

Bouncer subdues gunman at campus area tavern

By Debbie Howlett
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A University student thwarted an armed robbery attempt at a campus-area tavern Wednesday night when he wrestled a man with a small caliber hand gun to the floor after the man demanded a bartender fill a brown paper bag with money.

Eugene police arrested a white male, Delbert Story, 308 South Fourth Street, Springfield, in connection with the incident, which occurred at 9:10 p.m., according to police reports.

According to witnesses, a "scruffy looking" man entered Old Taylor's tavern, 894 East 13th Avenue. The man walked up to the bar and asked for a paper bag. When bartender Alex Mohr handed the man the bag, the man pulled a gun from his jacket and demanded Mohr fill the bag with money, witnesses said.

A "pre-band crowd" of about 50 people

were in the bar when the man entered, Mohr said.

A band, The Nads, was scheduled to, and did, appear later that night.

The tavern's bouncer, Gene Pikkell, a University student, approached the man and asked for a \$1 cover charge, Karen Sherman, a University political science student, said. The gunman turned and "pointed the gun" at Pikkell, who grabbed the gun. With the aid of an unidentified customer, Pikkell wrestled the man to the floor and held him there until police arrived, she said.

"We have a hero on our hands," Sherman said.

Pikkell, who was on duty at the time of the incident, was given the rest of the night off and could not be reached for comment.

Mohr said he heard three "muffled" shots during the incident. "I was concerned someone had been shot," Mohr said.

No injuries from gunfire were reported, according to police reports.

Sgt. Richard Hansen, the police officer in charge at the scene, said "physical evidence — what appear to be bullet holes" indicated at least two shots were fired. A police department official in street clothes spent some time examining what appeared to be a crease, surrounded by burn marks, in the linoleum floor near the bar.

"Shots were fired" during the scuffle, said Jackie Lloyd, a University health education student, who was standing near Mohr when the gunman entered the tavern.

When Lloyd heard shots she "hit the floor," she said. "I heard someone say 'if you move, I'll kick your head in.'"

"I've been through this before... when I worked at a convenience store," Lloyd said, adding that she'd been "robbed once and mugged once."

"Everyone was under the tables or run-

ing to the bathrooms," Sherman said.

Lloyd described the gunman as "real transient looking," 45-50 years-old, with "stubble" on his face. She also said she thought he was wearing a blue "flight jacket."

"I remember he called Alex (Mohr) by name," Lloyd said. "I remember I wanted to give him (Mohr) a bad time about even the transients knowing him by name."

"I've never seen him before," Mohr said. "I was surprised more than anything." Mohr said the tavern had about \$150 on hand at the time of the robbery attempt.

"I'm still scared to death," Sherman said. Some customers remained in the bar after the incident and more customers entered the tavern while police inspected the scene.

According to Hansen another robbery occurred earlier that evening at 6:15 p.m. He said the two events appeared to be unrelated.

University Senate advocates student representation

By Doug Nash
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The University Senate decided Wednesday that students should retain their one-third proportion in the proposed reshaping of that body, but faculty response to the idea indicated divided opinion in the decisive University Assembly.

By a 25-9 vote, Senate members passed an amendment that would raise student representation in the new body to 14 from the eight originally suggested by a task force on faculty governance. The Student University Affairs Board introduced the amendment.

Faculty representation on the re-formed Senate would be cut by four, from 32 to 28. Presently, 18 SUAB members and 36 faculty members serve on the advisory-only Senate.

Although the SUAB amendment was approved, the vote indicated the measure will face a close decision in the faculty-dominated University Assembly Nov. 9. Senate faculty members in favor of the motion equalled those against, 9-9.

New governance rules would give a great deal of

legislative authority to the Senate, as only those measures without a two-thirds Senate majority would be referred to the University Assembly, which is made up of 18 students and about 900 faculty.

The University president or a group representing 10 percent of the faculty also could initiate measures in the assembly.

In arguing for the amendment, SUAB Chair Mike Prothe asked members to retain the one-third student proportion in the Senate, saying anything less would "severely hamper" effective student representation.

"We do see this (the original proposal) as a reduction in representation and in no way are we after any more power," Prothe said.

But some faculty members were afraid the same one-third proportion in a more powerful Senate would do just that: give students more power.

