school services, such as the release of transcripts and verification of enrollment until the money is repaid. In addition, students wishing to re-enroll at LBCC must first settle their accounts before class registration is permitted. As a last resort, long-standing debts may be turned over to a collection agency.

Popoff said he expects funds from the LBCC Founda-

tion to help erase the loan program's deficit. However, unless additional money becomes available, he said the school will be forced to rely solely on its collection efforts to bring the fund over the necessary \$3,500 minimum and enable the loans to resume.

The LBCC Foundation, which makes contributions to a number of the school's organizations and programs, has in the past raised money for the emergency fund through events such as its Monte Carlo Night. But aside from what is presently earmarked for the loan program, the foundation "has no immediate plans" to initiate additional fund-raising activities, according to Peter Boyse, executive director of the foundation. He said the foundation simply does not have the resources to subsidize the fund.

The possibility that other funding sources might assist the ailing loan program was raised at the October meeting of the LBCC Faculty Association. According to Dale Troutman, the association's president, a suggestion was made that a portion of membership dues be channeled into the loan account. That proposal was tabled, however, until questions concerning how the fund is managed could be answered. While the issue will be considered at the next month's meeting, Troutman said he was reluctant to predict its outcome.

When enough money is collected to resume the loan program, Popoff said it will probably be necessary to tighten the loan process to better insure that those who borrow money can pay it back.

"If students don't improve on repayments, we may have to require co-signers" or restrict the loans "to those who can verify they have sufficient income to repay" he said.

While expressing concerns that such measures would pose an additional burden on those already facing financial difficulties, Popoff said some changes in the emergency loan program are inevitable—otherwise the fund may well end up in a similar predicament in the future.

Smoking areas shrink; machines gone

By Randy Wriighthouse
Of The Commuter Staff

Students returning to school this year are finding tighter restrictions for smokers on campus, with fewer designated areas to smoke in and no cigarette machines.

Spurred by complaints from workers in offices surrounding the College Center's lower and upper lobbies, the LBCC Presidents Council voted to suspend smoking in both lobbies, according to Bob Miller, director of auxiliary services at LBCC.

The complaints involved smoke drifting into offices surrounding the College Center's lobbies, he said. The lobbies changed to non-smoking areas just prior to the start of the 1987 fall term, Miller said.

LBCC's smoking policy is in compliance with the Oregon Indoor Clean Air Act. The act prohibits smoking in public buildings except in designated areas. Its purpose is to reduce the health hazard caused by inhaling the smoke of tobacco products in public buildings.

Another change that occurred just before fall term was the removal of all cigarette machines from campus and prohibiting the sale of cigarettes in the Camus Room.

The President's Council approved the removal of the machines and stopped the sale of cigarettes in the Camus Room in August, after a series of discussions by the

council that coincided with comments on the campus' Wellness Program, Miller said.

The cigarette machines were removed from campus more than 18 months after the Faculty Association first proposed the action to LBCC President Tom Gonzales. The association passed a resolution in January, 1986, recommending the sale of all tobacco products be prohibited and a ban on smoking indoors be enforced campus-wide, except in designated areas in the Commons.

In response Gonzales ordered the Faculty Users Committee to analyze the smoking ban issue and give their recommendations. The Faculty Users Committee included representatives from the Faculty Association, the Classified Association, the Wellness Committee and Management and Exempt Staff Association.

After receiving recommendations from the Committee, the President's Council designated 15 campus smoking areas. The designated smoking areas include a section of the Commons, and most lobbies, foyers, vestibules and waiting areas where signs are posted permitting smoking.

According to Ray Jean, director of facilities and head of the Faculty User's Committee at LBCC, no further changes in the smoking areas are being considered at this time.

Volunteers sought for Women's Support Group

The Women's Center is looking for peer advocates and volunteers to keep the center open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Duties of peer advocates include answering the telephone and talking with walk-ins about referral and support services on campus and within the community.

