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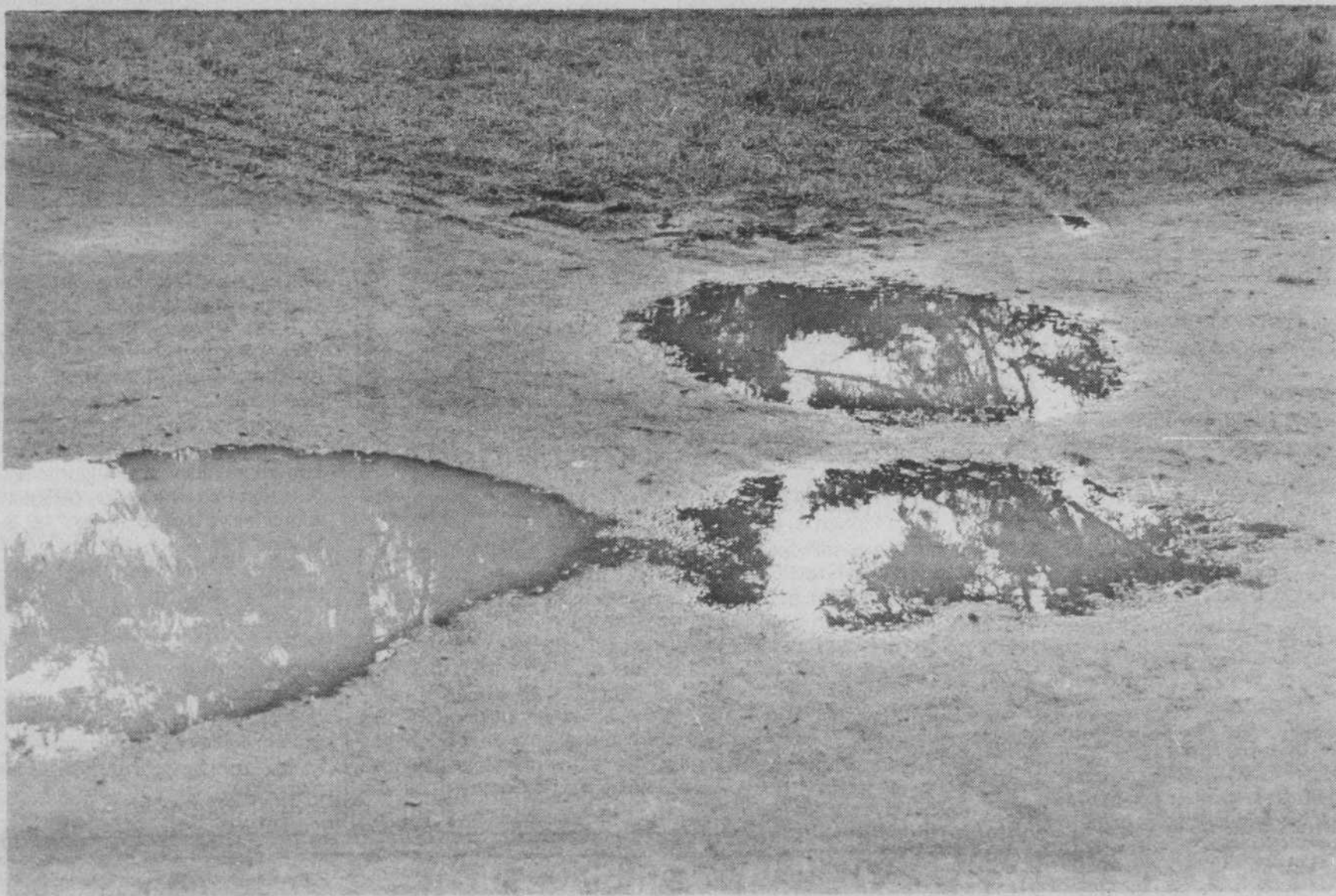


Photo by Greg Gawlowski

puddlewonderful

e.e. cummings wrote that when it's spring the world is "puddlewonderful." Whether puddles are wonderful or not is something to be debated. However these three reflect on something which all rain-soaked Oregonians welcome — a clear sky.

In court Protestors to stand trial individually

Justice John Biggs denied a request Wednesday for trial consolidation of the 19 demonstrators arrested for trespassing at Johnson Hall Jan. 25.

