# Olum refuses to restore Commentator funds

#### By Jim Moore

Unless the publisher of the Oregon Commentator can find a new method of receiving incidental fees, the paper will have to seek other methods of funding for next year.

Stating an obligation to the present and future staff of the paper, Commentator publisher Dane Claussen unsuccessfully appealed to University Pres. Paul Olum to overturn ASUO Pres. Mary Hotchkiss' veto of an Incidental Fee Committee vote to fund the paper with \$5,000.

In a letter to Claussen, Olum said: "The procedure followed was, I gather, totally regular and in conformity with the legislation governing student affairs, and Mary had the legal right to veto the Incidental Fee Committee's decision. Consequently, I do not propose to take any action with respect to that decision.'

While not satisfied with the decision, Claussen said it was not unexpected. "I'm disappointed, generally, but not sur-

prised," he said. According to Claussen, Olum's decision was consistent with previous decisions by the president to not intervene in student government. "I fully appreciate and unders-

tand his point of view,' Claussen said.

Claussen didn't speculate where future funding for the Commentator might come from, but expressed doubt about receiving incidental fees. "I assume that (the appeal to

Olum) exhausts all of our avenues for incidental fee funding," he said.

Olum made two other points in his letter: that his decision was not based on personal opinion and that he does not rule out taking action regarding a decision of the student government.

"Whatever private views I may have in this matter, they are irrelevant to the central issue which is respect for an appropriate level of autonomy for student government," Olum

apartment.

said.

Also, "So that there be no misunderstanding, I should add that I do not mean to imply that I would never take any action with respect to a decision of student government. It might some time be necessary to do so, but that would only be in a case where I felt that a decision of student government had created some major jeopardy for University programs or for the future of student activities."

## Davis fills seven ASUO staff positions

ASUO Pres. Julie Davis has hired seven staff members for the 1984-85 year.

"We have a good group of uniquely qualified people," said Marc Spence, ASUO vice president and a member of the hiring committee. "Through their efforts, we're looking forward to a very productive year."

Joining Davis and Spence will be executive assistant Sherri Schultz, a junior in French and political science. Schultz served as executive assistant for the Hotchkiss administration and has been an intern for Congressman Jim Weaver.

Rebecca Roby, a junior in planning, public policy and management, and Scott Seibert,

an international studies junior, will coordinate state affairs, including a lobbying effort in Salem.

Roby served as the Survival Center's energy coordinator and has been a legislative intern in Salem. Seibert is the president of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, a member of University Democrats, and a former member of the State Board of Education.

Bill Snyder, Hotchkiss' student events coordinator, will hold that position in the Davis administration as well. Snyder is a sociology junior and a member of the Student University Affairs Board. Assistant events coordinator will be

Nilofar Kermanshahche, a graduate student in psychology who has worked with the Foreign Student Organization.

Tim Jordan will be coordinator of ASUO publications, including the ASUO news magazine Off the Record and the Survival Center's Oregon Advocate this year.

Ellen Nakamura, a finance junior, will coordinate this year's Minority Affairs Task Force. Nakamura is the current director of the Asian American Student Union.

The Davis administration will select coordinators of university affairs and finance by today, Spence said.

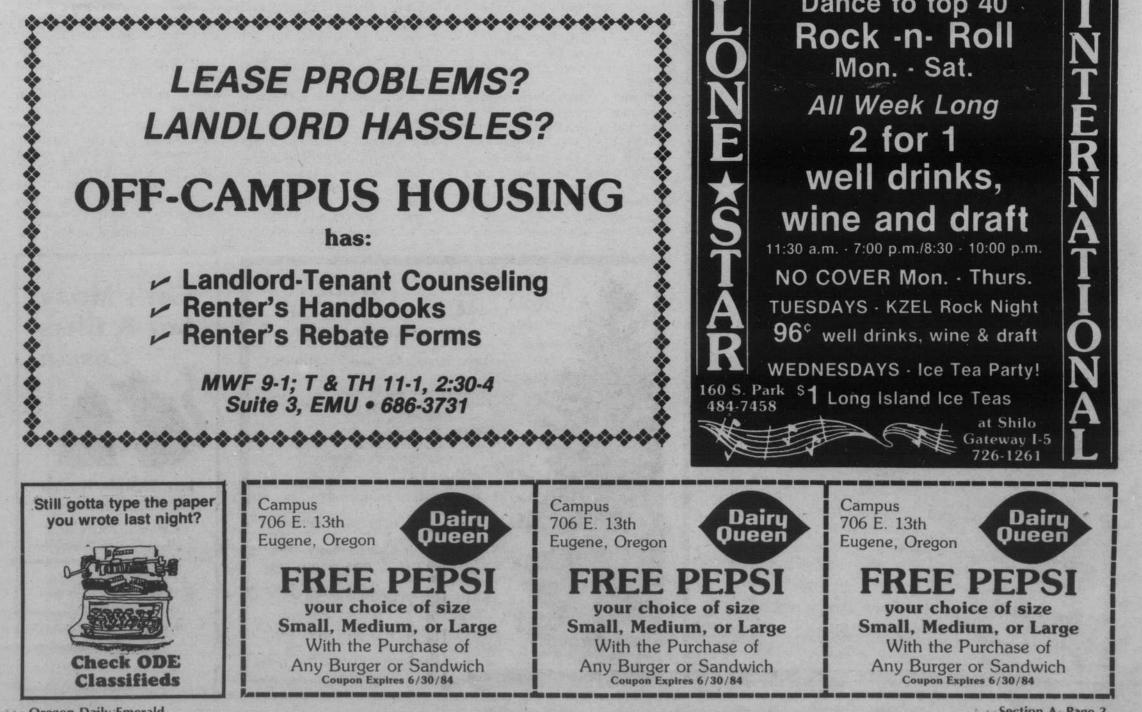
### Forum Lecture set

The last University Forum Lecture of the year will take place Tuesday, June 5, at 8 p.m., in the Eugene Conference Center in the Hilton Hotel lobby.

University Art History Prof. Leland Roth will show slides and play tapes of music by Johann Sebastian Bach, who composed his pieces to be

### Correction

Those eager to wish Donald Duck a happy birthday will have to wait a few hours today to sign his giant card and video-tape a personal greeting. The scroll and taping will be available from 1 to 3 p.m. in the EMU lobby - not 9:30 to 11 a.m. as previously printed



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