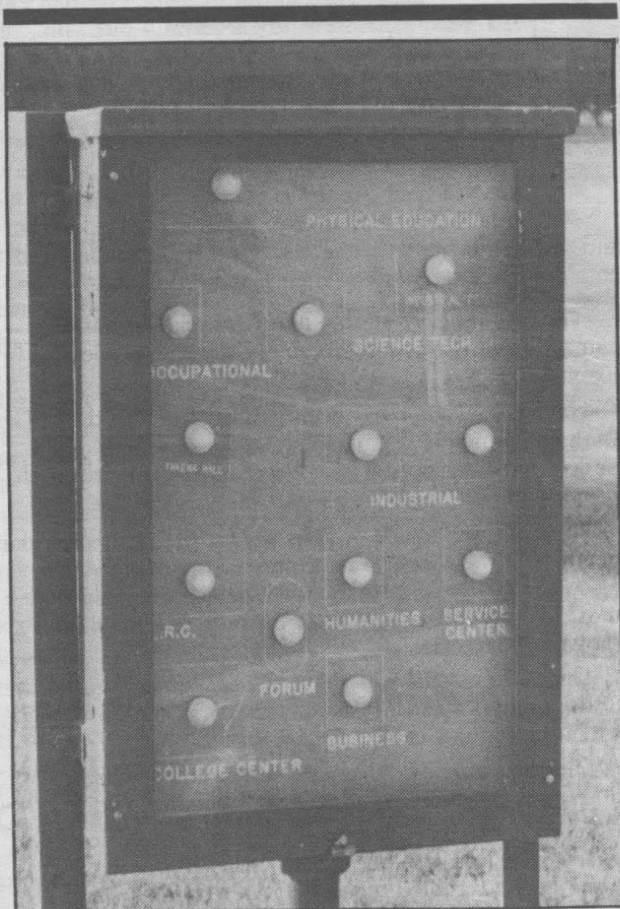
Volunteers go through three to five hours of training and work one to three hours in the center a week. Staff meetings are held every other week for on going training and support. Volunteers are encouraged to attend the Women's Support Group, which meets each Tuesday at noon. Through the center students can earn OSU

Women's Studies credits or Cooperative Work Experience for special projects, through LBCC.

Marian Roberts, program director said, The Women's Center is for all women, not just those in crisis. In addition to referral services, the center has a study room with a library and resource files, and a lounge, which has "the best coffee in campus," according to Roberts.

The center moved last year from Takena Hall to the west wing of the second floor of the Health Occupation Building.

"It's a wonderful facility," said Roberts. "But is not easily visible."



Pointless

The Commuter/MARY BETH BRASSILL

Aging directional signs around campus are losing their value and readability. Linn-Benton officials are currently considering designs and cost for new sidewalk directional signs. The actual installation of the directional signs is awhile off. The administration feels that the signs will be beneficial to newcomers, visitors and community users.

Camas Room may be moved to west end of Forum

By Marcó Coleman
Of The Commuter Staff

Linn-Benton's Facilities Users Group has resurfaced the idea of moving and enlarging the Camas Room. Administrators have been working on plans to make the Camas Room adequate for students for over three years. It currently seats 40 people, and has no space for a non-smoking area.

Last year the Facilities Users Committee developed two plans to solve the problem. One proposal investigated the possibility of enlarging the facility to the north. That proposal would have added more restroom facilities, an elevator and a balcony.

The other proposal is the one that the committee is most seriously discussing now. It suggests moving the Camas Room to the west end of the Forum.

The vacant space created in the old facility would be used to install an additional restroom and an elevator that would give handicapped students easier access to the upper level of Takena Hall.

"I think the new Camas Room will be aesthetically pleasing," said Ray Jean, chairman of the Facilities Users Committee. Seating is provided for 138 people in the preliminary design of the new snack room. The area where the Camas Room will be built all ready has a ceiling, which will save some money. Major expenditures will be seating, walls, cabinets and heating.

At its Oct. 6 meeting, the Facilities Users Committee discussed relocating the Camas Room, but took no action because no student council representatives were present.

"What we want to do is get the plans to student council, and then bring up the discussion again at the Nov. 3 meeting," said Jean.

Student council voiced interest in being involved in the discussion in a memo sent to the president's office on Oct. 22. The memo stated that council members were concerned about not being informed of the committee's intentions, and how the move would affect students.

"I believe that students should have input as to whether they want a new Camas Room or not," said Ron Richardson, Business Representative.

"We need to determine what would best serve the needs of our students," said Director of Admissions Blaine Nisson. "We have a very diverse student population. Maybe we should conduct a survey to assess their needs." Bob Miller, director of Auxiliary Services, which operates food services, is convinced that moving the Camas Room is the best way to serve student. "I wouldn't think of doing it otherwise," said Miller.

According to Jean, the new facility could be run economically at night and during the summer. One alternative to creating a new facility for that purpose would be using the Commons to serve students during those times.

Until the fall of 1982 the commons remained open until 9 p.m. Now evening students are served only by the Camas Room, which has a much smaller overhead.

"The reason I no longer operate the Commons during the evenings is because it is simply not cost effective," said Miller.

