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## Senate upholds veto of Pelosi bill Chinese students lead angry reaction

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The U.S. Senate Thursday upheld President Bush's November veto of the Pelosi bill protecting Chinese students from deportation and political harassment.

The vote was 62-37, four short of the two-thirds margin needed to override a presidential veto. Oregon Sens. Mark Hatfield and Bob Packwood voted to uphold the veto.

The reaction among Chinese students is one of disappointment, said University graduate student Tang Zizhou, "because it's sending the wrong signal to the Chinese government."

"The Chinese government can make something big out of this and fool a lot of people back home, because they certainly don't know how American politics functions," Tang said.

"Although the override failed, this has given President Bush a strong message he can't do anything he wants," said Wu Xianggu, president of the University's Chinese Student and Scholar Association.

The Senate has "done a general disservice to the concept of democracy by upholding the veto," said ASUO Vice President Scott Wyckoff.

"Considering how quickly it passed in the House, and given the magnitude, I don't understand how it died in the Senate," Wyckoff said.

The House voted 390-25 on Wednesday to crush Bush's veto, which affects about 40,000 Chinese students studying in the United States.

Introduced by Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Cal.), the bill would have given Chinese students four more years to apply for new visas.

Bush vetoed the measure on Nov. 30 after it unanimously passed both the House and Senate. Chinese student groups had lobbied hard for an override, saying many of them would face political persecution at home because they supported the pro-democracy demonstrations that brought a violent government crackdown.

"The argument of the administration and some senators was, if (the override) passed, the Chinese government might react and cut off all

cultural exchange programs," Tang said.

"I think Bush thinks what he does here would ultimately affect" Chinese government decisions, he added.

However, "The old men of the Chinese political stage don't really care what Americans think," Tang said. "They make their own decisions."

But they might consider the Senate defeat as U.S. kowtowing to the Chinese government.

Moreover, "In some way Bush may have saved the face of Chinese leaders," Wu said.

When Bush vetoed the bill, he ordered government agencies to adopt what he contends are essentially the same safeguards. Just before the Senate vote, Bush had renewed his promise that students would be fully protected even without the legislation.

"I think he's paying lip service to make sure his approval ratings stay high," Wyckoff said, adding if Bush were really concerned, he would have signed the Pelosi bill into law to begin with.

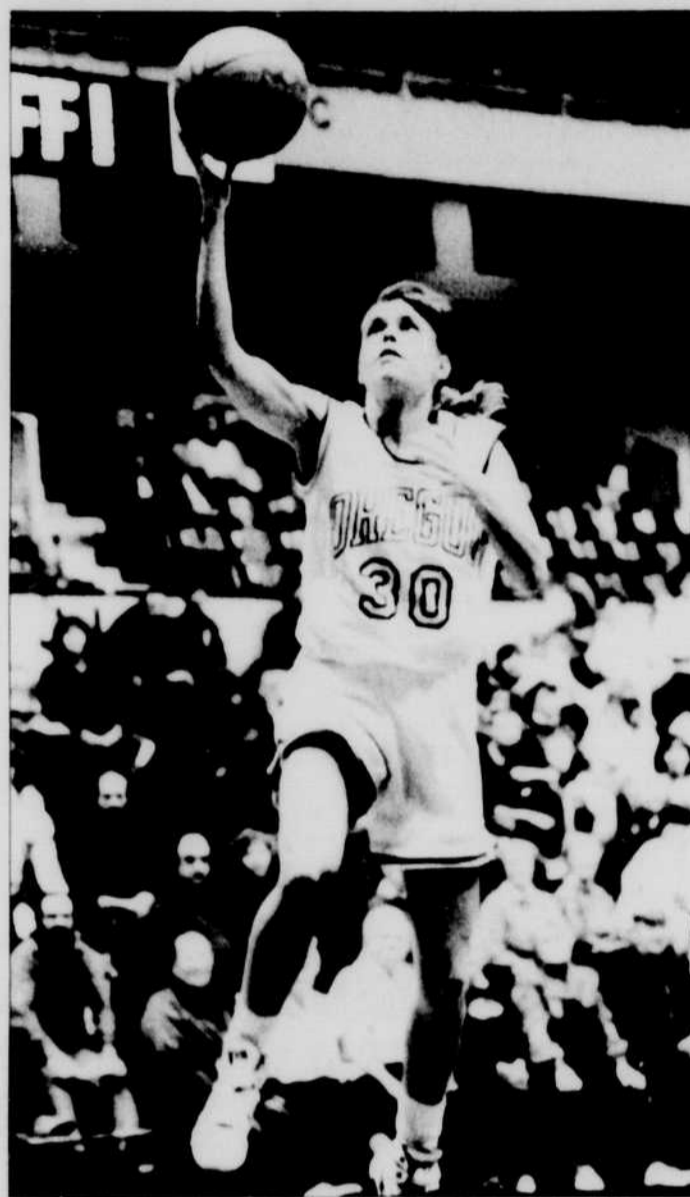
"Now he expects us to believe the offers of protection. What good is his word?" Wyckoff asked.

