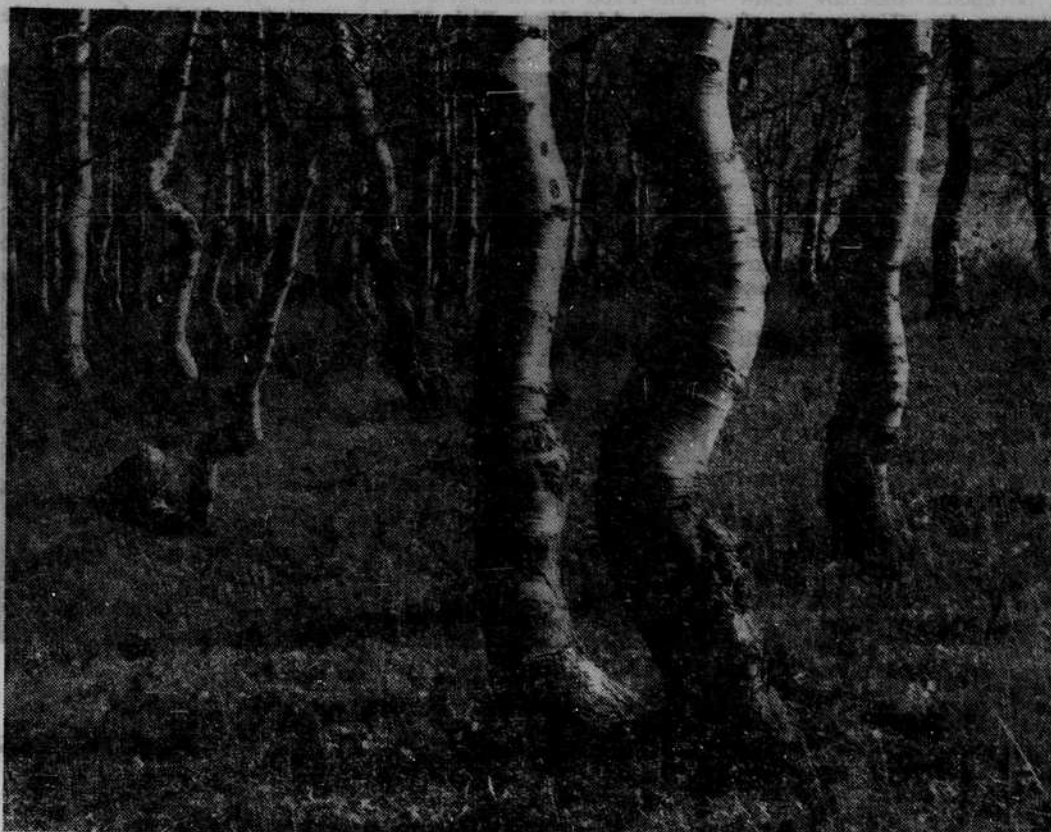


Abstractions of Oregon

Freemesser photos on show



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One of the most obvious impressions you get about his photographs is that they have a rainwashed clarity—a clearness of vision which most people expect of their own eyes but rarely get.

The artist is Bernard Freemesser, associate professor of journalism at this school. A collection of 36 of his photographs is being shown at the University Museum of Art through Monday.

Freemesser has been taking photographs of the "Oregon country" for the last four years. Two and one half of these years have been with the assistance of a faculty grant.

The artist has several reasons for doing this project. "Oregon doesn't know about the University and the University doesn't give a damn if the state exists. My goal is to show the land the people have sprung from, the subtle things that make Oregon what it is."

"I'm also doing this because in ten years, even five years, none of this will be the same. The natural environment has already been destroyed in the valley."

And so he's trying to capture the desert and the ocean and all that's between in a series of images—a visual diary of what he has related to.

He shows a barn with rainclouds in the sky, a herd of cattle moving down the road. Nice picture. Clear with good tones. But a picture can't survive if that's all it is . . . nice.

Freemesser: "These pictures are an abstraction of an idea. They are meant to reveal more than the eye can see. A mind was used in creating these images and it takes a mind to appreciate them."

Can you sense Oregon? Can you feel its ruggedness in a clump of snow-covered trees standing fortress-like against a mountain?

Can you see Oregon in the delicate leaves of a cabbage plant . . . opened and crying dew-drop tears?

Is part of Oregon the tall, straight grain elevators of Pendleton, its angles making sunlight/shadow paradoxes?

Freemesser hopes so. "You have to recognize forms, not scenery. Each area has its own mood, light quality, inter-relationships. You don't take pictures of subjects but of the order of events," he said.

In talking about his relationship to photography, he said, "It's getting harder and harder to take Oregon pictures for me. I look at something and I think, 'I've done that before. I've already explored that form in another context.' I need to keep finding more little, usually unnoticed things that are indicative of the state that is Oregon."

Park blocks rally scheduled by Eugene Black Panthers

The Eugene chapter of the Black Panthers will sponsor a downtown rally today at 10:30 a.m.

The rally, according to Tommy Anderson, Minister of Education for the local group, will be held in support of Black Panther leader Huey Newton.

Newton is scheduled to apply

Gamma Phi top WUS week award

Gamma Phi Beta Sorority was the largest contributor to World University Service during WUS Week (April 21-26). This is the third consecutive year the living organization has been among the top money-raisers at the University during the annual campaign. Alpha Phi Sorority was second.

Bob Morris, sponsored by Phi Kappa Psi, was named "Ugly Man on Campus." He had the most money contributed in his name.

Michael Kment won the contest to determine the amount raised by the University. His estimate was closest to the \$1,740 raised. He will receive \$50 in merchandise of his choice donated by the Co-op. Barry Stranahan was the second-place winner.

The pledge class of Alpha Phi won the sorority skit competition with its presentation of "The Wizard of WUS."

for release from prison on bail in San Francisco today. Rallies are scheduled by Panthers across the country in support.

Newton is in a Bay Area jail on charges of manslaughter.

The Panthers contend that he is a political prisoner. They expect the San Francisco court to turn down Newton's plea for release, said Anderson.

Speakers from the Black Panthers, the Peace and Freedom Party and the Eugene Police Department are scheduled to address the rally in the Park Blocks.

According to Anderson, the rally will be held to educate the

community on the purposes and the goals of the Black Panther Party, as well as draw attention to Huey Newton.

New voting set for Chem lab 109

The vote taken Wednesday, concerning the question of whether to hold regular Chemistry convocation week, has been declared invalid due to obvious 109 laboratory classes during ballot box stuffing.

A new vote will be taken at 10:30 a.m. Friday during Ch 106. Votes must be on Ch -109 computer cards to be counted.

HB 1880 opposed by city council

EUGENE (P) — A proposed bill that would empower the governor to ban outsiders from Oregon college campuses is opposed by the Eugene City Council.

The measure, House Bill 1880, currently is under consideration by the Senate after approval last week by the House.

The council took formal opposition to the measure in a voice vote, with one dissension Tuesday night.

Councilmen opposing the bill said it usurps the power of both the University and the city in which the campus is located.

The executive committee of the Multnomah County Democratic Central Committee also

unanimously denounced the bill.

It also urged the Legislature to "repudiate the reprehensible tactics of Gov. Tom McCall."

A statement issued by the committee declared, in part, "The conduct of the governor has been irresponsible and irrational. He already has adequate power to deal with any campus emergency. . ."

It said Gov. McCall tried to rush the bill through to meet a report of a crisis at Oregon State that he should have known was false.

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