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Briefly

Contrary to some students' beliefs, the evaluations they are asked to fill out near the end of each term rating professors and classes do get read. They play an important role in deciding which faculty members receive tenure and pay raises.

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A teach-in has been scheduled for Friday so students and faculty can learn about the Persian Gulf crisis. A rally, two symposiums and a series of 17 workshops are part of the national campus movement, which comes on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

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Nationally

HONOLULU (AP) — The first Marine to refuse deployment under Operation Desert Shield was granted an administrative discharge Wednesday, Marine Corps officials announced.

Court martial proceedings against the Marine, Jeff Paterson, were dismissed under the agreement. In return, Paterson will halt all legal action against the Corps stemming from its rejection of his request for conscientious objector status, said a military spokesman and Paterson's attorney.

Paterson had his rank reduced from corporal to lance corporal under the agreement.

Community



After a bitter two year strike at Springfield's Morgan-Nicolai plant, the pickets are gone, but bitter memories and feelings still exist.

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Sports

The Oregon men's club soccer team finished the season 7-2-1 and is looking forward to a successful spring campaign. The Oregon team has already started to practice for the spring season.

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Academic freedom



Photo by Eric Evans

James Phelps, a third year law student, addresses an academic freedom rally held yesterday in the law school courtyard. After the rally, a panel discussion on academic freedom was held.

Panel, rally focus on academic freedom

By Daralyn Trappe
Emerald Reporter

Sensitivity workshops for faculty members, an academic freedom teach-in, and a coalition of student groups to fight discrimination on campus were all suggestions that came out of a discussion on discrimination and academic freedom, Wednesday.

The panel discussion and the rally that preceded it were held in response to the public apology law school instructor Greg Johnson was asked to make after discussing his homosexuality in a class lecture. That part of the discussion followed a

class lecture on a Supreme Court case regarding gays and lesbians and also coincided with National Coming Out Day.

After several students complained, Law School Dean Maurice Holland, Associate Dean Chapin Clark and Johnson's supervisor, professor Mary Lawrence, asked Johnson to apologize in class to the offended students.

The apology request touched off a wave of protest from many University students, with the University's Gay and Lesbian Alliance and the ASUO calling for either the resignation or firing of Holland, Chapin and Lawrence.

Wednesday's rally was attended by about 60 people, many of whom expressed anger at what they see as discrimination. The call for the resignations of those involved in the apology request was also reaffirmed.

"It is important that (Dean Holland) be held accountable to the students here at the University," said Sue Dockstader, GALA director.

"In his silence, he has informed us all of exactly how he feels," said James Phelps of the Gay and Lesbian Law Student's Association.

After Johnson's lecture, several students complained that

they had been uncomfortable with the direction of the discussion, and felt they were being "held captive." Dockstader said that gays and lesbians often experience that feeling in classes taught from the perspective of a heterosexual.

Phelps said he "expects people to be as tolerant of my views as I am of theirs."

But law student Tom Franken took the microphone and said he had an "angry view of the gay and lesbian community" and did not want to see them "sacrifice the U of O Law School to further their own per-

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South Africa divestment to be complete in 1992

By Bob Waite
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The University will be free of South African investments by February 1992, according to a plan approved by the State Board of Higher Education.

Approved by the 11 member board at the Nov. 16 meeting in Corvallis was a divestiture plan created by Weldon Ihrig, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration, and Steve Katz, the board's chief financial officer.

Ihrig, Katz and Eric Ward, University Black Student Union vice president, agreed the 1987 Oregon State Legisla-

ture required all state organizations to divest from South Africa. But Ward said he thought the divesting of the state system of higher education's South African investments was already completed.

"I was told by Students Against Apartheid last year that they had already divested," Ward said Wednesday. "This is surprising news."

"Adjustment from one fund to another must be done gradually in order to minimize loss to endowment funds," Ihrig said. He said the state system of universities and colleges has a dual responsibility to manage monies well, and to comply with the legislature.

Endowment funds are used for scholarships, donor supported programs, and additional support for faculty programs, Ihrig said.

The funds will be shifted at about 25 percent per quarter, Katz said. Common Fund, an investment organization that specializes in non-sensitive investments, will begin assuming management of the funds, said Katz.

With a list of corporations and other investments tied to South Africa, Common Fund invests in other ventures and avoids dealing with firms on the list, Katz said.

While some state board members have requested getting out

of South African investments several times in the past 10 years, Katz said the 1987 legislature provided the final impetus.

"So far there has been no loss of funds," Katz said, because the investment shift is being done prudently. He said he believes there should be a negligible or no loss of revenue once the shift is complete.

"I think it shows the white privilege of the state system to disinvest in a way that is convenient," Ward said.

"They don't look at the moral issue and say, 'We need to divest immediately because of crimes against humanity,'" he added.