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Briefly

What began as a protest more than one month ago ended in three arrests early Thursday morning outside of the Lane County Courthouse in Eugene.

Wayne W. Semancik, 24, Cynthia F. Straight, 46, and Eric Stauffer, 19, were arrested by Eugene police around 5 a.m. for camping outside the Federal Building, at 125 E. Eighth Ave.

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Entertainment

This Sunday, students will get to hear one of the pioneers of hard core alternative rock as The Bob Mould Band, on a promotional tour of their newest Virgin release, makes their second appearance at the University in the EMU Ballroom.

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Sports

Oregon's men and women's cross country teams will be confronting the ghosts of last year's performance when they go to the Region VIII meet in Fresno, Calif., on Saturday.

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Almanac

Today is the last day to withdraw from courses with a recorded "W" and the last day to change grade options and to change credits in classes with variable credit. There is a \$10 fee per change.

Student tickets for the Oregon-Oregon State football game in Corvallis on Nov. 17 will go on sale Monday at 9 a.m. at McArthur Court. There are 500 tickets available at \$12 each. Students will be allowed to purchase only one ticket each and must present current fee cards at the ticket window.

Regionally

PORTLAND — A ban on oil or gas exploration within three miles of shore is part of what Oregon officials say is the nation's first comprehensive ocean management plan.

The plan approved Thursday by the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission outlines policies for state agencies on nearly all commercial, scientific and recreational use of the Pacific Ocean to the three-mile state limit.

University enrollment highest in state

By Bob Waite
Emerald Reporter

The University is the state leader in total student enrollment, according to preliminary statistics compiled by the state system of higher education.

Full-time equivalent student statistics, used to calculate state funding for universities and colleges, will not be available for several weeks, said Susan Weeks, state institutional researcher. But preliminary student enrollment totals are available.

The higher education board, reversing its mandate to reduce student enrollment, required the state system's eight colleges and universities to increase enrollment this year to compensate for tuition and athletic scholarship revenue shortfalls, said Norman Wessells, University provost.

There are still some problems to be resolved in order to accurately report student enrollments, said University researchers, who are in the midst of a conversion to

computerized data reporting systems

Both Oregon State University and the University reported slight enrollment increases for fall 1990. Portland State University, which lagged behind the University and OSU in the past, passed OSU enrollment last year, but reported a decline this year.

After four weeks of school, the University reported 18,043 students, a 1.2 percent increase over 17,818 students last year. OSU reported 16,024 students, up 0.5 percent over 15,958 students last year. PSU reported 14,758 students, down one half of a percent from 14,838 students last year.

All three universities reported increases in minority and foreign students this year. OSU showed 3,244 students in those categories this year, compared to 3,035 students last year. The University showed 2,910 students this year, up from 2,803 students last year. PSU reported 2,482 students this year, compared to 2,330 students last year.

Because some students choose not to re-

port their race, it is difficult to tell exactly how many minority students are enrolled, said Mary Ricks, PSU director of institutional research planning.

Ricks said PSU places all students who do not declare their race in the white student category when asked for general statistics. Attorneys suggested this method, Ricks said, so that the university does not report false minority student statistics.

University enrollment has surpassed that at OSU since 1984, said Gary Beach, OSU institutional research coordinator.

"It runs in cycles," Beach said. "The swing now is for students to go after liberal arts degrees. Businesses want students who have a diverse background."

"We have the largest foreign student contingent of any state university," Beach said. "But that fluctuates as well - in '87 UO did."

"We have the population base here in

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PHOTOGRAPHY AND THE ENVIRONMENT:



From Response to Responsibility



Photography and the Environment

Tracy McEwan, student in the master of fine arts program, is co-chairing a regional conference being held on campus this weekend called "Photography and the Environment: From Response to Responsibility." The conference, sponsored by the Society for Photographic Education features nationally renowned photographers, including Linda Connor, Richard Misrach and University professor Dan Powell. The conference includes an exhibit of photos in the LaVerne Krause Gallery that will run through Nov. 16.

Photo by Sean Poston

'Witch-goddess' stresses ties to nature

By Carrie Dennett
Emerald Reporter

Society's failure to protect the environment is destroying the very thing that keeps us alive, said Starhawk, a "witch-goddess" who gave a speech on campus Thursday as a fundraiser for a student group.

Starhawk, based in San Francisco, is an ecofeminist, social activist and author of several books. She was billed as "Witch-goddess of the ancient craft that honors nature and the power of women."

Today, many people fail to see the life value of the earth. "We are literally destroying our own life systems and ignoring it," she said to about 350 people in 150 Columbia.

The event, a benefit for Student Campaign for Disarmament, ended with about half the audience participating in a spiral dance, a ritual that Starhawk used as the title of one of her books.

She said at one time in ancient history, the universe was



'Witch-goddess' Starhawk reads from one of her books on campus Thursday.

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