

Duck vote among issues on ballot

Along with 34 candidates running for various ASUO offices, two constitutional amendments and one referendum will appear on Wednesday's and Thursday's ballot.

The first amendment would change the number of signatures necessary to initiate recall procedures for ASUO officials. Section 12.22 of the ASUO Constitution now requires 10 percent of the student body to sign a recall petition. The amendment changes that figure to five percent.

The second amendment concerns Student University Affairs Board (SUAB) positions. It would change the number of SUAB members to 17 and make one of the members a chair only. SUAB now has 18 representatives, one of whom is the chairer who also has an academic consti-

tuancy.

The amendment also concerns filling SUAB vacancies. The constitution now says the ASUO president will fill vacancies if they occur more than four weeks before a scheduled ASUO election. The amendment adds the stipulation that the summer session vacancies will be excluded from this policy.

Committee to appoint Mallard Drake University Duck has submitted this referendum: "...The University administration should, at the earliest possible convenience, adopt the duck MALLARD DRAKE as the graphic symbol representing the University of Oregon Ducks."

Mallard, the duck introduced by Steve Sandstrom, last year's Emerald graphics editor, hopes to beat Donald out at the polls.

Women's labor roles examined in session

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Of the Emerald

The changing roles of women in organized labor will be the subject of a two-day workshop Saturday and Sunday in the EMU, co-sponsored by the Oregon Labor Education and Research Center (LERC) and the Oregon Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW).

"The conference of workshops is being put on exclusively by and for the Oregon labor union staff members, local officers and for 'rank-and-file' union members to access the needs of working women in Oregon," according to Margaret Simeral, assistant professor of economics and vice-president of the Oregon Federation of Teachers. Simeral is in charge of the organizing of the event.

The workshops, which will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. features sessions on Women in Non-Traditional Jobs, Discrimination, Legislation and Current Issues, Lobbying and Legislative Priorities, Unemployed Women, Welfare and Female Headed Households, Nature of Women's Jobs and Implications for Organizing, Strikes, Demonstrations and Boycotts, Health and Safety of Women Workers, The Women's Movement and Organized Labor, Part-time Jobs, Job Sharing and Unions, Strikes and Grievances, Women in Leadership Positions: Making the Union Responsive, and Organizing and Negotiating.

"This conference is being held to develop organized structures and contacts for women in state meetings," says Simeral.

Simeral expects about 150 men and women from all occupations to attend.

"Session leaders for the event will range from Oregon women AFL-CIO staff members to ap-

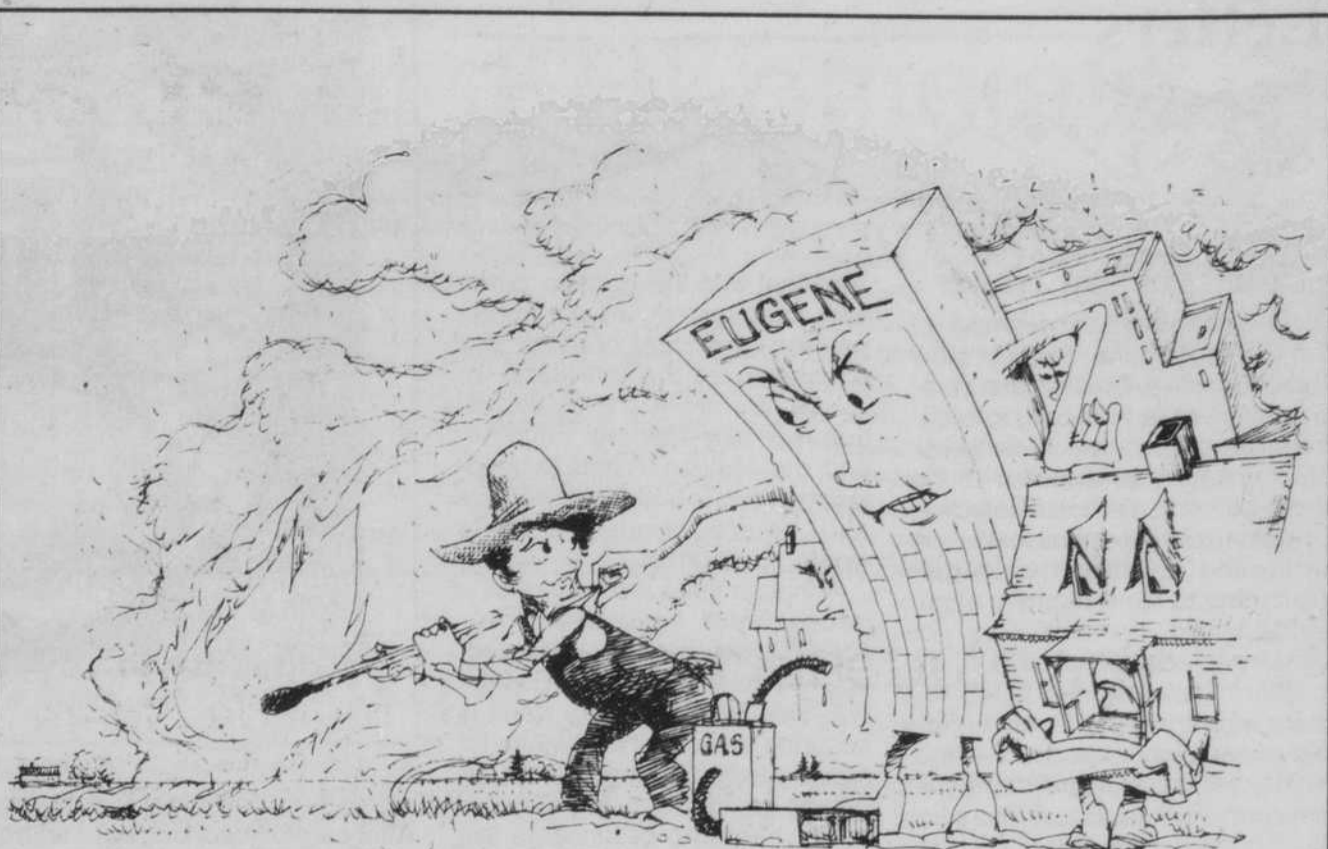
prentice steamfitters and plumbers," says Les Kellow, LERC staff member.

