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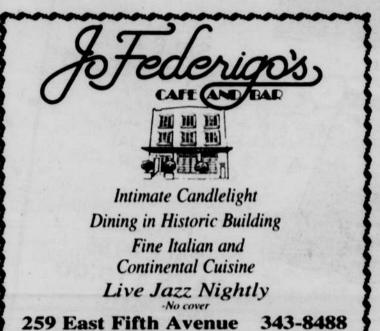
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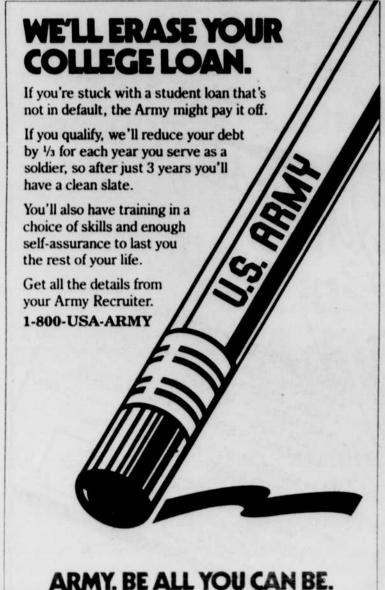
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tee where she hopes to promote education and drug and crime prevention programs. In addition, she said she would like to see more flexibility in the sentencing of criminals.

Bell is also on the Housing and Urban Development Committee and the State and Federal Affairs Committee. Bell said she expects the focus of the Housing and Urban Development Committee to be on finding ways to create more low-in-

come housing.

Bell said she would like to see the State and Federal Affairs Committee deal with the lottery. She said she is not a "fan of the lottery" because the lottery is mostly played by lower income people who end up paying for the services of every-

Moreover, Bell said she wants to take a close look at elections and said she is leaning toward a limit on campaign spending. She also said she would like to increase representatives terms from two to four years. Another area Bell is concerned about is ethics questions.

"People are using ethics charges for a campaign technique," she said. "Somehow we need to protect innocent

Bell said to eliminate this problem she thinks ethics charges against candidates and public officials should be kept private and out of the media until a verdict is reached on each case.

Although Bell will work with Edmunson on the Judiciary Committee, her idea of what the Judiciary Committee should accomplish varies from Edmunson's. Edmunson said he plans to propose a bill that would legalize the use of peyote for religious services. Bell said she would not support the proposal because she believes government needs to protect society by keeping peyote il-

However, Edmunson has other plans that include trying to improve the court system in Lane County. Edmunson said the courts have too heavy a case load and that there is "a real threat" to the court system because of the money that may be lost as a result of Measure 5.

Edmunson is also on the Labor Committee that deals with workers compensation laws. wage lean laws and other employment laws. Edmunson said last session the Labor Committee was the one responsible for raising the minimum wage.

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the cuts on higher education." While Measure 5 and budget cutting will keep the Ways and Means Committee hopping, the senate Labor Committee which Kerans and Hill were

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also appointed - will be a "quiet committee," Hill said.

Kerans, who will be the Labor Committee chairman, said privacy in the workplace will be an issue during this legislative session.

"Things like employment monitoring and testing, psy-

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chological exams, credit investigations and handwriting analyses will be looked at," Kerans

Agricultural safety laws and displaced workers' unemploy-ment insurance will also be concerns of the Labor Committee, he said.

Hill, who was co-chairman of the senate Water Policy Committee in 1989, was appointed last week to head the group this session. Like the Ways and Means Committee, this group will face difficult issues this term ranging from depleting salmon runs to staving off a possible Californian demand to reroute water from the Columbia River.

"In the past, water has been treated as a commodity to be consumed," Hill said. "Our present water laws are from the 1800s. It's time to bring them up to date to protect the freeflowing waters and the wildlife that depends on that."

Sen. Peg Jolin, 38, a Democrat from Dist. 22, was appointed to three senate committees.

As chairwoman of the Telecommunications and Consumer Affairs Committee, Jolin said she wants to work for better phone service for rural areas around the state.

'In many rural areas we don't have access to call waiting and some are still on party lines," she said. "I want to open those rural areas up and begin promoting direct access to the telecommunications system.'

On the Business, Housing and Finance Committee, Jolin hopes to focus on the lack of affordable housing for low-income families and to work for more regulation in the savings and loan industry on a state level "to disallow what we have seen happen in the past.'

Jolin will a senate Trade and Economic Development Committee, which she said will deal with a variety of issues ranging from job retraining and unemployment extensions to child care programs.



