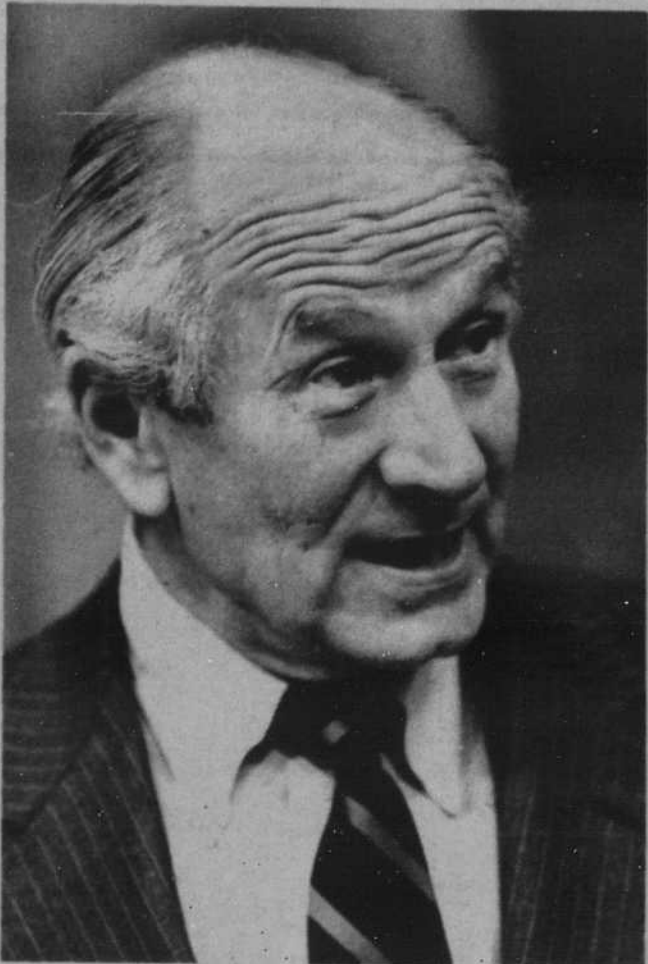


Chaos abounds, Weaver says

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The world is in a "state of chaos" and should use common sense or face the consequences, Rep. Jim Weaver said Thursday in the EMU Forum Room.

Weaver, the Democratic incumbent of Oregon's 4th District, was elected in 1974 and is running for his sixth consecutive term in the Nov. 6 election.



Jim Weaver

"I am reminded of the English buccaneers who plundered the Spanish silver galleons in the time of Queen Elizabeth, and they got rich," Weaver said. "Now, today, our buccaneers plunder nature to get rich."

Weaver said 7 percent of the world's tropical forests are dying each year, yet we keep pouring chemicals into the air. In the past two years, one-third of the German forests have also died, he

added.

In addition, the world's oil supply is just about gone, he said. "Perhaps we have 25 years of it left," he said. But because there is now a worldwide glut of oil, the major problem isn't oil supply but what to do with oil waste-products, Weaver added.

"We can't find places to bury the waste of the products we make from oil, so we use our air, land and water to dump it, while air, land and water are the essentials of life," he said.

"I ask now, when will we come to our senses? ... if we come to our senses," he said.

Weaver said that people are willing to destroy the environment to gain wealth.

"What's to cure all this if common sense won't?" Weaver asked. "Well, you can have your choice — a war, a depression or a police state."

"The world spends \$700 billion a year on weapons," he said. "Right now the world is at peace. We only have wars in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Chad, Morocco, Vietnam, Cambodia..." Weaver said with sarcasm. "But it's all right, because we're building more nuclear weapons."

Weaver said that 300 atomic bombs would easily destroy the world, but the United States has 10,000 nuclear missiles and is building more. Our country and the Soviet Union are both going broke in doing so, he said.

Eighty years ago, Pres. Theodore Roosevelt could go skinny-dipping in the Potomac River, Weaver said, but now the White House is an armed camp.

"Our beloved Capitol, once free and open to everyone, is now surrounded by guards and by concrete barricades everywhere."

Weaver spared little effort criticizing Pres. Ronald Reagan, calling him a president who "admits to being confused." He said Reagan whined about former Pres. Jimmy Carter's deficit and then proceeded to construct the largest federal deficit in the history of the United States.

"In one more year Reagan's deficit will amount to the entire deficits from George Washington through Jimmy Carter," Weaver said. He also said the interest on the national debt is \$53-billion a year, the second largest item in the U.S. budget; the military budget is the largest.

"I personally find a depression preferable to a nuclear war," Weaver said. "If we are broke, we won't be able to afford nuclear weapons."

"So, I ask, why not try common sense?"

Rape workshop to be offered

A workshop covering rape-prevention strategies and treatment for rape victims will be held at the Red Lion Inn, Oct. 27 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The workshop, sponsored by the University's department of human services and the Continuation Center, will feature three guest speakers.

The purpose of the workshop is to educate people on the behavior and personality traits of both rapists and victims, and on steps that can be taken to

reduce rape attacks, says Melodye Dabney, workshop coordinator.

Marcia Morgan, who has produced two films on rape and child abuse for the Alaska school system, will give an overview of the problem and present the film "The Reality of Rape."

Nadia Telsey, director of the Rape Crisis Network in Eugene, will present rape-prevention strategies. Gail Wiemann, a former president of the Oregon

Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, will focus on the effects of rape and treatment for victims.

Fees for the workshop are \$20 for University and Lane Community College students and \$47 for community members. Fees include workshop, lunch and material.

One hour of college credit is available. For more information, contact the Continuation Center at 686-4231, or Dabney at 485-8232 or 485-5847.

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