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Briefly

CHICAGO (AP) — The American Medical Association overwhelmingly supported testing and possible use of a controversial French abortion pill, drawing praise from abortion rights groups Wednesday and angering anti-abortionists.

Members of the AMA, the nation's largest doctors association, say the pill — called RU-486 — appears to be safer and cheaper than surgical abortion and may also be useful in treating brain tumors, breast cancer and other illnesses.

The committee presented its support to the AMA House of Delegates, whose 436 members approved the measure by voice vote Tuesday afternoon.

TAMPA (AP) — Financially troubled Florida Federal Savings Bank was sentenced Wednesday to pay \$8.2 million in restitution and fines for a \$35 million student loan fraud.

Prosecutors said it was the largest case of student loan fraud to be prosecuted in this country.

Instead of contacting students who failed to repay their loans, Florida Federal employees faked doing the work, prosecutors said. Then, after the falsified data was put into a student's file, the bank submitted the information for reimbursement to the U.S. Department of Education under the federally insured student loan program.

Prosecutors claimed the bank and its officers filed about 17,000 bogus insurance claims between November 1986 and July 1987. They said the thrift sought \$35 million from the Education Department as reimbursement for supposedly defaulted student loans on which the bank did not try to collect.

Entertainment

Johnny Winter and guests Jimmie Wood and the Immortals, Sunday, July 1 at the Eugene Hilton Ballroom, 66 E. 6th Ave. The show begins at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$12.50 in advance, available at GI Joe's/Ticketmaster outlets and the EMU Main Desk, 21 and over.

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Weather



Mostly cloudy Thursday, some morning drizzle or light rain. Highs 70-75. Friday, morning clouds becoming mostly sunny in the afternoon. Highs 75-80.



Photo by Sean Poston

Sunny Harmon, 48, is escorted to a police van Tuesday after she and 15 others were arrested for trespassing on the grounds of the Opportunity Shelter.

Shelter protesters arrested

Unsanitary conditions cited by administrators

By Christopher Blair
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Eugene police cited or arrested 15 people Tuesday for camping on the lawn of the recently closed Opportunity Shelter, located at 19th Avenue and Pearl Street.

The campers, most of whom were homeless mothers who had lived in the shelter until it closed June 15, had been camping on the site in tents, living mostly with the help of donations of food and money from community members.

The Opportunity Shelter had been open for the last two winters, but closed when the Lane County Board of Commissioners, who had leased the shelter building from the Eugene School District, voted to redirect funds

to other homelessness programs.

Police first arrived at about 6:45 p.m. and informed campers that they were violating city trespass ordinances. Seven people who refused to leave were cited for second-degree criminal trespassing and released.

A crowd remained on the grounds after the arrests, including five who had been previously cited. The police arrived again shortly before midnight and arrested 10 people, including the five who were cited earlier.

Those arrested were arraigned Wednesday at 1 p.m., but probably would not be jailed, said Tim Birr, information officer for the Eugene Police Department.

None of those arrested could be reached for comment, but many had previously said arrests would be the only way to make them leave the shelter grounds.

"We're not accepting it," said Michele

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Remodeling alters library desk service

By Christopher Blair
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Students wishing to use the Science Library after July 4 will have to ask staff to retrieve books while the library reshelves its collection.

The library will be closed beyond its circulation desk beginning July 5.

To use the library, patrons can ask staff at the desk to retrieve books or periodicals from the library's collection. A Janus computer terminal will be available at the desk to search for materials.

A photocopier will also be available at the front desk.

"We deeply regret the inconvenience, but in order to move the collection, it's going to be necessary," said George Shipman, University librarian.

From July 5 to about July 25, staff will be moving books, other publications, furniture and equipment throughout the entire library, making the restricted service necessary.

"We have patrons who really do need to use the collection in the Science Library," Shipman said. "For that reason the repairs should be completed before the three weeks listed."

The library has been expanded by several thousand square feet, including more shelf and floor space, Shipman said a "spread out" collection is easier to use, both for patrons and for library staff adding new materials.

The Science Library's hours of 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. will not change.

Reviews mixed for Bush's timber plan

By Pat Malach
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The Bush administration announced Tuesday that federal timber sales in the Northwest will continue at their present rate through Sept. 30, the end of the U.S. Forest Service's 1990 fiscal year.

The president's plan disregards the recommendation of a panel of government scientists to put an additional 3 million acres of old growth off-limits to logging starting immediately. Also under the Bush plan, the endangered species committee would be permitted to grant exceptions to logging bans.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter and Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan Jr. presented the plan, which also calls for support of legislation to prevent court challenges to timber sales offered by the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management.

The administration's plan calls for legislation banning log exports from state-owned lands as well.

In a separate move, Bush banned new oil drilling off a large part of the U.S. coast until the year 2000, claiming that the environmental impact of such drilling needs more study.

Environmental groups were angered by the administration's decision not to immediately adopt the scientists' recommendations for saving the northern spotted owl's habitat.

"This is an attempt by the administration to dump their responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act," said Andy Kerr of the Oregon Natural Resources Council. "(Bush) says he is the environmental president. He says he cares about owls but he preserves the status quo and the owl moves toward extinction."

Kerr said his group would fight the plan in court because the "politically tough" administration was "choosing to break the law."

"Politicians love to vote for environmental laws but they



File photo

Timber industry workers are generally pleased with President Bush's plan to save the northern spotted owl while preserving as many jobs as possible.

don't want to pay the economic price when it comes to enforcing them," Kerr said. "What good are environmental laws if you can't enforce them?"

Barbara Kelley of the Save Our Ecosystem office in Eugene said the new plan proved that Bush's claim to be the environmental president was a smoke screen that he used to win election. "He favors big business and he will do whatever they ask for," she said.

Lovina Ford, whose husband and son own and operate F&F Logging, said that although the timber industry is still trou-

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