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 Sunday, January 23
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Says Watt will be replaced

Speaker blasts Watt, Reagan

By Tony Hazarian
 Of the Emerald

The dismissal of James Watt, Secretary of Interior, would not necessarily be a blessing for the nation's conservationists, because his replacement may be "someone slicker," says Andy Kerr of the Oregon Natural Resource Council Thursday night at the EMU.

"I don't think Watt's going to be here in a year, but the real question is who will replace him," Kerr said.

"Will it be someone slicker?" he said.

Calling the Reagan Administration "the worst environmental administration in many decades," Kerr said he can't imagine why there's such distaste directed at Watt and little at Pres. Reagan.

"Watt is doing what Reagan wants," Kerr said. "He's an agent for Ronald Reagan."

Kerr's talk concluded the two-day Wilderness Symposium at the EMU sponsored by the Survival Center and the Outdoor Program, which included multi-media slide shows and discussions examining the use of the Oregon wilderness.

While Reagan was achieving success with his

economic legislation, "he wasn't getting his environmental program passed," Kerr said. His poor conservation record wasn't enhanced when he recently became the first president to veto a wilderness bill when he turned down a bill in Florida, Kerr added.

The recent Oregon Wilderness Bill that failed to pass in the lame duck session of Congress will be reintroduced, Kerr said. The bill required a two-thirds vote in the lame duck session rather than a simple majority that is required in a regular session. The bill fell only 12 votes short, offering hope for its passage in the future, he added.

The Republican party has changed its ways from the days when it was "once the party of conservation" under Theodore Roosevelt, Kerr said, yet the current administration is not the first to put the nation's wildlands in danger.

"Ronald Reagan is not the opposite of Jimmy Carter," Kerr said. "These guys are simply in an administration that doesn't give us (conservation groups) a break."

"It was the Carter administration who wanted to put the MX on little railroad tracks and run it around (the Western states)."

Public busses new mall

Judging by Saturday's bus ridership, much of Eugene was curious to try out the newly remodeled Lane Transit District mall at 10th Avenue and Willamette Street.

The day of free bus fares attracted 12,000 riders — an increase of 88 percent over a normal Saturday, says Ed Bergeron, LTD marketing specialist. Some of the 18 buses on the road were packed to capacity while others, including those serving the Valley River shopping center, got heavy use.

Bergeron says public response has been positive to the new transit station and revised route system, which uses a colored symbol to designate each area of service.

For instance, all buses going to the University will leave from the brown duck station, while all River Road/Santa Clara-bound buses leave from the purple rhododendron station.

The \$600,000 transit station remodeling project included



Photo by Mark Pynes

Saturday's opening of the new LTD downtown transit station featured a day of free bus fares — and a ridership increase of 88 percent.

installing lights and protective shelters, widening sidewalks and landscaping the entire area.

"I think people will be a lot happier about riding the bus now that the transit station has a better atmosphere," says Bergeron. The old station was plagued with crowded sidewalks on 10th Avenue and the more complex route marking system.

Bergeron says riders on Saturday seemed well-prepared for the route changes and colored symbols. "And the bus drivers seemed to pick up on the public's enthusiasm."

A new customer service center is scheduled to open March 1 in a building on the southwest corner of 10th Avenue and Willamette Street next to the McDonald Theatre. Until then, fare tokens and schedule information are available in a back room facing 10th Avenue in that building.

Bus fares will increase from 50 to 55 cents next month because of increased operating costs. The increase, which has nothing to do with the remodeling project, has no effect on the 45-cent single token price or the \$18-monthly fast passes.

**"The Lost Arcade"
EMU Mural Contest**

ATTENTION ARTISTS
 The EMU Recreation Center is conducting a wall mural contest. The artist will paint the winning design on the Arcade wall outside the video game room. Payment will be negotiated. Designs will be judged by a panel of students and staff.
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