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O'Brien Gonzales named student activities coordinator

By Annette Krussow
Managing Editor

Nursing instructor Ann O'Brien Gonzales has been appointed to fill the position of Coordinator of Student Activities for the 1986-87 school year.

O'Brien Gonzales was appointed last week to temporarily fill the position left vacant with the late resignation of Mary Coleman who had to leave because of "a family crisis," according to ASLBCC council member Joyce Quinnett.

Blaine Nisson, director of Admissions, Records and Student Programs, said the qualities that stood out in O'Brien Gonzales was her established record working with students and her involvement with the Perspective Nurses Club on campus giving her the experience of working in extra curricular activities.

But, according to Nisson, the quality that overall impressed the committee that hired her was her warmth and concern for students. "I think students will enjoy working with her," Nisson said.

O'Brien Gonzales said her experience in nursing and working with students helped her get the position. She said they do a lot of one on one work and a lot of problem solving. She said she is used to working in a "crisis situation."

The position was opened as a professional development opportunity to contracted staff and faculty after the school could not find anybody outside the college with the "unique qualifications" they were looking for, according to Jon Carnahan, vice president of Instruction.

A number of well qualified people applied, Carnahan said, but none had the background they were looking for.

In order to hire someone on a long term, permanent basis the college was looking for someone who had a background working with a diverse population on the student body, said Carnahan.

Although they knew they would not find somebody with the specific qualities they were looking for inside the school, Carnahan said they were looking for someone with interests and experience of leadership of students.

Nisson said O'Brien Gonzales can give the strong leadership the program needs. She can "foster the development of leadership" of the students in the activities office with her "warmth and caring" attitude.

She said she should be moved into her new office in student programs by Monday. O'Brien Gonzales said she applied for the position because she is working toward a PhD in adult education and is considering working in student services. "It's a good chance to see if it's what I want."

She said "it's going to be a real switch" from nursing.

After her year is up in June O'Brien Gonzales will have the option of going back to her teaching position on a permanent basis. O'Brien Gonzales said she had no plans to go in and change things around but she does plan to work on expanding the health fair during spring days and issues related to health insurance for students.

"I am very excited to have her" working in the office, Nisson said. "I think she will do an outstanding job," he said.



Ann O'Brien Gonzales has switched hats from nursing instructor to activities coordinator.

Livestock team takes 4th at SF

Students prepare for national meet in Denver

By Vera Larsen
Staff Writer

The LBCC Livestock Judging Team capped off its fall season with a fourth place finish at the Grand National Livestock Judging contest in San Francisco last weekend.

"It was very close," said Bruce Moos, one of the coaches of the team, pointing out the few points difference between second, third and fourth. "We did a good job," he said.

Twelve schools and 64 people competed in the contest. LBCC's team came in first in sheep, fifth in beef and sixth in reasons.

LBCC's top scorers were Mitch Coleman who came in third overall, and Lynn Davidson, twelfth overall.

Contests consist of assessing sheep, hogs and beef, and ranking them according to good and bad characteristics. Students then give an oral justification for their placements to the contest judges.

Students' scores are compared with the expert livestock judges, and scored on how closely they match. The experts score each team member based on his or her oral reasons. Those scores are added together to determine the winning team.

Taking first in three major contests this fall in Fresno, Chico and Portland, the team improved its score each time. Team members have already won 19 trophies, eight

plaques, and 11 plates this year. "We don't know where we're going to put anymore," said Moos, pointing to the full trophy case on the second floor of the Science Technology Building.

The top three scorers this year have been: Mitch Coleman, who is a student representative and Philomath resident; Lynn Davidson, also a student representative, and resident of White City; and Rod Dows of Terrebonne. Other members of the second year group are: Wendy Russell, Lisa Charpillioz, Scott Wallis, Tim Heater and Kami Wheeler.

Due to the coordinated efforts of coaches Bruce Moos and Jim Lucas, LBCC's team is the only school on the West Coast to be invited back every January to compete against the top 28 schools in the Denver competition.

With all the past success, this has been the most successful year ever, according to Moos. "The students have worked hard as individuals, and applied themselves," he said.

"We get them as kids and send them out as adults," said Moos. "They learn to think on their feet, communicate, develop self confidence, encounter new situations and handle stress. It's a powerful educational tool, and one that can't be duplicated in the classroom. Some students will go into teaching, marketing or economics, but whatever they do, their experience in livestock judging will help them the rest of their life."

LB gets new electrical system; causes clocks to malfunction

By Louisa Christensen
Feature Editor

Relying on the accuracy of LBCC's clocks, some students ended up in class an hour early on Monday.

The clocks were an hour off because Pacific Power and Light hooked up a new set of electrical lines through campus on Sunday, said Kevin Nicholson, supervisor of maintenance and grounds.

This new electrical system will backup the old lines during a power failure, like the one that closed the school for a day, two weeks ago. The old power lines now have new in-

stallation but over time it may corrode again. If this or any other malfunction occurs the school's power will be switched over to the new line, Nicholson said. The new line will ensure that the power will be off for less than an hour if there is a malfunction. "This is a matter of minutes versus hours," he said.

Nicholson's "master" clock is displaying correct time and so are most "slave" clocks on campus but some clocks may still be a few minutes off Nicholson said. The thirteen or fourteen year old system will take a few days to get back to normal.

