

Reporter stalks campaigns

By Brooks Dareff
Of the Emerald

From Coos Bay to New York to Philadelphia to Chicago to the White House, political writer Steve Neal has penned a long road.

This year Neal, a University graduate, is on the campaign trail following the presidential candidates for the *Chicago Tribune*, for whom he worked as a White House correspondent from 1980-1983. This week and next he's in Oregon for the May 15 primary.

On Thursday Neal revisited the campus as the journalism school's ninth Ruhl Lecturer.

Neal reports on all the candidates but says the *Tribune* has felt a special obligation to Jesse Jackson because both call Chicago their home.

"I was the only reporter in April, 1983 with Jackson in North Carolina when he kicked off his southern crusade," Neal says.

Neal says he prefers the action and movement of a campaign to the relative placidity of White House coverage. And nothing has been more exciting or significant during the 1984 campaign than the emergence of Jackson.

"Jackson has incredible vitality. He's by far the best orator in the race," Neal says.

The national media has acknowledged Jackson's importance by giving him major exposure — even more than front-runner Walter Mondale.

"Jackson has been on four national covers in *Newsweek* and *Time* in the last year. Mondale hasn't had one by himself," he says.

Neal says Jackson's ultimate purpose in running is not to win or nab a vice presidential spot, but to enfranchise blacks into the power structure of national politics.

And Jackson has earned the notice of his more establishment opponents, who must respect his pulling power in the black community.

"He's trying to build a new base in the Democratic party. Since the 1930s blacks have been the most loyal of the constituencies of the Democratic



Steve Neal

Photo by Steve Crowell

Party — but have not been allowed to share in the power."

Jackson will try to build on his national stature by seeking concessions from Walter Mondale, the party's likely nominee.

"He'll want veto power over some of the appointments in the Mondale administration."

They'll likely be no vice-presidential spot for Jackson, Neal says. Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Goode could be Mondale's running mate, but the strongest ticket would be Mondale and Gary Hart. And Hart, who could draw cross-over Republicans and Independents and strengthen the ticket in the traditionally

Republican West, would probably relish such an offer.

"I think he does," Neal says. "He can't say it now. But if Hart still has presidential ambitions, seven of the last nine candidates who have either run for president or become president are former vice-presidents."

Neal says that while Pres. Jimmy Carter was a moderate-conservative, the race between Reagan and Mondale, a "traditional, (Hubert) Humphrey-style liberal... will be one of the most ideological in our history."

And while Reagan would win the election today, "I think he (Mondale) will give Reagan a good fight."

Saturn's moon needs a city; students needed to design it

Students who believe in extraterrestrial existences, thrive on all-nighters and have Titanic imaginations should check out an architecture school proposition.

Coordinator Mark Lakeman says all University students may participate in "Eden of Titan," a 16-hour charrette, or concentrated design effort in a limited period of time.

But sign-up closes tonight at 7 and the charrette begins at 8 p.m.

"The program is to design a society for 10,000 people on the largest moon of Saturn called

Titan — the only moon in the solar system with an atmosphere," Lakeman says.

"It's possible life exists there," he says.

If that thought doesn't spur your imagination, maybe the \$100 prize will.

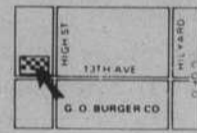
The Southwestern Oregon Chapter of the American Institute of Architects is putting up the \$100 for the team that can draw and create a city without slums, without poverty and with effective economic and transportation systems,

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Ruth Barnes Moynihan, Lewis

and Clark visiting history professor, has been selected as the 1984 Beekman lecturer. Moynihan is the author of "Rebel for Rights: Abigail Scott Duniway."

University History Prof. Richard Brown says students

from all majors would enjoy the lecture on Duniway, who started a weekly newspaper in Portland called "The New Northwest."

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