According to Steve Deutsch, LERC acting director, a research project on women in labor unions entitled: "Women Workers in Oregon — A Portrait in Time," will be distributed. It is a booklet compiled of facts and figures on the types of jobs employing women including non-traditional jobs and the approximate age groups and incomes of women connected with each occupation.

Other information to be distributed at the conference includes pamphlets on the Equal Rights Amendment, Childcare, Laws Concerning Job Equality and the Changes and Progress of Women in All Occupations in Oregon.

On Saturday evening beginning at 8 p.m., a series of films entitled "Union Maids," "The Emerging Woman," "Salt of the Earth" and "Right Wing Machine," will be shown in the EMU Forum.

Registration cost for the conference is \$5. Forms may be obtained in Room 154 PLC.



Drawing by Jim Payne

State's 180,000 acre limit on field burning rejected

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The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) turned down the state proposal allowing for 180,000 acres of field-burning this summer saying the proposal did not contain enough "reasonable measures" to control air pollution in the Eugene-Springfield area.

Donald Dubois, EPA regional administrator, told the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) officials Thursday that unless the state can come up with a new one-year plan acceptable to the EPA, field-burning will be held to the federal limit of 50,000 acres.

Dubois said the plan should consider a reduction in acres burned; limit burning near Eugene and Springfield on days when winds blow from the north; limit burning after rainfall; and require grass-seed growers to use alternative burning techniques to reduce pollution emissions.

Although some similar regulations were contained in the rejected plan Dubois said more stringent rules should be considered.

The field burning controversy began last year when the state legislature adopted a 180,000 acre limit which is in direct conflict with the federal 50,000 acre limit. The EPA said it would consider a one-year interim plan. However, state Attorney General Jim Redden ruled that before the 180,000 acre limit could be reduced in a com-

promise measure the EPA must first reject it.

So it's back to the drawing board for the DEQ, Environmental Quality Commission (EQC), Eugene city officials, and the grass seed industry.

The DEQ will present the current situation at the EQC monthly meeting today in Salem. A DEQ spokesperson said he doesn't think any decision making will take place tomorrow but a course of action will be decided on.

"If we can come up with more alternatives we can stick with 180,000 acres," he said.

An EPA spokesperson said Thursday that it is unlikely the EPA will accept any plan that does not cut down on the number of acres to be burned.

The EPA ruling was good news to Eugene officials who had voiced the same objections to the state plan.

"We are pleased to get some tangible validation of the Mayor and the council's (Eugene City Council) attitudes on air quality," city attorney Stan Long said.

Long said he will be attending the EQC meeting today and says the city would like to see more improvements made in how and when burning occurs. He would also like to see the acre amount reduced.

"If Eugene and the growers are able to come to terms, I'm fairly sure the EQC and the DEQ will accept those," Long stated reiterating Eugene's offer to meet with grass seed industry representatives.

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