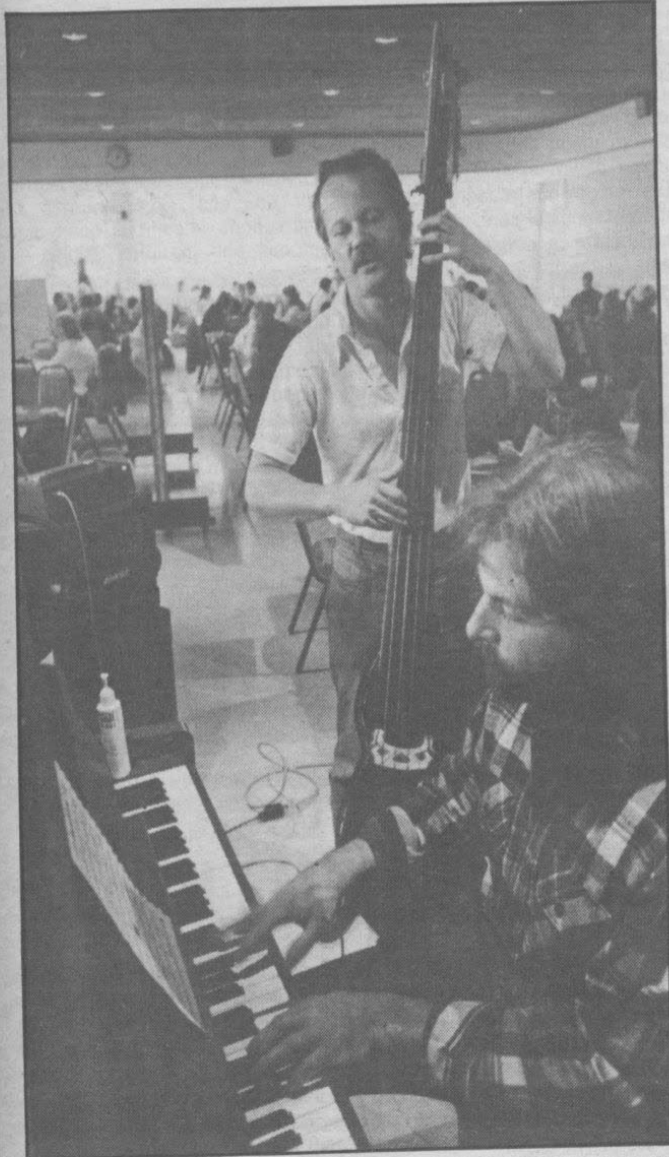


Photo by Dave Grubbs

Play It Again, Steve

A jazz duo featuring Steve Dickenson on the piano entertained diners in the Commons last week. The show was sponsored by ASLBCC.

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Guest Column

Student follows red tape trail through 'Special Admissions'

By Wanda Hollaway
Staff Writer

Because I enrolled at LBCC on the last day of registration, I was admitted as a 'Special Admissions' and was told that the designation would stay until I went through Orientation on October 16.

The person in Admissions curled her lip with contempt when she said "Special Admissions." I didn't ask her what it was, I just knew I wanted to get rid of it as quickly as possible.

When the momentous day arrived, I began looking for room T217A. After 15 minutes of searching I decided that is what Orientation meant. They wanted to know if I am oriented enough to find a nonexistent room. I found it (go through the front door of T217 and ask someone).

No one was in the room. Maybe the lady in T217 was having fun. Finally three more students and two student advisors show up. We waited some more. Penny Brumbaugh had 29 more "Special Admissions" scheduled for this session and 33 for the one following. No one else showed up.

We watched a film showing us how to register. I felt like I was in a time warp. When I leave this windowless room I will be back to September 29th and I haven't been in school for three weeks. I develop a case of claustrophobia.

After the film, Penny ran through the packet of information about the services available on campus. Hey! I didn't know about the Dental Center.

A half hour and we're free to go. I asked Penny what will happen to those who didn't show. She says that the computer will be coded and won't let them register next term until they finish the requirement of Orientation.

Imagine! I get to register by appointment next term but there are a bunch of "Special Admissions" people running around our campus who are in for a big surprise!

I waited around to see if the other group showed up. They didn't.

Street Beat

What do you think about Ballot Measure 5: Legalizing marijuana for personal use?



Art Bervin, English instructor

"I tend to be uncomfortable with the idea. I generally don't favor the use of marijuana. I think it (the measure) just causes more problems for control."



Otis Gray, theater

"I believe that it should be the people's choice whether or not to smoke pot, just as it is whether to drink alcohol. I don't see the difference between marijuana or alcohol addiction."



Amanda Burks, business

"I don't agree with it. I think it messes up your brain. They have it already, I don't see why it has to be legalized."



Court Smith, refrigeration

"I'm tired of the government interfering with the small stuff. I think that by keeping the marijuana illegal they're just driving up the price and making the Mafia rich. I resent the government thinking it can tell one what to do, when to do it and how to do it in their own home."

Compiled by Todd Powell and Keith Rude

Letters

Fetuses not living until brain waves

To the Editor:

The issue surrounding abortion has many complex factors. In the first place, I prefer to believe that abortion is permissible before the eighth week when brain activity becomes recordable. If we declare people dead as the result of a lack of brain waves, then in my thinking, fetuses are not living creatures until their brain waves begin. As controversial as this may be, it conflicts with the fundamental view that life begins with conception.

Now before I continue, let me make it clear that abortions should never be used simply as a birth control alternative, and although I do not like the process at all, the ultimate decision rests with the individual. For me, or any other person to attempt to force their beliefs on women by insisting they carry to term, in all cases, is absurd.

In his editorial in the Commuter, Mr. Powell uses eagles and acorns evolving into trees as comparisons to human life. On this issue, how we handle eagle eggs cannot be correlated with a process experienced by thinking, rationalizing human beings.

In cases of rape, and they do occasionally result in pregnancy, Mr. Powell says that he could never tell a rape victim to love and cherish her baby. Could he tell her that, yes, you must carry this baby to term? I could not.

Next he brings up the Pro-Choice argument that if an unwanted baby is kept, it will be battered and abused. I will defend this by stating my concern that even if not physically and/or sexually abused, what long-term damage is done to the unwanted child mental-

ly and emotionally? Will this show up later in the form of criminal behavior? It is possible. Just add poverty and observe.

Back-Alley abortions do cost lives. Mr. Powell states that 160 deaths occurred in 1967, as listed by the federal government. You can bet there were more unreported. Even one death from this kind of abortion is excessive. There should be alternatives to this dangerous practice.

Coincidentally, Ballot Measure 6, if passed, will prevent poor women from receiving abortions at taxpayers expense. Will these women forfeit their lives in seeking back-alley abortions or will they decide to give birth, also at taxpayers expense? The measure is discriminatory to the poor and ultimately more expensive, in the long run, if you view this measure on a pure money basis. As distasteful as it is to mix money questions and life, will we be forced to pay for the upbringing of these kids? Are there enough people out here wanting to adopt? I doubt it.

In closing, let me say that the decision to abort or not must be individually decided, based on your own morality and combined with all the factors such as financial and environmental.

Anyway, our opinions do not really matter Mr. Powell, because in the end, the woman will decide and for us to debate or speculate is folly.

Al Olson

Oops!

Apologies to French's Jewelers, a long time ticket outlet for LBCC sponsored events—not the "Friendship Jewelers" printed in last week's issue.

Overlooked was the presentation dates for Readers Theatre "Lofty Levity," Nov. 7-8 at 8:15 p.m. and Nov. 2 at 12 p.m.

Wah Chang story unfair to Forelaws

To the Editor:

Two points should clear up any erroneous impression that may have been left by the article in the Oct. 8th issue on Wah Chang, and ballot measure 15: First, ballot measure 15 is supported by lots of local people—people from Albany, Corvallis, Tangent, Monroe, Sweet Home and other towns closer than Portland who do not want Wah Chang's sludge so close to the river. Second, I'm sure Lloyd Marbet and Fore-Laws on Board have much more reasonable and coherent reasons for supporting Ballot Measure 15 than that they "don't want to jump on the bandwagon," as they were quoted as saying. So why weren't those reasons reported in the article? Could there be some bias involved. No one expects Wah Chang or Fore-Laws to tell both sides—we do expect the Commuter to do so.

