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With a \$2 permit ...

Tree seekers enter forest

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Of the Emerald

They trudge through wet pine needles, inhaling the smell of moist earth and exhaling wisps of fog-like air. Now and then they stop to examine a tree. Arguing its merits and faults softly, so as not to awake the forest, they move on. Their quest can not be taken lightly. They seek a Christmas tree.

The Willamette National Forest has once again invited the public to come and cut their own trees. Permits can

be purchased for \$2 at the Blue River, McKenzie, Oakridge, Detroit, Sweet Home or Lowell ranger stations.

An 8,300 limit has been placed on the number of permits to be sold this year. The limit represents an average of permit sales over the last five years.

"In discussing the impact of Christmas tree sales with our rangers, there was agreement that we can accommodate the existing level of use, but it could eventually cause unacceptable damage to tree

plantations if continued unlimited cutting was permitted," said John Alcock, forest supervisor.

The ranger stations will be open 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and perhaps the weekend of Dec. 18-19, if there is still public demand and good weather. During the week, the stations will be open during normal business hours, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Previously, permits cost \$1 but, according to Alcock, the price was raised to deal with inflation, to be more in line with the trees value and to be compatible with commercial growers.

The \$2 permit is still reasonable when compared to the cost of pre-cut trees and even U-picks. Pre-cut trees usually sell for \$1 a foot on up, and local U-picks average \$5 a tree.

The species of tree available will depend on the area. However, in the Lowell district, probably the most convenient for Eugene residents, Sam Frear, Willamette National Forest director of communications, says the Douglas Fir is the most common tree.

The Lowell ranger station is southeast of Eugene on Highway 58, across the street from Lowell High School.

Families like to cut their own trees because it is an excuse to get together and have an outing in the forest, according to Frear. He says he thinks that draws more people than economical reasons.

Christmas tree searchers should, however, be warned about going into the woods after 3:30 p.m. The forest gets dark early and one never knows what may be lurking behind that enormous Douglas Fir.



Photo by Kim Smith

As the Christmas season approaches, an increasing number of tree-lots, like this one where Barbara Adams works, appear throughout the area. One way to reduce the cost of a tree is to cut your own by obtaining a permit from the Forest Service.

Straub appoints Linde to court

By PAUL WALDSCHMIDT
Of the Emerald

Gov. Bob Straub announced Tuesday that he has appointed Hans Linde, University Law School professor, to the Oregon Supreme Court. Linde, who will assume the position in January, succeeds Justice William McAllister, who is resigning for health reasons.

In his appointment statement Straub said, "I believe the Supreme Court is the place for legal minds of towering excellence. In my judgment Hans Linde fits that description."

The governor described Linde as "the leading constitutional and public law authority in Oregon."

Linde reacted to the appointment by saying, "I am greatly honored by this appointment and by Gov. Straub's confidence. For anyone in the legal profession, this represents the highest opportunity to serve the people of Oregon."

The 52-year-old law professor described the appointment as "a special challenge" and praised the "high standards" set by Justice McAllister and retiring Justice Kenneth O'Connell.

Linde, a two-time winner of Fulbright scholarships, joined the University faculty in 1959. His first job after graduating from the University of California Law School was a law clerk for U.S. supreme Court Justice William Douglas.

The German-born Linde came to the United States in 1924 with his family and graduated from Lincoln High School in Portland. He received his undergraduate degree at Reed College.

In making his appointment Straub said he felt geographical balance on the bench was a factor and that he wanted to appoint someone from outside the Portland metropolitan area. Five of seven justices on the new court live in the Portland area.

When Straub chose Linde, he bypassed two other candidates who were "strongly considered."

One of these was U. S. Magistrate Edward Leavy, a former Lane County Circuit Court judge. Leavy was the choice of an Oregon State Bar Association poll of possible appointees.

Leavy was just recently appointed to the federal magistrate position and Straub said appointing Leavy to the state position would cause "unnecessary disruption" to the federal court system.

The other candidate, Lane County Circuit Court Judge Helen Frye, was recommended editorially by the Eugene Register-Guard. In bypassing Frye, Straub said five of the seven judges on the new court are from circuit court positions and he "felt a different perspective was needed."

Straub said he feels Linde can continue the tradition of "out-standing service" set by Justice O'Connell, who also came from the academic-legal community.

Linde and his wife, Helen, live in Eugene at 1131 E. 20th Ave., with their 16-year-old son, David. Their 21-year-old daughter, Lisa, lives in Los Angeles.

Due to technical failure...

A number of readers picked up today's paper expecting to turn to "Empty Pages" and find their poems displayed. A mechanical failure at 9 p.m. forced us to drop four pages from today's edition, leaving no room for poetry. Grid willing, "Empty Pages" will appear before we end publication Monday. For those with a discerning eye, the same failure resulted in using two different body types today.

Developments over time shape AOP

Editor's note: This is the first story of a three part series examining the current Academics Opportunity Program (AOP), the events that led to its inception, and the people who were and still are much a part of it. The first story deals with events leading up to the current minority program.

By LORI PETERSON
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With results of an investigation into the misuse of authority by former Academic Opportunity Program (AOP) administrators Robert Campillo and Chris Munoz ex-

pected to be announced today many are reminded of a struggle that has involved virtually every facet of the University community.

Today, almost a year and a half after University Pres. William Boyd's decision to dismantle the former Educational Opportunities Services (EOS), the search for an adequate minority program continues.

The period preceding adoption of the current AOP minority program included reshuffling, recommendations, and rhetoric; these processes continue as a faculty-legislated planning committee considers written proposals from various

individuals before funneling new program proposals to the University Senate.

All of this remains a vital part of the search begun before Boyd took office.

When Boyd took office in the summer of 1975, the former program (EOS), serving Black, Native American, Chicano and other disadvantaged students was under careful scrutiny by former University Pres. Robert Clark's administration.

Clark had appointed a faculty committee to review the EOS program in the spring of 1975, and it addressed the University Faculty stating "a need for more multicultural courses and experiences on campus for minority students."

The committee also urged the University to continue to develop a better means of identifying qualified minority and disadvantaged students, and felt that a transition period should be provided for the particular students to strengthen their academic skills.

A suggestion for the cultural centers, that served as social outlets for these minority groups, to be transferred to the ASUO ethnic student union was introduced by the committee, and also felt that the EOS academic advising should be transferred to the College of Liberal Arts.

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