"In the current legislative body (the Assembly) the students have, in terms of real authority, less than .5 percent of the representation, I think," said English Prof. William Strange. "The task force increased that to 20 percent. This amendment would raise it to 33 percent.

"I think it's the kiss of death for the proposal," Strange continued. "I don't see how it's ever going to make it through the assembly."

Prothe disagreed, however, saying the SUAB number was arrived at after "lengthy, one-on-one meetings with over 100 faculty members."

In contrast, task force member and biology department head Sanford Tepfer said the original figure of eight students was arbitrarily decided.

"There was no survey," Tepfer said. "It was based on hearsay — a feeling of pulse, it is sometimes called."

Prothe argued the voting record of SUAB members proves SUAB is a responsible group. SUAB attendance at senate meetings has ranged from 85 to 90 percent, much higher than the 55 to 70 percent faculty attendance rate, he noted. In addition, the student representatives "vote with the faculty 90 percent of the time," he said.

Architecture Prof. John Reynolds concurred with Prothe's assessment.

"I would like to continue to learn by example by having the students remain one-third of this body," he said.

Morning bomb threat empties Condon Hall

By Paul Ertelt
Of the Emerald

A bomb threat forced the evacuation of Condon Hall Wednesday morning, but Eugene police and University security found no evidence of a bomb.

At about 10:20 a.m., a male caller told Condon Hall secretaries that a bomb had been placed in the building and would go off in an hour, said Eugene Police Sgt. Rick Allison. A fire alarm was sounded to evacuate the building.

Police and security officers searched the building and its surrounding grounds until almost noon, when they reopened the building.

Allison said two threatening calls were received "within minutes of each other." However, he did not know whether they came from the same person.

Bomb threats are a "normal event," Allison said, and occur "too often" on campus. But, he said, the chances of these threats presenting a real danger are very slim.

"We've never turned up a bomb in a bomb threat in the 15 years I've been on the force," he said.

Making such a threat is a class A misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$5,000 fine. Last year two students were arrested after a similar threat.

Actual bomb explosions on campus have come without warning, Allison said. These occurred during the campus unrest of the Vietnam era in the late 1960s, he said.

Then in 1970, a bomb exploded in Prince Lucien Campbell Hall, causing extensive damage. No one was injured in that explosion and no one was apprehended.

Award-winning writer to speak

Short story writer Mark Costello will present a lecture, a reading and two workshops during a visit to the University Nov. 1-3, sponsored by the University Creative Writing Program.

At 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, Costello will discuss the autobiographical aspects of his award-winning book, "The Murphy Stories," in a free public lecture in the EMU Forum Room.

Costello will also give a reading of his works at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, in the Forum Room.

An informal reception for the writer will be held from 3-5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, at the Collier House — also called the Faculty Club — at the corner

of 13th Avenue and University Street.

Two fiction workshops will be held for aspiring student writers. The first will be for graduate students at 7 p.m. Tuesday in 189 PLC, and the second, for undergraduate students, will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday in 313 Allen Hall.

Costello is the winner of the 1973 St. Lawrence Award for the best first book of short stories published in America. He has published works in several anthologies, including the Norton Anthology of Short Fiction and the Best American Short Stories. He currently teaches creative writing at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.

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anyone approaching their camp after three trucks that officials feared might be filled with explosives drove past.

Pentagon said the death toll from Sunday's terrorist bombing of a U.S. Marine command post rose to 214 as six more bodies were recovered and one man died of injuries in a military hospital in West Germany.

The suicide strike was carried out by a man driving a truck packed with a ton of explosives. It was the bloodiest attack against the U.S. military since Vietnam.

The driver of that truck hit the most vulnerable spot on the American compound, taking a route nearly free of security until the last few yards.

There were indications two sentry points were not manned when the attack came Sunday and that more than the usual number of Marines may have been sleeping in the building destroyed in the attack.

The terrorist drove his Mercedes truck down the main airport highway which skirts the compound. He passed only a

Lebanese army checkpoint, through which most vehicles are waved without stopping, before entering the airport employees' parking lot, according to most accounts.

The United States is now, with its invasion of Grenada, fighting — overtly or otherwise — in three places at one time.

And most of the world seems only to be able to wait and watch what happens in Grenada, in Beirut, in Central America, and in the United States.

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