

Workshop offers fossil study

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A week of exploring fossil beds in western Oregon with a professional geologist and the chance to build a personal collection of fossils is available for anyone who wishes to enroll in a summer workshop offered by the University geology department.

Participants in the Aug. 16-20 workshop will travel by bus and spend at least some of the four nights camping at the sites on the coast and in the Willamette Valley.

William Orr, the instructor of the course and an associate professor of geology, explained that although designed for junior high and high school science teachers, the workshop is open to anyone with an interest in geology. He said there is a two-fold motivation for the workshop.

Orr hopes to involve people

from outside the University to help improve the University's image and also to attract teachers to generate interest in geology within the high schools.

The workshop carries two hours of credit and will cost the participants \$90 for tuition plus a \$45 transportation fee. Food must be purchased and prepared during the trip on an individual basis.

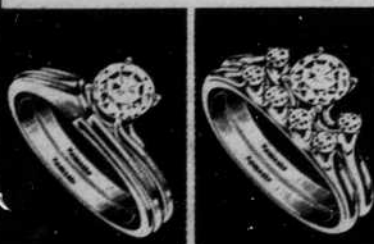
"It's kind of cushy," said Orr. "There are no lung-bursting climbs." He said those who wished could, in most cases, sleep in motels in nearby towns. Each evening the group will identify their discoveries and hear a lecture. The emphasis will be on understanding the practical value of fossils to geologists and paleontologists in determining the age and environments of rocks in Oregon.

The workshop has been held several times in past years and

Orr says it has been a vast success. Some people have participated all four years. This year the sites were chosen to avoid the possibility of repeated visits exhausting the supply of fossils. Some areas on the coast are continually being cut away by the ocean exposing new fossils, said Orr.

A pamphlet with information on the workshop and a reservation form is available from the geology office.

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Trojan shuts down

RAINIER (AP) — The new Trojan nuclear power plant shut down for 24 hours Wednesday night when a low-level radioactive instrument known as a neutron detector was replaced, a Portland General Electric Co. spokesman said.

The plant, still in its testing stages, closes for every malfunction, the official said.

The neutron detector, one of four at Trojan, is about ten feet long and six inches in diameter. It represents the first nuclear waste to be stored by the plant.

The PGE official said the instrument will be stored in the reactor containment building at the site near Rainier until a licensed contractor of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission picks it up for delivery to a permanent storage site.

Go directly to jail

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The gray-haired, middle-aged man walked into the bank and handed a teller a note demanding money. After receiving an envelope containing \$1,800, he sat down in the lobby and waited for police.

While officers were en route, he got up from his lobby chair and went back to the teller's window, returned the money and said, "You ought to keep this. It will mess up your accounting."

Wilbur John Hunter has done it before, his court-appointed attorney said Thursday. He is a homeless, penniless wanderer who believes getting arrested is the only way to get the food and shelter he needs, his lawyer said.

Hunter's biggest fear now is that he will be released from jail, where he gets regular meals. But there is a limit to how far even Hunter will go in his desire for a place to stay.

"He doesn't want to go to prison but there seems to be no alternative," said James Shepard, Hunter's lawyer.

Hunter's latest encounter with the law was the second time in less than a month that the unarmed man allegedly pulled a robbery and waited for police, officers said.

U.S. Magistrate Donald Dietrich ordered Wednesday that Hunter be examined by a psychiatrist prior to an April 22 preliminary hearing. Hunter is being held in the Orange County Jail in lieu of \$25,000 bond on federal bank robbery charges.

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