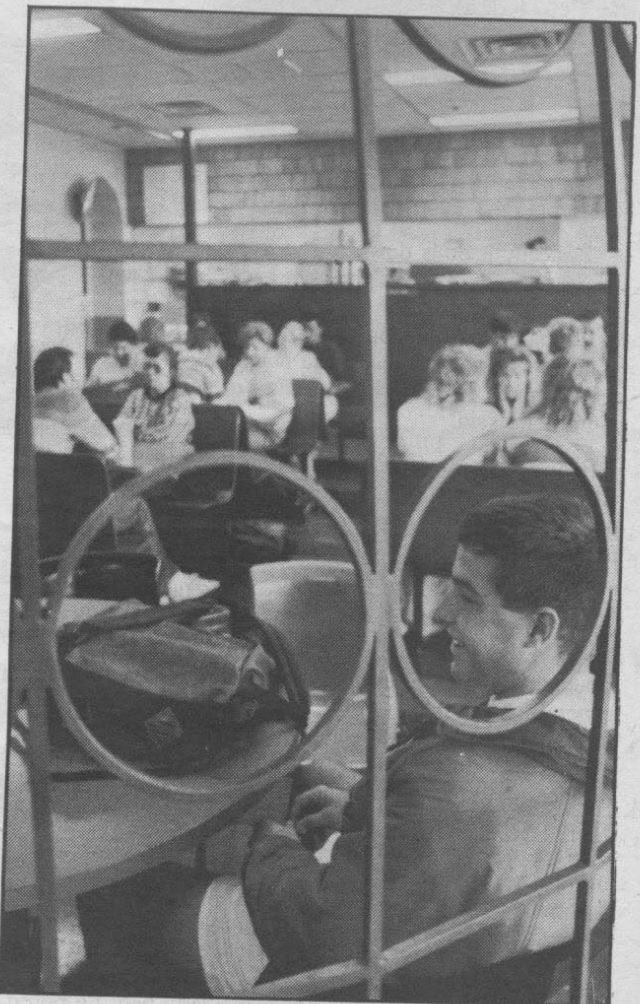
In order to finance the new Camas Room, the committee is examining the possibility of selling revenue bonds. "We would sell revenue bonds to a bank and then repay them through the goods and materials sold by auxiliary services," said George Kurtz, vice president of business affairs.

Miller said that the move could be financed by the auxiliary fund, which is generated through book store and food service sales. However, he said he would like to avoid that option.

"Why spend all the money that you have at the end of the year, when you can borrow and make arrangements to pay back? That way you do not deplete your funds and you have capital to reinvest," said Miller.

According to Jean, the plans at this point are in preliminary stages, and are very flexible.

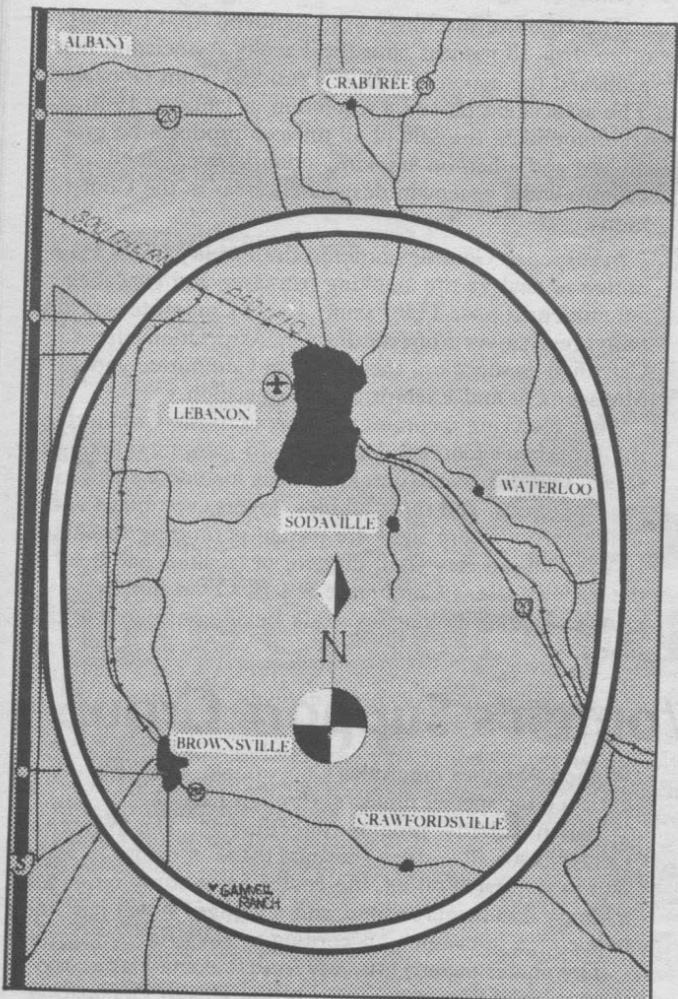
"We will definitely do it; if not this year, maybe next year or the next one after that," said Jean.



