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Jack Kapuscinski, dressed in mock radioactivity protection gear, passes out fliers urging students to vote in favor of Measure 1 in Tuesday's special election.

Voters give easy approval to Hanford ballot measure

By Janet Paulson
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Oregon voters easily approved Ballot Measure 1 in Tuesday's special election allowing state officials to challenge selection of a nuclear waste dump site, while the school safety net measure passed by a smaller margin.

With 94 percent of the state's precincts reporting, yes votes led no votes 273,701 to 92,075 on Ballot Measure 1. Measure 2 was leading by a margin of 203,531 to 163,995.

In Lane County with 95 percent of the precincts reporting, Measure 1 was pass-

ing, 21,432 to 6,433, while Measure 2 was passing, 16,282 to 11,910.

Passage of Measure 1 will allow state officials to use whatever legal means are necessary to force the Department of Energy to comply with federal law regarding site selection for permanent disposal of nuclear waste.

The measure was referred to the voters as a result of DOE's consideration of the Hanford Nuclear Reservation as a permanent federal nuclear waste repository. Hanford is located in southeastern

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South African priest highlights links tying apartheid, economy

By Gary Henley
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The Rev. Colin Jones, an Anglican priest from South Africa who is visiting Eugene, said Tuesday that the United States must withdraw economic support from South Africa to end apartheid.

"As long as there is continued support, there is a certain feeling among whites (in South Africa) that 'we have friends somewhere out there,' and that must be discouraged," Jones said in an interview at the Koinonia Center Tuesday afternoon.

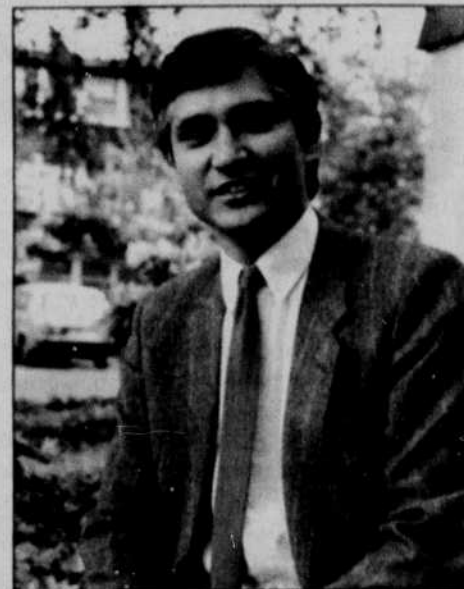
"There has to be an authentic attempt to withdraw support," he said. "Possibly not by the United States, but by just one country of real integrity in the West, and then America would feel it is wrong to be a part of the support."

Jones is in Oregon after accepting an assignment as guest pastor at Southminster Presbyterian Church in Beaverton, March 1 through July 12.

Jones is canon of St. George's Cathedral in Cape Town, where he is a co-chaplain to students at the University of the Western Cape. He is also a trustee for the Foundation for Peace and Justice and works under Archbishop Desmond Tutu of the Anglican Church of South Africa.

"America must take a serious look" at what its role in South Africa will be, Jones said.

He explained that the United States



Rev. Colin Jones

may be more concerned about the threat of communists in South Africa than presenting an image of "pro-peace and pro-liberty."

"People are asking why the Americans aren't there and the Soviets are. The Soviets are there because the Americans aren't," Jones said, adding that people "can't see through that."

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Report finds no alcohol, drugs

The toxicology report on athlete Jesse Nash came back Monday saying there were no alcohol or drugs in Nash's body at the time of his drowning.

Frank Ratti, deputy medical examiner for Lane County, said that a toxicology report is routine on accident victims to determine if there are any substances in the body at the time of the death.

Nash, a University basketball player, drowned in the Willamette River after falling from an inner tube May 10. Nash and Kenny Sprague, another University basketball player, were floating down the river on two tubes

just west of the Autzen Footbridge when Nash's tube flipped over, sending Nash into the water.

Nash resurfaced face down and then went under again, where he remained for about five to 10 minutes. Bystanders pulled Nash onto an island farther downstream and attempted to revive him but were unsuccessful.

According to the autopsy done last week by Lane County Medical Examiner Samuel Vicars, Nash suffered no injuries other than drowning. There were no marks on his body indicating that Nash had struck his head on any submerged rocks or trees.

Student calls car impoundment painful, time-consuming

By Sarah Mensah
Of the Emerald

When University student Marilinn Munson returned to her off-campus apartment, her car was missing from the lot where her rental company had authorized her to park. Her roommate said it had been towed.

Munson's experience added her name to a growing list of students who believe they have been victimized by towing companies and who must dish out \$45 to \$100 to get their cars back.

ASUO Legal Services attorney Karsten Rasmussen said he gets four or five complaints each month from students who think they've been victimized by towing companies.



Photo by Maria Corvallis

Many students have complained that Master's Towing Service charges exorbitantly high rates for car retrieval.

Students commonly get towed when they visit off-campus friends and park in an apartment lot that has clearly posted signs that say "no parking,"

Rasmussen said.

"In this case, the student is clearly in violation," he said. "However, if there is no sign posted it is no legal tow."

The real problem occurs when students are forced to pay expensive fees to retrieve a car. The fees may be as high as \$100 and usually must be paid in cash.

According to Rasmussen, if students believe a car has been towed illegally, they have two legal options to follow. The first is to ask the city police to investigate the tow, although this is a lengthy and time-consuming process that is sometimes not completed, Rasmussen said.

The second option is to file a lawsuit against the towing company. This can lead to expenses above the car-retrieval cost. "Not many students have the time, money or energy to pursue either process," Rasmussen

said. "It's just not realistic to expect students to do this, and the towing companies know it."

"They set the price of the tow so high it's enough to make you mad, but not high enough for you to go to the expense of fighting it," he said.

Eugene Police Department records specialist David Beaver said all towing companies operate independently within the city of Eugene. Almost all have contracts to work with the police department, he said.

According to Beaver, the towing company has to call the police before they tow a car.

"They have to do this so we have a record of where the car is. Otherwise, we might think it

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