Marie Parcell
former LBCC student
OSU journalism major

Abortion remains valuable alternative

To the Editor:

Abortion may not be an alternative to you, but it is to millions of women. Abortion represents different things to different people and is a very personal issue that cannot be presented factually or without emotional biases. The lives of the 160 women who died were just as important as the 1.3 million babies. You can't measure human life in statistics. The illegal

abortion is getting more publicity because many more women have died from them. Legalizing abortion does cut down on abortion related deaths for obvious reasons such as competent medical care.

The insurance policy idea would depend on the insurance and so far every method of birth control we have available has its risks and flaws. What good is insurance that doesn't give adequate coverage? Let us not forget also that only the female population would be required to obtain this insurance because ultimately it is her body that brings forth new life.

I feel women have a right to choose what they do with their bodies and resent being told by the medical field, legislation and media how or what choices I will have.

I want my right to choose, whether I exercise it or not! Abortions, legal or illegal, and however they are funded, will continue because courageous women will demand to choose what they will do with their bodies and lives.

Jaime Phelps

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

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

All submissions must be signed, with phone number and address.

Etcetera Column

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

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Philomath resident named to LBCC board

Former Berkeley student activist promises to bring 'unconventional views' to college policy decisions

By Kay Sams
Editorial Assistant

Richard Wendland, appointed to LBCC's board of directors last Wednesday, promises to practice an "unconventional view point," and utilize a cooperative approach in his new position.

According to board member Dr. Robert Adams of Corvallis, "he was the best individual to represent rural Benton County."

Wendland was chosen from among five applicants even after revealing to the board during the interview, "I am the worst radical candidate you have."

The consensus narrowed down in his favor, Wendland believes, because he decided against being "just another fuddy duddy," and accentuate his own unique talents, many acquired from turbulent experiences while participating in student protests during his education at the University of California at Berkeley in the 60s.

Wendland not only earned a degree in philosophy at Berkeley, he gained exposure to "unnecessary confrontations" between students and administration, which he observed, "could have been diffused by cooperative approaches."

"I was tear gassed seven times!" laughed Wendland, "Our neighborhood was in a state of armed curfew." The worst opposition he recalls was between the students at Berkeley and its administration over excess property owned by the college. The students and street people turned the land into a park, and the administration decided to take it back. An eight-foot cyclone fence was built by the administrators around the park in the middle of the night; teachers refused to teach classes the next day in protest; and the entire campus was tear gassed from above by helicopters.

This final action was taken after approval by Ronald Reagan (Governor at the time) and the board of regents at Berkeley in refusal to make concessions with the students.

Wendland admits he will have to learn his job; for example setting policies for the college and its budgetary matters—"Forming the budget will be the final responsibility for just about everything," Wendland deduced.

The biggest obstacle facing LB right now is the stabilization of its funding through a proposed tax base on the 1986, November 4 ballot, that it can live with and rely on, forsee Wendland. "It's a matter of improving the image of the college to people so they will appreciate what it does and participate more in it," he added.

Wendland says the tax base (the amount of money a taxing district may levy without voter approval, allowing a six percent annual increase) would give the college a guaranteed amount of revenue each year that would support current operation and abolish levies proposed to voters each year.

This statement concurs with Assistant to the President, Pete Boyse's idea of maintaining a "status quo budget" with the tax base.

The money acquired from the proposed tax base of \$6.7 million would help finance the college's overall budget, which is about \$15 million for the '86-87 school year. No new programs are included in the tax base and the rest of the money comes mainly from tuition, student fees and state sources.

Wendland has been connected with the college since 1972 when he began taking classes of interest to him. Among his favorite courses were dance aerobics and theater. He was the caterpillar in last spring's production of "James And The Giant Peach." According to Jane Donovan, director of the play and instructor of theater and speech, Wendland had "lots of energy and a warm, wonderful attitude toward the project—he had a real good sense of play and you need that in children's plays."



Photos by Dave Grubbs

Richard Wendland, LBCC's newest board member, takes a few swings on the homemade driving range outside his solar-powered house near Philomath. Wendland was appointed to the board last week to represent rural Benton County.

Wendland is also a serious carpenter, proof of which lies in the house he lives in at the end of Old Peak Road in Philomath. It was built in 1927 and transformed by Wendland from merely a shell into a home, complete with original wooden floors that reflected light caught by immense picture windows overlooking the garden. "It may be a roof over heads now," said Wendland's wife, Judy, "but it was a source of a thousand nervous breakdowns—At one time, falling sheetrock was all we had for a roof."

But ideas are Wendland's main love in life and education goes along with ideas, he pointed out. "I see my role on the board as being complimentary to other points of view and also a thorn in their side," he stated, "because sometimes it helps to look at the issues by relaxing the atmosphere this way." Wendland went on to say, "There is no view point I would dismiss," and made sure he told the board this during his interview.

IA odor fails to return; remains mystery

Kurtz: We now have the pieces in place to be more alert

By Perry Koontz
Staff Writer

Building have a place to call, and a quick response by plant services to try to pinpoint the source of the smells," will be carried out, said Kurtz.

A committee, co-chaired by John Carnegie and Kevin Nicholson, both water/wastewater faculty, will immediately check areas in question and record conditions and what operations are going on, Jean explained.

"Then we can put it all together and formulate a probable reason for the odors," he said.

LeRoy Heaton, a member of the odor committee and an industrial assistant for the Water/Wastewater Program said, "If someone detects an odor, they should immediately come to me or Kevin Nicholson and we'll check all the various buildings that have previously recorded the noxious odors."

Kurtz said, "We'll certainly be alert all during the year, and I think we now have the pieces in place to be more alert."

Gina Vee and Virginia Nelson, faculty members located in the IA building who voiced concerns last year, both feel this new system to deal with odors is a good one. "Last year we didn't know who to contact," said Vee.

Jean stated that although the source of the odor has not been pinpointed, "The last time it was checked...things all pointed toward the metallurgy lab." They had been cutting resins on the abrasive wheel and people who had previously smelled the odor said that the odor from the wheel was the same, explained Jean.

"That doesn't mean there aren't other problems," he said.

Etcetera

College Visitation

A representative from Bassist College will be on the LBCC campus to talk with students from 9:30-1:00, Oct. 24 in the Commons Lobby of the College Center.

Parent Education

Parent Education will be offering a class this coming Saturday, Oct. 25th, from 9 to 5 p.m. entitled "Parents Talk Sense to Yourself." The one-credit workshop focuses on managing parental emotions in order to solve family problems for parents who would like to deal more effectively with parent-child conflicts. Preregistration is required at the Community Ed. office, and includes a \$4 lab fee to cover the cost of the class text. Participants are asked to bring their own lunch. The class will be held in Takena 207.