The Commuter/DAVID GRUBBS

Students relax in Camas Room, LBCC's mini-eatery, which may be moved near the Forum.

From Page 1: Lebanon competes with 40 national sites for collider



The Commuter/PATRICK GAMMELL

The proposed site for the Superconducting Super Collider would encircle Lebanon and Brownsville.

Writing their elected officials was the final project the committee members undertook to promote the area as the site of the SSC.

Earlier chamber committee efforts included making up information packets for distribution to area businesses; obtaining 1,350 signatures on a petition sent to the governor; a letter-to-the-editor drive; a town meeting; and the creation of a speaker's bureau.

Over 40 sites in 30 states have been presented as possible locations for the SSC. Some states, such as California and Oregon, have proposed two sites. The other Oregon site is in the Hermiston-Boardman area.

The mid-valley site is east of Interstate 5 and encircles Lebanon and Brownsville.

Although there are existing facilities like the SSC, none are as large as the one now being planned. It will be the world's most energetic particle accelerator. Its design will enable its superconducting magnets to produce more energy than ever possible before, say current scientific journals. It will require an underground oval tunnel 52-60 miles in circumference.

Thomas said billions of dollars will be brought into the area chosen as the site, and thousands of jobs of every skill level will be created during its construction. He explained that secondary businesses will flourish before and after it is built, and local universities and community colleges will benefit by the presence of renowned scientists working with the project.

Site selection lists scientific, technological and logistical criteria. The governor's task force that prepared the state's proposals stated in its report that: "... (Some) criteria are based on fact; others are based on judgement or perception. Thus, it is difficult to weigh each equally, or to know how each will factor into the final federal decision."

Costs of construction, geotechnical consideration, transportation availability, water supply, support from other states, and community support were among things listed by the Task Force as important to site selection.

"We passed all their geological tests," Thomas said. Selection will also depend upon nearness to population and research centers that can house, school, support and employ SSC scientists and their families, he said.

"They would have all that here," he said, "and our climate couldn't be more liveable. People would love to live here."

Thomas said there has been no opposition to the SSC from environmentalist groups because "everything's underground" except for a 350-acre campus-like research center and entry points a various sites around the ring.

The SSC will collide protons against protons within the confines of the tunnel with a total energy of 40 trillion electron-volts. Scientists then will be able to study the most microscopic structures of matter in the resulting shower of particles.

The 30-foot soil cover above the tunnel and the width of the tunnel's wall will ensure against radiation escaping when the protons collide, Thomas said.

The process is the "cleanest, most non-polluting industry anyone could come up with," Thomas said.

According to current scientific writings, the discovery of superconductivity—the quality many metals assume when they are cooled to temperatures within several degrees of absolute zero—will lead to incredible savings in energy. As the metals approach 0 Kelvin, they are able to carry currents without loss of energy and, in some cases, to generate immensely powerful magnetic fields.

Recent science journals tell of continued breakthroughs in superconductivity as research in it goes on. They see the SSC as a safe tool of study and the only criticism they have of its construction now concerns the fact that more metals have been found to be highly conductive at warmer degrees. These scientists advocate a delay in construction of the SSC until more is known, so its design will include everything possible for the best research.

Spotlight

Tickets go on sale for 'Fantasticks'

Mainstage musical opens Nov. 6 in Tadena Hall

Tickets are now available for LBCC's fall Mainstage production of "The Fantasticks," a musical fantasy.

The play is directed by Robert Hirsh, LBCC's Director of Theater, with musical direction by Hal Eastburn, vocal director at the college.

"The Fantasticks" will be presented Nov. 6, 7, 13, 14, and 21 at 8:15 p.m., and Nov. 8, 15, and 22 at 2:15 p.m.