Attorney Mike Goldstein, representing Southern African Liberation Support Committee (SALSC), had presented an oral argument Monday in support of a previously filed motion to combine the trails of the 19 prsons.

In his presentation, Goldstein argued consolidation would quicken the trial procedure for both the defendants, as well as save the city the added expense of 19 individual trials.

Goldstein further argued that a motion to consolidate is usually made by prosecution for those same reasons and are turned down by the judge in cases where it would appear to work against the defendant.

But City Attorney, David Logan told the court that holding trial on all 19 persons at one time could potentially confuse the jurors.

SALSC spokespersons claim that one trail for the 19 persons charged with the same crime would alleviate feasibility problems.

Biggs refused the consolidation plea Wednesday morning, offering no explanation.

No one's happy with revised rule

By PATRICK SULLIVAN
Of the Emerald

Prof's outside job policy gets nation-wide concern

A revision of the administrative rule concerning outside employment of full-time professors is taking abuse from all sides.

The rule is part of a complete revision of the State Board of Higher Education's rules as directed by the Secretary of State in 1973. The revision was designed to bring the rules up to date and make editorial changes.

While there have not been problems with the University's policy, says Olum, there is a nation-wide concern about outside employment rules, and many universities are moving to a definite policy on it.

One professor concerned about the proposed outside employment rule is Ed Whitelaw, president of Economic Consultants Oregon Ltd. and University professor of economics.

"The research I do as a consultant is directly related to the classes I teach," Whitelaw says. "It's necessary for the students and the school."

The revised rules were to come up for a vote by the board on March 24, but the rule on outside employment will be considered separately because of comments heard by the Committee of the Whole in February.

The proposed rule (AR41.040) would require full-time employees to report outside employment to their immediate super-

visors. If the employment substantially interferes with the employee's duties the supervisor would report it to the president of the institution, the division head or a designee.

"If the president, division head or designee disapproves, the employee shall reject the outside employment. If the president, division head or designee places restrictions or limitations, the employee shall comply therewith."

Those last two sentences of the proposed rule constitute the change from the present rule, which requires full-time employees to "secure approval from the executive of the institution before accepting any employment involving time or honorarium."

The change in the rule was not designed to force teachers to work 24 hours a day, says Board Member John Ater. "We realize that part of being a professor is having time to contemplate your navel."

When the whole set of the proposed rules was brought up for discussion at the committee meeting, Robert MacVicar, Oregon State University president, pointed out the difference between the old rule and the new

one.

He said the board was "making a new rule, not amending the old one."

Comments were also made by Bill Nelson, executive secretary of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in Oregon.

Nelson asked the Board to remove the outside employment rule from consideration with the revised set. He did so because of "concern about the rule expressed to me by members of the AAUP."

There are currently 500 to 600 members of the organization, according to Nelson.

He believes the board is asking the wrong questions with the proposed rules.

"They should not ask how much time a professor spends away from class duties, but what value the outside employment has for the students and University. The state is proposing to wield too blunt an instrument for the policy," he said.

Whitelaw, who reports the number of hours spent with his consulting firm to University Pres. William Boyd (approximately 600 in a school year), believes, "there will be a lot less attraction for me to the University if I had a tedious administrator looking

over my shoulder."

If the rule is adopted, "the University will comply because administrative rules have the effect of law," according to Freeman Holmer, vice-chancellor for the State System of Higher Education. He adds that interpretation of the rule is up to the president of the school.

So it is Boyd who decides if there will be "tedious administrators looking over professor's shoulders," as Whitelaw worries about.

Boyd says he doubts the rule would work. "The spirit of the rule is correct but it gives too much arbitrary power to faculty members." He believes the proposed rule "has an elaborate reporting system that is not necessary."

The University's present policy is an informal one says Paul Olum, vice-provost for Academic affairs.

"The University allows faculty to engage in outside employment as long as the time away from the classroom does not exceed one day in seven. It doesn't substantially interfere with University duties, it doesn't use University equipment or personnel and it doesn't bring discredit on the University," Olum said.

Olum says, "It is our hope that any rewrite of the rule allows the president's discretion in determining violations."

A year ago Stanford University announced a policy that limits outside emp-

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