Triathlon

The Willamette Chapter of the American Red Cross is sponsoring a Triathlon on October 25, 1986. This event will feature a 500 yard swim, a 20 mile bike and a 5 mile run. The start and finish for the triathlon will be at Sparks Center on the Willamette University campus in Salem. For more information please contact Bruce Bolton, Race Director, at Willamette Chapter, American Red Cross, 1290 Hoyt St. SE, Salem, Oregon, phone 585-5414.

20th Anniversary

Oregon NOW (Oregon National Organization for Women) will celebrate NOW's twentieth anniversary on October 25th at 7 p.m. at the Chumaree Comfortel at the Market Street exit in Salem.

For more information, write Oregon NOW Anniversary, 640 W. 10th, Albany, Oregon 97321.

Fair Planned

"Preparing for a Multi-national Century" will be the theme of Oregon's first World Information Fair, scheduled for Saturday, October 25 at Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

Admission to the Mall displays is free. Attendance at the keynote speech, seminars and workshops requires payment of a registration fee (which includes lunch): students - \$5, OIC members - \$7, others - \$10, if paid by October 15. After that date charges are \$6, \$9 and \$12. A 10% discount is available for groups of 10 or more. For more information call 378-4960 or write the Oregon International Council, 999 Locust St. NE, Salem, OR 97303.

Parenting Class

For the fifth year, LBCC is offering a "Parenting of Teens" class in the Albany Memorial Middle School. The class will begin Tuesday, Oct. 28 from 7-9 p.m. and will continue for six weeks. The cost is \$5 per person plus \$2.50 for a manual. If money is a problem, scholarships are available. For registration and other information, contact Helen Nissani at 928-2361, ext. 380. Late registration will also be accepted until Oct. 28 for "Parenting of Teens" classes in Scio and Sweet Home. Classes there began Oct. 14.

Loft Theatre

Tickets are now on sale for "Lofty Levity," Linn-Benton Community College's fall Readers Theatre production featuring works by Mark Twain, Garrison Keillor, Woody Allen and James Thurber.

Performances will be held on October 31, November 1, 7, and 8, at 8:15 p.m. and a matinee on Sunday, November 2 at 3:15 p.m. in LBCC's Loft Theatre, room 205 Takena Hall, 6500 SW Pacific Blvd. in Albany.

Seating is limited to 50 people per performance. All tickets are general admission and cost \$2. Advance tickets are available through French's Jewelers, Albany; Rice's Pharmacy in Corvallis, or LBCC's College Center Office, 967-6101.

Club Meets

Christians on Campus will meet every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. in the Willamette room.

Workshop Planned

The workshop "Get That Job, Success in Employment Interviewing" will be held at the LaSells Stewart Center, OSU and LBCC Forum 115. The program is designed for people who are preparing for the job market. It will be held Thursday, Oct. 30 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. The \$9 registration fee will cover coffee/tea and hand-out materials. Optional box suppers are available at \$4. Payment is due by Oct. 27.

Galbraith urges voters to take control

By Mike Gaines
Staff Writer

The public too often forgets that it can control its own government, John Kenneth Galbraith told more than 1500 people at OSU's LaSells Stewart Center Wednesday night. "Matters are in our hands," the diplomat said during his lecture for the Dubach Distinguished Chair in Political Science.

Galbraith said the unbridled U.S. government has forgotten its poor, minorities, and its farmers. Social programs are cut and Washington bureaucrats say "the poor need to feel the spur of their own poverty," Galbraith said.

The problem of the poor being overlooked by the government stems from the original flaws of what Galbraith calls "the three great revolutions of our time"—the 1917 Socialist Revolution in Russia, the welfare state of FDR, and the Economic Revolution of John Maynard Keynes.

Galbraith listed the four basic flaws with the revolutions as: 1) unequal balance power traditionally associated with the ownership of property; 2) the ill-treatment of workers; 3) inadequate amount of social programs; and 4) "failure of macroeconomic performance"—what Marx called the "capitalist crisis."

"We will understand economics today if we see that the revolutions have run into troubles"—the same troubles that they had in the beginning, Galbraith added.

Throughout his lecture Galbraith kept his audience amused, sharing his wit and wisdom, as well as his birthday.

Galbraith's list of accomplishments includes organizing the price control system used during WWII; directing investigations on the effects of the bombing of Japan and Germany; serving as U.S. ambassador to India; editing "Fortune" magazine; and teaching at Harvard for 39 years.

Galbraith is also the author of several books, and will soon add another on the history of economics, "A View from the Stands."

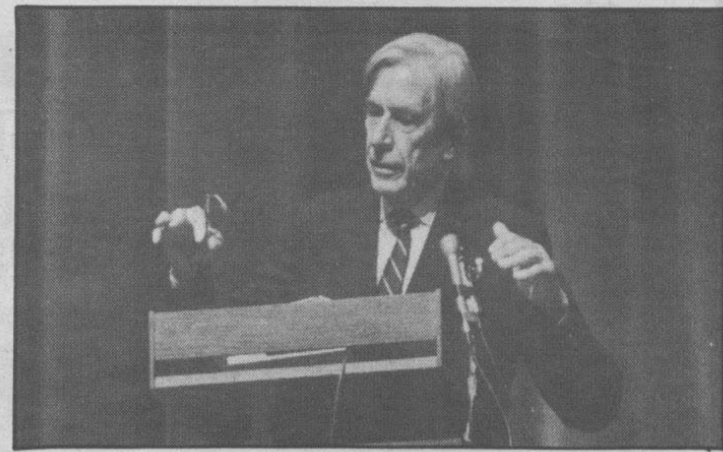


Photo by Dave Carson

John Kenneth Galbraith spoke to 1,500 people at the LaSells Stewart Center in Corvallis last Wednesday night. Galbraith said the unbridled government has forgotten its poor, minorities and its farmers.

Democracy coming slowly, painfully to Nicaragua, minister says

By Pam Mitchell
Staff Writer

Democracy won't come easily or quickly to Nicaragua, Norman Bent, a Moravian minister from Nicaragua's East Coast, told about 60 people at the First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis last week.

Bent said the present parliament has made many mistakes against his people but is trying to lead Nicaragua into a democratic experience. Bent expects more mistakes and it will take time for changes to come about.

The Indians of the eastern half of Nicaragua have been exploited for their labor and natural resources said

Bent, who is half Miskito Indian. The people of the east coast have felt like a separate country due to the discrimination that he blames on Spanish and British colonial rule, which did not end until 1894.

"If the people of the east coast were given education to feel part of Nicaragua, then Nicaragua would be

strong," he said.

Although the government has made mistakes, Bent said, "I support, critically, the Sandinista government because of social reforms for the benefit of my people." Bent listed schooling, agricultural training and medical help among those reforms.