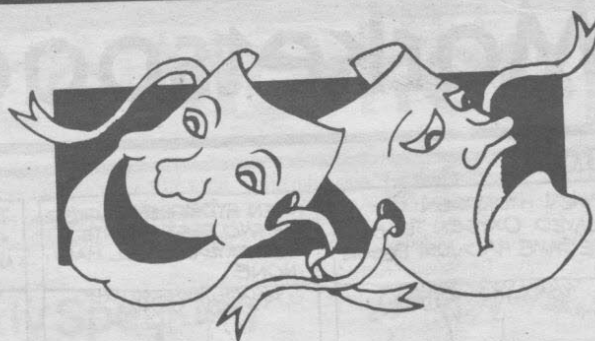
The story is about young love, parents, the world and human nature—but most of all about young love. It is based on a play by Edmond Rostand, with book and

lyrics by Tom Jones and music by Harvey Schmidt. This musical has the distinction of being the longest running musical in the history of the American stage. It opened in 1960 in New York and has run continuously for 27 years in the same off-Broadway theater.

Musical highlights include "Try to Remember," "I Think It's Gonna Rain" and "It Depends on What You Pay."

Cast members include:

—From Albany: Ben Bonnlander as Henry, Ed Pond as Mortimer, Paul Pritchard as Hucklebee, Gene ShROUT as Bellemy and Kathy Smith as Luisa.



—From Corvallis: Sara Sheldrick as Mute, and David Snider as Matt

—From Salem: Bruce Blanchard as El Gallo

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$5 for children, LBCC students and seniors. Advance tickets are available from The Inkwell in Corvallis; French's in Albany; and LBCC's Mainstage Box Office in Tadena Hall.

Season tickets may still be purchased for "The Fantasticks," "Painting Churches," "Charlotte's Web" and "Tartuffe" by calling the Mainstage Box Office 24 hours a day at 967-6504.

Mirrors, margaritas make Celebrities hot

Chuk Bacon
The Commuter Staff

Albany's newest hot spot, "Celebrities" might prove to be a booze bargain bonanza. Throughout the month of October the former T&R Lounge at 3410 Spicer Rd. has been offering different drinks at low prices, depending on which nights you choose a party.

Wednesday is Ladies Night. Ladies pay \$2 at the door and get well drinks, wine and beer for 25 cents. They call Thursday "South of the Boarder Night" because margaritas and sunrises are only a dollar. Ole! From 11:30 a.m. to closing on Mondays any drink you order is \$1.50. Tuesday is suds day. All tap beer is only 50 cents.

A well dressed DJ spins your musical request nightly. They have a dance floor and dual, wide-screen video viewing. On Sunday nights the "Battle of the Air Bands," rocks the house. There is so much fun to be had seven days a week until 2 a.m. that only a Halloween Bash, would top the festivities. Manager Scott Hanan has such a bash planned for Oct. 31.

We sent a crack team of specialists to this dance-bar haven just to give the place a good going over. The verdict was this. Price breaks on drinks plus good music and a few friends equals a night of laughs. The special \$1.50 price for any drink does not include doubles. Doubles are most double at \$3. This was the only loophole our special forces unit uncovered.

With prices like these it is easy to overdo things. A cocktail waitress was overheard asking an overindulgent customer if they were planning on driving home. They really look out for you. The seasonal decoration and the Sunday contest will change next month but the special discount nights will remain pretty much the same. "Celebrities" claim they are "the place to be" and perhaps they are right. Time to send out the specialists again.



The Commuter/RANDY WRIGHTHOUSE

Thomas DeMartino and Gary Lear sit below the \$175 pumpkin balloon ASLBCC bought to promote "Halloweek."

Dance, contests highlight Halloween

By Danielle Park
Of The Commuter Staff

LBCC will celebrate Halloween with a dance, a pumpkin carving contest, a costume competition and office decorations this Friday.

According to Activities Chairman Tammi Paul, a dance will be held in the Commons from 8:30 p.m.-Midnight Friday. Admission is free if you wear a costume or bring a can of food. Otherwise, admission is \$1.50.

Paul said a haunted-house maze will be at the entrance to the dance and there will also be food.

The band "Two Much" will perform Top 40 hits throughout the dance, which is open to LBCC students and guests. However, students are limited to one guest only, Paul said.

A costume contest will be held during the dance, with judges looking for the funniest, scariest, most realistic, most unusual, most revealing, best couple, and best overall costumes. Prizes, including gift certificates will be awarded to the winners.

Movies will also be shown in the Fireside room from 8:30 p.m.-midnight.

During the day, a pumpkin-carving contest will be conducted in the Commons from 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Judging will be held at 1 p.m. Pumpkins, carving tools and marking pens will be provided.

Among other Halloween functions is the office decoration and dress-up contest for the LBCC staff. Judges will go from room to room to determine the winners.