Moreover, what's holding the current leaders in power "are tanks and lies, and the people simply do not buy what the government's saying," Tang said.

Bush and the supporting senators are more concerned with economic interests than in human rights, in China as elsewhere, and in doing so are playing with people's lives, said Armando Morales, United States Student Association Northwest Pacific vice chairman.

The senators who voted to uphold the veto sent "a clear signal to the tyrants in China, telling them they can go out and kill people — and the U.S. will back them up," said Kelvin Wee, USSA's international student representative on the board of directors.

Those senators also clearly were not representing their constituents, Wee said, "because it is clear the people in Oregon are supportive of human rights, even if the Senate is not."



### Perfect

Michelle Eble drives for an uncontested layup during the Ducks' Thursday night drubbing of USC in McArthur Court. In the game, Eble was a perfect 8-8 from the field, including three from three-point range. For more details, see page 9.

Photo by Sean Poston

## Crisis Center will offer annual trauma workshop

By Brian Bloch  
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For most students, college is a time of radical life changes, and with those changes come stress, insecurity and anxiety.

The University Crisis Center will host its annual crisis prevention workshop Feb. 3 to help students better deal with these and other problems most often arising during this transitional time.

The all-day "Mending the Hurt" workshop allows students and the public to choose three sessions featuring 90-minute presentations from volunteer University and community health professionals.

Vietnam veteran and trauma expert Steven Tice will open the workshop with a presentation dealing with the trauma healing process.

"All of our presenters are volunteers. They really care about the subjects they're addressing," said Crisis Center Director Nancy Kemp. "Because they actually want to be there, the energy brought to the workshop is very high."

The cost of the workshop is limited to the \$10 cost of a handbook available at the University bookstore. Academic

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## Winter Symposium focuses on epidemic

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The ASUO Winter Symposium, part of AIDS Information Month, will emphasize the importance of clarifying stereotypes, myths, and fears many college students and community members have in regard to the AIDS epidemic.

AIDS is an increasing problem among college students, said Kris Peterson, ASUO programs coordinator.

"By 1991, HIV will be the number one killer among college aged students," Peterson said, referring to a statement by the National Center for Disease Control.

The purpose of the winter symposium is to focus on many communities and issues affected by AIDS, ASUO president Andy Clark said.

"ASUO can provide information, resources, and tools for people," he said. "Whether or not they take advantage of it is

up to them."

The following events will take place today:

- 11 a.m. to noon: "Homophobia and HIV" Chris Johnson from the Multnomah County Health Department will discuss the strategies behind HIV and homophobia. Ben Linder Room.
- Noon to 1:30 p.m.: Keynote address by Catlin Fullwood, director of People of Color Against AIDS Network. EMU Ballroom.
- 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.: "Volunteer opportunities in AIDS service organizations" Janet Winter from Lane County Public Health Department will inform students of volunteer services dealing with AIDS prevention and fear of HIV positive people. Maple Room.
- 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.: "Substance use and the HIV infection" Shanti and Cris Cullinan Office of Drug and Alcohol Programs conduct a workshop on how to avoid HIV infections

from unsafe sex and substance abuse. Maple Room.

- 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.: "Safer sex workshop for women" Claudia Webster, HIV education manager of the Oregon Health Division, presents a workshop focusing on ways women can protect themselves from HIV transmission through communication and safer sex. Ben Linder Room.

The following events will take place on Saturday, January 27:

- 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: "When a friend is HIV positive" Shanti addresses ways for family, friends and loved ones to help HIV positive people through intimacy and communication. Maple Room.
- 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: "Media and HIV" Claudia Webster addresses ways the media is used to promote AIDS awareness and critiques media portrayals of the epidemic. Oak

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