He compared Nicaragua with the

U.S. when it was struggling to break ties with Britain. He said the U.S. was looking for something new, and now after 400 years of nothing, Nicaragua is also looking for something new, Bent explained.

Bent's speech was sponsored by Witness for Peace.

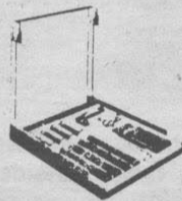
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Fall term enrollment shows increase

By Colleen Witham
Staff Writer

Enrollment at Linn-Benton Community College is expected to top the figures recorded for the same time last year.

According to Sue Cripe, LBCC's registrar, final numbers for fall term won't be available until the fourth week of classes. However, she said a 1 to 2 percent increase was likely.

The full time equivalence (FTE) for fall term last year was 1,383.87 students. The FTE figure is found by dividing the total number of student hours by 12.

Jon Carnahan, vice president of in-

struction, reported a 2 to 3 percent enrollment increase for summer term from last year and he also expects a slight increase in enrollment this term.

He said the trend has been for the number of students in vocational programs to decrease slightly but the number of transfer students has been increasing.

Carnahan believes that interest in vocational programs may be lessening because of trends in the local job market. However, he said more students are attending LBCC before going to a four-year college.

The Director of the Business Division, Patsy Chester, said that the

number of business administration students appears to have risen. She said computer science has about the same number of students, but fewer students are majoring in office technology.

Ken Cheney, director of the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Division, reports a large increase in the Graphic Communications Program. He also said that enrollment in liberal arts had increased, but there were fewer students in the music and theater programs than expected.

According to the Annual Unduplicated Headcount (UNDUP), LBCC's highest yearly enrollment was 28,827 in 1980-81. In 1982-83, the number fell sharply to only 21,553 students.

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Nuclear issues debated in Corvallis

Marbet, others argue over sludge, Trojan plant, nuclear arms

By Cynthia Dettman
Staff Writer

Teledyne Wah Chang has avoided removing radioactive sludge from ponds 400 feet from the Willamette River because of a loophole in a 1984 law which Ballot Measure 15 would close, according to anti-nuclear activist Lloyd Marbet.

Marbet and company spokesman Jim Denham debated Measure 15 at an October 13 forum in Corvallis, where three nuclear issues appearing on this November's ballot were argued.

Wah Chang appealed the application of the 1984 law, passed by voters to force clean-up of its sludge ponds. The case is still being decided, and the wastes remain, Marbet said.

Denham said the measure was discriminatory and unnecessary. He cited several studies that concluded the wastes pose no significant danger to public health and safety.

Denham accused proponents of seeking the economic destruction of the company in order to stop the supply of vital materials to the nuclear power industry.

Also debated were Ballot Measures 14 and 16. Measure 14, which would shut down the Trojan nuclear power plant, was debated by Marbet and Greg Johnson, an OSU student. Peter Bergel, spokesman for Citizens for a Nuclear Free Oregon; and Pat McCormick, lobbyist for the electronics industry, argued Measure 16, which would ban the production of nuclear weapons and their parts.

The debate on Ballot Measure 15 provoked loud exchanges between Marbet and several of the approximately 75 member audience at the LaSalle Stewart Center. An unidentified Wah Chang employee disputed Marbet's contention that the ponds are hazardous.

"I've worked there 12 years, and I'm not glowing," he said. Another worker said employees are given regular physical examinations. She asked Marbet if he was trying to shut down the company.

Marbet questioned the accuracy of the health studies cited by Denham. He said no epidemiological studies of Wah Chang employees had ever been performed.

"When laws have been manipulated and science can't agree then the people have to act," he said.

Marbet also challenged Denham's cost assertions, saying that the state had already identified large areas of Oregon where radioactive waste could be disposed of.

Denham contended that less than 0.2 percent of the sludge pond contents have radioactive emanations. He said Ballot Measure 15 would require prohibitively expensive studies and transporting of the wastes out of state, undercutting Wah Chang's competitiveness in the world market and threatening 1300 area jobs.

said expensive studies would not be required.

Wah Chang's recent announcement that it plans to remove the wastes is not a sufficient guarantee that they will be removed, said Marbet.

The debate of Ballot Measure 14 did not result in as many audience questions or comments.

Marbet urged the shutdown of the Trojan nuclear power plant because of problems with storage of its high level radioactive wastes.

In 1980 Oregon banned operation of new nuclear power plants until a permanent radioactive waste disposal site is licensed by the federal government. Trojan was allowed to temporarily store high level wastes at its Oregon facility.

Marbet said the immediate shutdown of Trojan is necessary because of delays in the federal government's efforts to choose and license a permanent storage site.

The disposal of radioactive wastes should be decided by experts, not by public debate, said Johnson, speaking in opposition to Ballot Measure 14.

The mining and burning of coal is significantly more dangerous to the environment and to public safety than nuclear power generation, he said.

Johnson called anti-nuclear activists "grossly irresponsible" for advocating the shutdown of nuclear power plants.

Pacific Gas and Electric is storing 291 tons of high level waste at its Trojan plant in a pool surrounded by a prefabricated metal building located less than 100 feet from the Columbia River, Marbet said. He spoke of the delay and cost of clean-up following the Three Mile Island accident in Pennsylvania, and the Chernobyl disaster.

"The laws we have are not protecting the people," Marbet said.

The debate of Ballot Measure 16 produced the least controversy.

Measure 16 would phase out the production of nuclear weapons and parts in Oregon by January 1, 1990, while providing a tax credit for affected companies to allow conversion to other types of production.

Bergel urged passage of the measure on the grounds that Ronald Reagan and the federal government are not doing enough to end the arms race.

Bergel said the measure would affect only \$500,000 and 15 jobs in Oregon based on current production of parts for nuclear weapons.

McCormick said he supported the goal of Ballot Measure 16 but opposed its passage because it goes outside the democratic system on an issue of national foreign policy and is unconstitutional.

A hand poll showed that more than a majority of the audience had already decided to vote for Ballot measure 16 prior to the debate.



Photo by Dave Grubbs

I gave at the office

Carolyn Miller, coordinator of tutoring services, was one of 150 people volunteering to be blood donors during last week's blood drive on campus. The project was a joint effort by ASLBCC student council, RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program) and the American Red Cross. The goal of 125 donors was realized as 25 volunteers were deferred. Each donor gave approximately 450 milliliters of blood--or close to a pint.

LB asks for new \$6.7 million tax base in Nov. 4 election

LBCC will ask the voters for a new \$6.7 million tax base Nov. 4.

The proposed tax base will end the college's dependence on the existing serial levy, which will expire this year.

The school is currently operating with the present tax base of \$4.9 million, plus a two-year serial levy of \$1.5 million, acquired annually from local property taxes.