Graphics Club plans sale of fine art posters

By Jim Finch
Of The Commuter Staff

The LBCC Graphics Club will hold a fund-raising poster sale Nov. 2 through 6.

The posters will be displayed all week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Humanities Gallery, located on the main Albany campus.

A bake sale, also sponsored by the Graphics Club, will be held in the gallery on Nov. 4, according to Joni Olsen, Graphics Club president.

Deadline for ordering the posters will be Nov. 6 at 5 p.m. The Posters can then be picked up on Nov. 16.

Commercial, fine-art and photographic prints will be available during the sale, said Olsen.

There will be 202 different prints available, according to John Aikman, graphics instructor and club advisor.

The cost of the prints varies from \$2-\$11, and fine art postcards will be sold for 50 cents.

"The emphasis on the fine art prints is the 20th Century," explained Aikman. "The oldest artist offered is Rembrandt, and other artists include Monet, Picasso and several contemporaries."

Money made from the poster sale will go into the Graphics Club fund, which supports an emergency loan fund and the purchase of supplies and equipment. A scholarship fund for graphics students is also under consideration.

"The Graphics Department and the Graphics Club are working together on starting a scholarship," according to

Aikman. "We would like to get enough money together to make a base, which we could use the interest off of to provide a second-year student with a scholarship."

The club's emergency loan fund provides up to \$100 a term for students to borrow, Olsen said. "We let them borrow the money on their signature, and require the money to be paid back before the end of the term," he explained.

The poster sale was not held last year, but in the past has been a "big money maker" for the club, Olsen said.

The Club will show a movie on Oct. 30 from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in F 109. The title is undecided, but it will deal with the arts, said Olsen. Admission will be free.

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movie will be shown at LBCC in Tickets are available in advance at n's Sporting Goods for \$4 each. will also be available at the door for

ceeds from the showing of "White Heat" go to the Lewis and Clark, March of Dimes, to help fund local as aimed at preventing birth defects birthweight.

Concert Band

Musicians who play clarinets, oboes, saxophones and French Horns are needed to fill out the LBCC Concert Band.

The volunteer musical group meets each second and fourth Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at West Albany High School. Sectional practice is held on the first

and third Thursday of each month in room 213 of the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Building on the main LBCC campus in Albany. Tuition is free unless transfer credit is requested.

The annual "Pops" concert will be presented at the Albany Elks Lodge, Saturday, Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. For more information contact Ted Deems, 926-3522, or call LBCC's Albany Center, 967-6108.

Arts in Albany

What can you do for the Arts in Albany? A discussion about the fine arts, the performing arts and the arts in general will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Oct. 26 in Fellowship Hall, United Presbyterian Church of Albany at Fifth and Broadalbin.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in the future of the arts in Albany. Sponsored by the Creative Arts Guild. Board of Directors are Jane Marshall, Mildred Nelson, Connie Petty, Dean Sartain, Jim Tolbert, Jerry Wilkin. Call 928-2999 for information.

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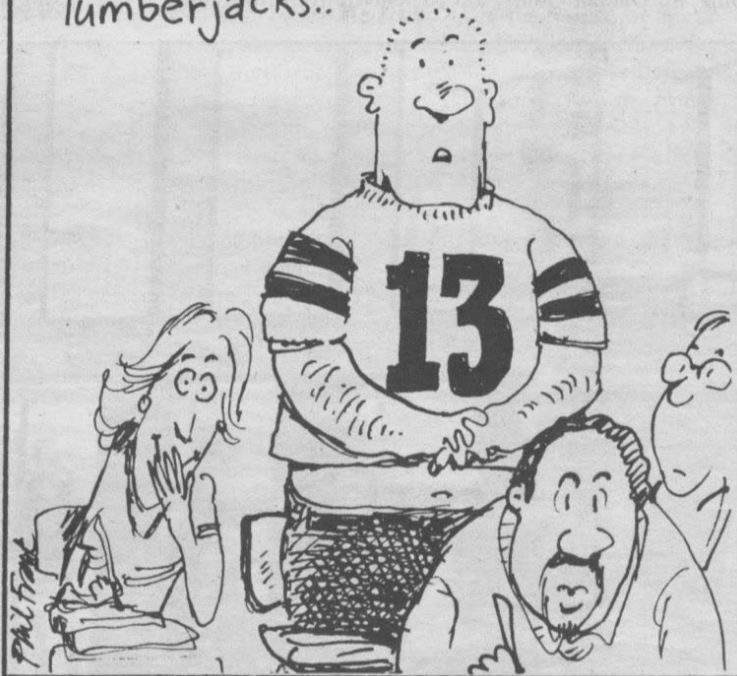
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This is a savings ranging from \$17-\$108. Check the campus bulletin boards for a list of programs and facilities included in your membership. For more information, contact the YMCA at 926-4488. This offer expires Nov. 14.

