

Veterans in quandary over aid cutback

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Veterans and School officials on campuses throughout the state are still unsure what effect nationwide cutbacks in the Veterans Administration will have in Oregon.

VA regional director Donna Arndt says her staff, some of whom are campus representatives at the University and other schools, must be reduced to meet a quota established by VA headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"But, I hope attrition will solve the problem," she says.

Others are not so sure, and

wonder if the regional office might not have a plan for dealing with cutbacks—including the removal of campus representatives.

"I'm hearing rumors on top of rumors. The latest rumor is that only some (of the campus representatives) will leave," says Allen Greenway, a Portland Community College official with that school's veterans' outreach program.

Greenway says he and other college officials have sent letters to elected officials, asking for confirmation of some of the rumors making the rounds.

"That may have caused the

second rumor," he says, hinting that the regional office originally may have planned to recall campus representatives but has since re-considered such action.

Bill Dobson, another PCC official, says representatives of the Oregon Veterans Civic Council recently asked the regional VA office when and if campus representatives will be withdrawn.

"They said it may happen, but that there's nothing formal yet," he says.

The OVCC, a group of individuals and organizations concerned with veterans, voted unanimously at a Sept. 24 meeting to send a

recommendation to the VA central office, "indicating that it was not pleased with the withdrawal of vet representatives," Dobson adds.

Lane Community College veterans have begun to organize in order to fight VA cutbacks and other problems confronting veterans.

"There seems to be several key issues. The one of most immediate concern is the removal of vet reps that got us rolling," says LCC student Ted Seal.

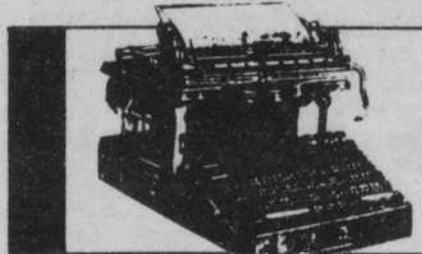
Staff at Congressman Jim Weaver's local office are also unsure about the regional office's plans.

Jim Russell, director of constituent services for Weaver, says he has yet to see a response to a letter seeking confirmation from Arndt as to her plans for veterans' campus representatives.

"We don't have a definite answer. All we have are suspicions," he says.

According to Russell, a reduction in staff by VA central office has resulted in raising a 1974 ratio of one representative for each 716 students to one for 832.

"I don't know when it becomes too heavy a load to handle, or when congressmen should intervene. I don't know," Russell says.



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In an attempt to put off recall efforts of "hippie" factions, Archie Whinestein died Thursday.

"His campaign managers say preliminary surveys show the strategy may have worked. 'It's too early to make any speeches yet,' said a Whinestein manager. 'But right now it looks like the recall try has been dropped.'"

A national Republican committee believes Fourth Congressional District candidate Jerry Louseman has a good chance of taking the office.

Mercenaries for Louseman, a local group hired to support the Candidate, has enough firepower to do the job, they believe.

Sports — One member of the Oregon football team, Elmo Philipski, exudes confi-

dence when he talks about his football ability.

"I believe in the absurdity of life," he says. "The main reason I came to Oregon is absurdity. I was going to go out of state, to a good school with a quality football team, but then I said 'What the hell' and came here."

Philipski has been consistently rated last on the Oregon team. He attributes his success to his attitude. "Life is a big joke," he says. "When I go out on the field I think of this and it gives me strength."

Members of the University team say they are "running for Christ", but Philipski refuses to file, and says he will not conduct a write-in campaign.

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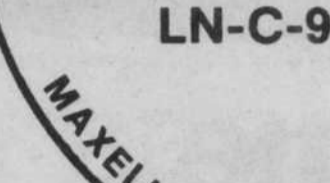
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