If the new tax base is not approved, LBCC will have to ask for a new levy to meet the college's rising operating costs, according to Pete Boyse, assistant to the president. If the base is approved, the college has promised not to ask for more tax funding until

The new base, if passed, will raise the tax rate by about 7 cents per \$1000 assessed value. This will raise

the current rate from \$1.70 to \$1.77 per thousand. Therefore, the taxes paid on a \$50,000 home will increase about \$3.50 a year from \$85 to \$88.50.

The money obtained from property taxes supplies 41.9 percent of the school's budget. The state contributes 32.9 percent, followed by tuition and fees, reserves and transfers and other local and federal sources.

The Yes for LBCC Committee, although quiet until recently, plans to put the final stages of its campaign into action the two weeks preceding the vote, Boyse said.

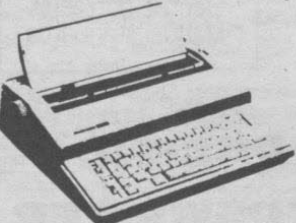
Boyse is acting as liaison between the committee and the college. According to Boyse, the strategy of the campaign is to inform. The school isn't asking for more money than it is

now receiving from the tax base and the serial levy, he said.

The Yes for LBCC campaign has raised about \$7,000, of which \$2,000 will be spent on radio advertising, \$2,000 on newspaper advertising, \$2,000 on printing and postage costs for direct mail advertising, and with the remainder being spent on miscellaneous expenses, said Boyse.

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Health-Wise

by Diane Morelli

A local advertising campaign touts their chickens as your best buy because of the exercise regimen they are on, complete with Nike tennis shoes, while lamenting the problems of finding properly sized leg warmers and convenient access to health foods. One problem they encounter is that their chicken's beaks are too short to stir up the fruit in the bottom of the yogurt containers.

Now, I don't know if these antics produce healthier chickens or not. But according to a letter written by Dr. Fred Rosner of

Queens Hospital Center in Jamaica, NY, to "Chest," a medical journal, "The judicious use of chicken soup as an important component of the therapeutic approach to upper and lower respiratory tract infections seems to be fully justified."

What he's saying is that chicken soup appears to have some healing properties after all. Of course, mothers have known for years that bed rest and chicken soup were the best medicines for that nasty cold of yours.

Now doctors are finding that sipping chicken soup helps clear the nasal passages.

A number of studies have been conducted, including one by Dr. Marvin A. Sackner, director of medical services at Mount Sinai Medical center in Miami Beach, Fl. He tested chicken soup on a group of 15 volunteers. His findings were that hot water helped some but chicken soup did the best job.

Sackner says, "something extra, either through the aroma sensed in the nasal passages or through a mechanism related to taste," may be the reason.

"Patient" magazine reports that the ancient Egyptian physician and philosopher, Moses Maimonides, was an outspoken advocate of chicken soup, believing it had the ability to cure anything from leprosy to feelings of melancholy. In the choosing of the perfect bird, Maimonides said it shouldn't be too big or too small, too lean or too fat; "but those that are fat by nature without being stuffed."

Self-proclaimed president of the fictitious Chicken Soup Institute in Philadelphia, Ralph Packman, attesting to the medicinal properties of chicken soup says, "you've never seen a chicken with a cold, have you? Well, then, what more scientific proof do you need that chicken soup works?"

Packman says happy chickens produce the best broth but hasn't devised, "a foolproof way to select a well adjusted, cheerful chicken."

My suggestion is that he checks out the hen houses where they are sporting new Nikes, angora leg warmers and slim thighs!

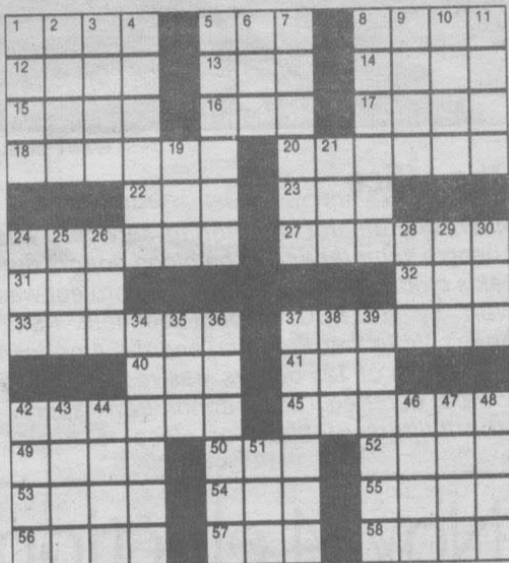
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The Puzzle



COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

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Council promotes voter registration

LBCC's Student Council is making an effort to increase voter registration and are urging students to register and inform other people in the community of the importance of voting.

Awards will be given to clubs and faculty for the most filled out and returned voter registration forms. The club with the most returned forms will receive \$25 in cash. In addition, clubs will receive \$25 for every one hundred forms turned in. Faculty members with the most forms turned in will receive a \$25 gift certificate for the restaurant of their choice.

The Council went on record as opposing Ballot Measures 9, 11 and 12.

The Council is preparing for the Halloween dance held Oct. 31 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. The band performing is XL, and admission is free for those students wearing a costume or bringing can foods.

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Out-of-Bounds

by Matt Rasmussen

Special Note to readers: To those of you who follow this column, (those of you who can find it buried on page 7!) remember that we left our beloved sports editor sitting dazed in a pile of goo. He attempted to write this column while resting peacefully in a body cast. However, during the 16-inning Astro/Mets playoff game he slipped into a baseball induced 'boredom coma.' His column this week will be filled by his longtime guru and personal associate, Arty Burfo...

It was a sick scene in that hospital room. I saw a once great human being reduced to a blabbering pile of plaster and sports information. We had been through quite a bit together, gym class, 9th grade health (twice), and the terrible school lunch wars of '79. I was hesitant to accept this assignment, Matt was a personal friend of mine and it hurt to see him in such pain. (It hurt to think of myself in any pain!) I agreed only when he offered complete use of his press pass, luxurious sports office and his personal unlimited Commuter credit line. (Little did I know that meant his LBCC library card, a locker in the basement of the Activities Center and \$2.40 in half-empty returnable bottles and cans.) I hope he gets well soon.

I grabbed a Pepsi and filled it full with the remnants of a can of Dr. Pepper, shook well, and headed out to discover sports at LBCC...

First I covered the intramural scene. It took about 10 minutes to discover that LB students really don't like football (little wonder, being so close to OSU). I tried to interview a P.E. attendant on the subject, but she screamed and left the locker room wearing only a disgruntled look, (nice form I thought and wondered if she ran cross country, but decided a second interview would be out of the question!)

I loitered in the hallway, searching my mind for a late-breaking sports feature that Matt would be proud of. I came upon a copy of last week's Commuter then decided that just about anything over 'See Dick run,' would do the trick nicely, (Matt must be under a lot of sports pressure lately).