Frankly Speaking

by Phil Frank

The meaning of "Logarithm"?
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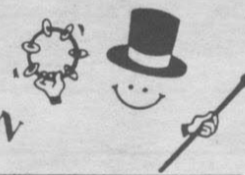
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Wellman praises ability, hustle

Men's hoop team opens practice for new season

By Richard Meek
Of The Commuter Staff

The 1987-88 men's basketball season is just around the corner and first-year head coach Alan Wellman likes what he has seen in the early practices.

"These guys have good athletic ability. They run well and play aggressively. They're working hard and hustling," said Wellman.

This year brings many new faces to the court. The team has only one returning player, 6'9" center Jeff Stevens, who averaged nine points and nine rebounds last year.

New players who have looked impressive in the early going are Gamail Goins, a 5'10" Guard from Milwaukee

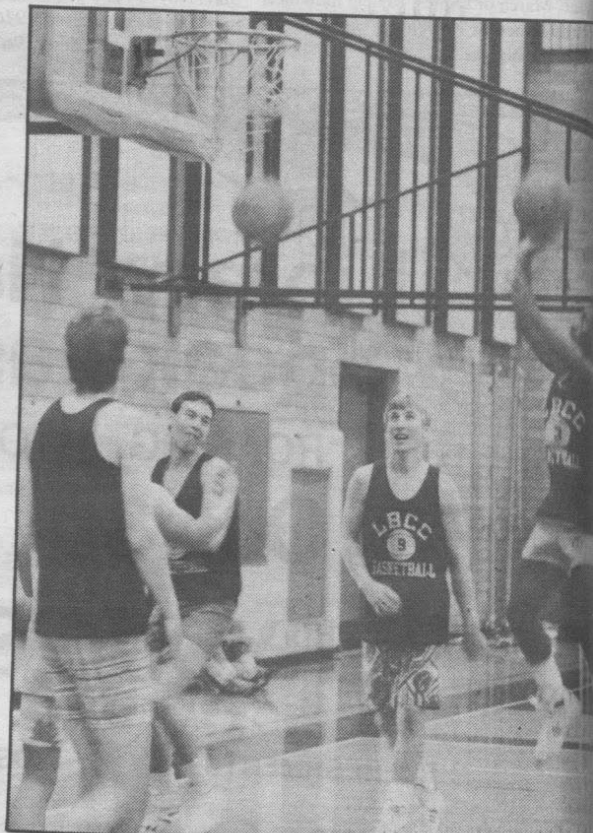
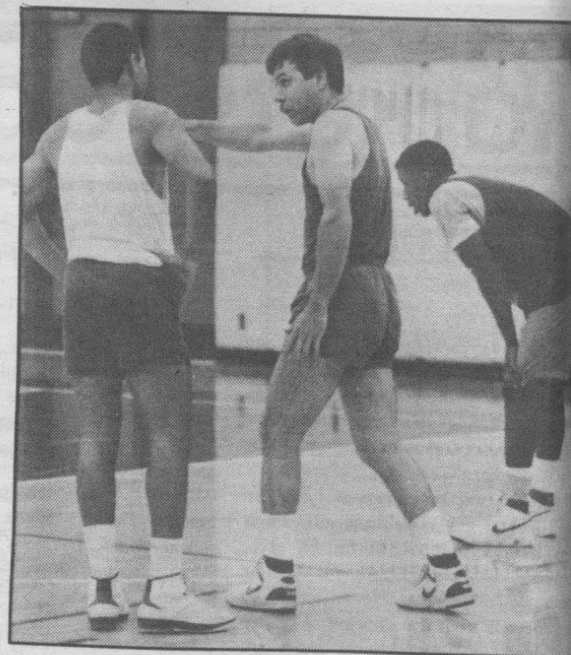
Wis.; Time Fitzpatrick a 6'5" transfer from U of O; 6'4" wing Mike Burrell; and Chris Doscher, a 6'6" post from Elmyra, Ore.

Wellman said he wants to take the season one game at a time and improve on fundamentals skills. "If we play well every game, will be looking at the playoffs," said Wellman.

After posting a 3-11 league record last year, Wellman wants to bring respect to the LBCC basketball program.