Next I spent some time staring into the Sports Information reader board. The blurring red tracer nearly had me hypnotized, when all of sudden the entire volleyball team appeared. Great I thought, a chance to get another interview. Oops...right behind the intense hail of volleyballs was my first interview of the day. Using an ancient form of 'duck and roll' karate I eluded the fury of balls.

I ducked into the Athletic Office attempting to interview Dave Bakely on the cross country scene. Informed that he was out on the Wellness trail almost made me ill, but the thought of facing the spiker squad again forced a re-evaluation of my views towards exercise. Out of the back door I ran, my lungs screamed in anguish.

There I found every coach that had avoided my interviews all week. Deeply involved in a poker game, they didn't notice me sneak by. I wanted to stop and join in, but didn't have enough baseball cards to enter. It got ugly when someone threw in a McDonalds Football card, (not so much that it wasn't baseball, more because it had expired).

Hunted and depressed, I headed off to the Camas Room to have a jellyroll and a migraine. My objective was the Commuter office, that great pinnacle of knowledge and wisdom. But first I needed some form of sustenance to handle the abuse I expected to receive at the office of the 'Weekly Planet.'

Matt left me a warning about the 'Planet' office on a 3' by 5' sheet of butcher paper, etched in goats milk: "Don't Do It!"

I pondered this statement in the library, thumbing through old issues of 'Popular Nuclear Mechanics,' (Matt is the 'Sports' guy, I'm more into terrorism).

My eye caught the sports section of a local paper. Another cute angle on the 'shuttle series,' my stomach runneth over with joy. First it was the '1-20 Series' now the 'Shuttle Series,' if baseball is so exciting why do they need these catch phrases. (Most likely so that the NBC commentators will have something to say besides 'what a swing' and 'at least he's a good sport about it.')

I hear that the NCAA is planning a new category in college sports records. If the proposal passes we will be counting a team's progress by win; loss; tie; and near miss. (Look for the Oregon schools to soar in the charts.)

The day was wearing thin by noon. I decided to hit the Activities Center one more time, then head out to the coast and do some deep sea snorkeling. (A big sport in my home state of Montana.)

Nothing was happening in the athletic office, but my ears perked to hear all too familiar sounds. I walked around the corner... 'Cheap Sunglasses' blasted from somewhere, people shouted and whooped at last, a real sport.

"Hey dudes, where's the party..." I began to say, but was stopped short by a terrifying sight. People exercising, stretching, straining, sweating...and having fun! It was un-American.

"We are loathesome, slothful beasts," I tried to tell them. When pleading with them to stop this insanity didn't work I hi-tailed it out of there. My credo has always been 'if you're in good enough shape to run two miles, why bother.' Peace of mind is hard to come by in this crazy world, and I'm not about to lose mine just for a story.

I never made it to the famed Commuter Office. I'm sure Lois Lane and Jimmy Olsen missed me (pretty much the same way Gary Carter missed the ball Sunday night).

Matt will be back next week with an undercover expose' on 'Drug Testing in Pop Warner Football.'

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Sophomore Monica Haines hits the hard- week. Haines and the lady roadrunners face wood trying to save the ball during drills this Western Oregon State College this Friday

Sophomore spikers reflect on sport

As the volleyball season approaches it's midpoint, it's time to focus on the two returning sophomores, co-captains Laura Breneman and Monica Haines.

Standing 5'3", Laura Breneman talks in a quiet voice, seemingly in preparation for her chosen major; elementary education.

"I like little kids," she says smiling, "they are fun to be around. But I don't want anything past first graders."

Laura is a four-year letterman from Scio. Her achievements include two MVP awards for her sophomore and junior years, and All League Volleyball awards her junior and senior years. She also played softball and basketball at Scio high.

"I plan on going to a four-year school after Linn-Benton," she said of her future plans, "but I won't know for sure until spring. I might just go into the service to make money for school. I'll tryout for volleyball where ever I am."

She listed "all sports" as her hobbies, and added The Cosby Show and drawing lower on the list.

"Does my boyfriend count," she laughed, denying to mention his name. "He'll get mad."

Asked why she came to LB she said, "I just wanted to go to school. I wanted the experience of a small school."

"Laura has improved immensely from last year," said her coach, Deb Mason. "Her skills have all improved, passing as well as hitting and setting."

Monica Haines is a little more outgoing, a little taller and a little louder. Perfect for her occupational goal; secondary education.

"I'd like to go into coaching," she said exuberantly, "and physical education."

A three-year letterman from Crescent Valley in Corvallis, Haines looks forward to playing volleyball next year at Willamette, Western Oregon State or Western Baptist.

Haines received honors for 'Most Improved' her junior year, 'Most Outstanding' and 'Honorable Mention' all state her senior year. She also competed in basketball and softball at Crescent Valley.

She returned to Crescent Valley last year as assistant varsity volleyball coach through the CWE program here at LB. "It was a lot of fun," she said of the experience, "but also a lot of hard work."

'Coach' Haines enjoys dancing, listening to music and spending time with her friends. "I like to go up to Razzles and dance," she said of her hobbies.

As the season eases into its second half, the co-captains blame inexperience and inconsistent teamwork to explain the 0-6 league record.

"We are a really young, inexperienced team," said Haines. "Laura's from a small school, and some are from large schools. It's hard to come together and expect everything to workout."

Future brightens for LB harrier teams

By Matthew Rasmussen
Sports Editor

Linn-Benton's cross country teams picked up a new member and lowered their times in Saturday's Clackamas Invitational. The men's team took home fourth place, while the women continued to compete on an individual basis led by newcomer Myra McGarry who placed seventh.

McGarry has trained with the team for several weeks but could not compete until now because of transcript delays. She led the pair of lady Roadrunners with a time of 19:59. In her second 3.1 mile race, Ellen Hodson placed 19th crossing the line at 23:58.

"They both have improved over where they were a week ago," said cross country coach Dave Bakely. "Progress is being made. Myra really needs to concentrate on working with a lot more speed and increasing her tempo for short distances. She can run forever at a certain pace. She has problems running as fast as she needs to run for a 3.1 mile race. That is a fairly short distance for her," Bakely said. McGarry competed in the Portland Marathon earlier this year.

"Ellen ran her second race for us," Bakely said of the No. two lady Roadrunner, "she improved tremendously over her previous week. We still don't have a complete team, but we're gaining. There's a chance we'll end up

with some more gals getting us going real soon. Things are moving in the right direction as far as the women are concerned," finished the coach.

The men's team continued their improvement last week led by Shawn McMorris. He finished seventh overall with a time of 27:20.