"I feel good about going into battle with these guys," said Wellman.

The men will get their first test Nov. 28 in an eight-team tournament at Lower Columbia College, in Longview, Wash.



LBCC's men's basketball team goes through drills as practice begins. Top right, Gamil Goins receives instructions from Coach Alan Wellman as Marcus Washington

takes a breather. Right, John Waller, Mike Loftis, Don Henderson and Rodney Howard practice jump-shots.

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Spikers dump Western Baptist

Powell leads team to fifth victory with 17 kills in non-league match

By John Sullivan
Of The Commuter Staff

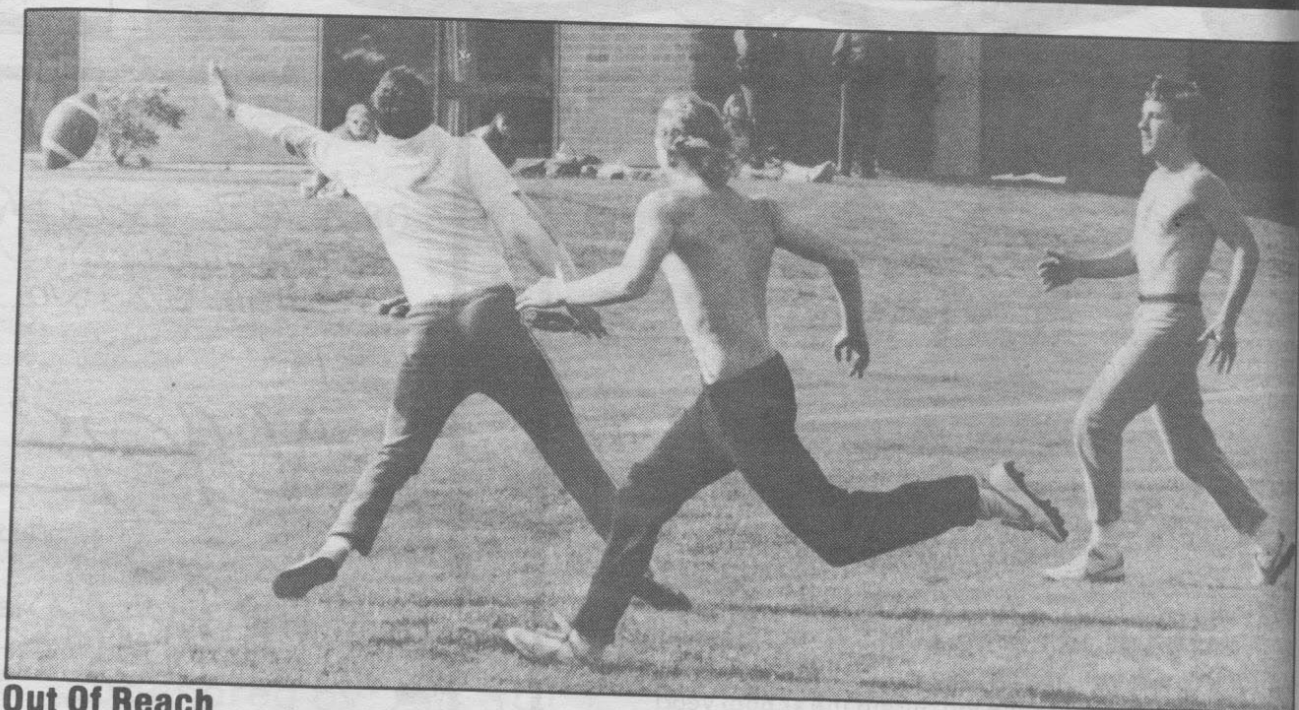
The LBCC women's volleyball team handed Western Baptist a 3-2 loss in last Friday's non-conference match.

Led by Andrea Powell, who registered 17 kills, the Roadrunners moved their overall record to 5-8 with the 15-13, 4-15, 15-12, 9-15, 15-8 win.

Impressed with his troops' efforts at times, LBCC coach Kevin Robbins also found times to be a little uneasy.

"We were kind of off and on. At times we played great and at other times we couldn't even pass the ball," he said.

Robbins noted the hustle and all-around play of defensive specialist Lisa Bond for LBCC. The team resumes action on Wednesday in Oregon City, when they take on Clackamas Community College in a league match. The Roadrunners are now 5-8 overall and 2-4 in league play.



Out Of Reach

Albino receiver Matt Rasmussen can't quite reach the ball in a recent intramural practice game. The intramural season is in jeopardy of folding unless participation picks up.