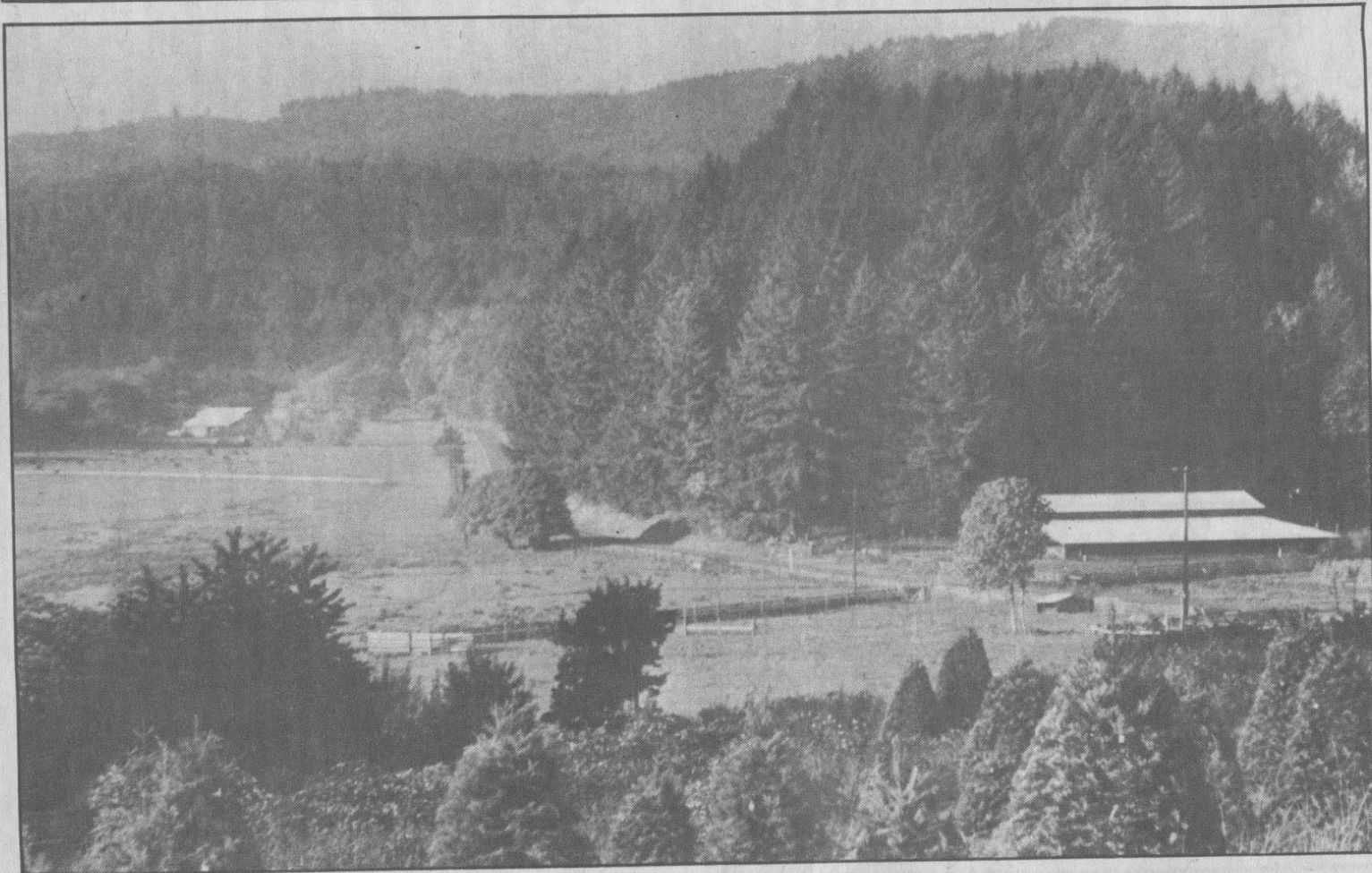
"Shawn bounced back this week," said Bakely, "and ran extremely well. He ran about as well tactically as I've seen him run in the two years he's been here." McMorris finished behind Eric Trautwein two weeks ago due to a leg injury.

"Eric fell off just a bit this week," Bakely said of the No. two man on the team. "He let a few people slip by him early on in the race, and had to play catch up and that is tough to do. He's also making good progress. He just has to stay a little more conscious as to where people are early on." Trautwein finished tenth at 27:50.

Looking ahead, the harriers travel to Midway, Wash. and the Highline Invitational. The following week, the teams will be competing at the Southern Region Championships in Eugene. Lane CC is hosting the event on Friday, Oct. 31.

"We're working extremely hard," said Bakely. "Everyone is running very well in meet competition. When you get these kinds of efforts, good things eventually happen, and you can see that in these results."

Backroads



Alpine

By Wanda Hollaway
Staff Writer

Since the first restless pioneer arrived in 1843, Alpine, Oregon, located three miles west of Monroe, has gone from a boom town to a sleepy community as many times as the name has changed.

Originally, Alpine was called Belknap Settlement after the first family to the valley. Subsequent names have been: Simpson Chapel, Goodman Corners, and The Crossroads.

In 1908 a railroad was built to haul logs from the sawmill in Glenbrook. A depot was erected at The Crossroads. It was about this time that the first mention of a post office in Alpine can be found.

By 1909 Alpine had about 500 citizens, a large apple-packing plant, a hotel, two churches and many businesses.

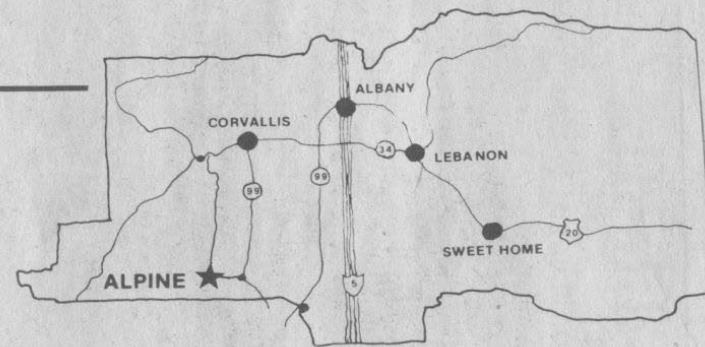
The community continued to thrive until four disasters occurred: The mill in Glenbrook ceased operation; the orchards failed; and in 1918, the first of two fires roared through the business district. Many businesses were rebuilt but were again destroyed in the fire of 1924.

Since that time, Alpine has survived several more booms and busts, mostly connected to the lumber industry.

Today, Alpine is enjoying a slow, carefully planned revival with the planting of millions of Christmas trees and the fledgling vineyards.

With only ten acres of grapes, the Alpine Winery, located a few miles above the community, have achieved national acclaim for its wines.

Plans are in the works for a sewer system to serve the residents and three remaining businesses, the Alpine Tavern, the Alpine Market and the Alpine Garage.



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