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Students to rally Friday against tuition hike

□ Rally-goers will protest a proposal to increase tuition in 1993 school year

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Students, faculty and staff from colleges and universities around Oregon will rally on the steps of the State Capitol in Salem Friday at 1 p.m. in response to a proposed 1993 tuition increase of \$1,400.

Friday's rally will be aimed at per-

suading the Oregon Legislature to find revenue replacement to make up for the loss of general funds caused by Measure 5.

Budget cuts of \$600 million last year resulted in reduced enrollment, program cuts and increased tuition at the University and other public colleges and universities.

In 1993, the budget will again be cut, this time by \$1.2 billion, said Cassandra Wozniak, a student at Oregon State University who works for Students of Oregon United to Rescue College Education (SOURCE).

Wozniak says students at Oregon State organized SOURCE in response to an administrative statement about possible cuts that "proposed what OSU would look like in the year 2000." She said administrators told students they have more power to change things than the administration has.

Brian Hoop, a member of the University's Student Coalition for Higher Education, said rallies are "absolutely crucial" in efforts to control tuition increases. Hoop said the legislature won't act in favor of higher education until they are convinced students are hurting because

of the cuts.

"We need to affect the judgment of our legislature," said Matt Cox, ASUO student affairs coordinator. Cox said Gov. Barbara Roberts understands the needs of higher education, but leaders such as House Speaker Larry Campbell have been less than sympathetic.

"They want to see blood in the streets before they do anything," Hoop said.

Hoop and Cox also emphasized the importance of voting to control the effects of Measure 5 on our system of high-

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Tiny bubbles



Photo by Michael Shindler

Hann-ichi Sunrise watches the bubbles blown by Poindexter the Clown at the EMU. Poindexter, who usually works birthday parties and other events, came to hear the bands featured Wednesday. "It's more of a social day than a work day for me," Poindexter said.

Germans, Jews discuss heritage

□ Students of German and Jewish ancestry meet to create better communication and understanding

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The same sort of economic problems in the United States that have contributed to neo-Nazism and the rise of politicians like David Duke are having the same result in Germany, several German students said Wednesday.

As part of the University's Shoah Week commemoration of the Jews who were killed in the Holocaust, German and Jewish students met for a discussion of how the World War II tragedies have affected their own lives and what the future may hold for relations between the two.

The German students who attended spoke of the trouble facing their country now. An inflation rate of 4.7 percent and a public employees strike that has halted many services are adding to ethnic tensions in that country.

German graduate student Christian Frank said he believes Germany is "on a dangerous track," but the trouble doesn't come as a surprise.

"There are economic problems, and the people taking the blame are the ones who are different," he said. "When the economy is bad, people tend to blame it on foreigners. In the 1930s, they blamed it on the Jews."

Another student from Germany said that one million people try to immigrate to Germany each year, and recent elections have seen the rise of some right-wing politicians who favor limiting the number of immigrants.

Frank said he thinks the situation can be controlled if

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Officers cleared in videotaped beating of King

□ Verdict comes after seven days of deliberation and ignites violence in downtown Los Angeles

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) - Four white Los Angeles police officers were acquitted of all but one assault charge Wednesday in the videotaped beating of black motorist Rodney King. A mistrial was declared on one count.

The verdicts, in the seventh day of deliberations, came after a year of political uproar sparked by the graphic videotape of a black man being beaten by white officers, denounced in many quarters as brutality. The backlash brought down the Los Angeles police chief.

Scattered violence broke out on the city's largely black south side a few hours after the beating.

"My client and I are just outraged," King's lawyer, Steve Lerman, said after the verdict. "It sends a bad message. It says it's OK to go ahead and beat somebody when they're down and kick the

crap out of them."

Police Chief Daryl Gates, who was pressured to resign after the beating, declined to comment directly on the verdict.

"I do not think there are any winners at all in this situation," Gates told reporters. "I'm hopeful ... that this department will go forward."

Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley blasted the jury's decision.

"Today, the system failed us," he said. "Today, this jury told the world what we all saw with our own eyes wasn't a crime. Today, that jury asked us to accept the senseless and brutal beating of a helpless man."

President Bush, at a state dinner in Washington, appealed for calm.

Several hours after the verdicts were announced, several hundred demonstrators rushed the main doors at the police department's Parker Center headquarters in downtown Los Angeles.

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Violent protests hit L.A.

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Scattered violence erupted following the acquittals of four white policemen in a black motorist's beating. Looters ravaged stores, four motorists were beaten and demonstrators rushed police headquarters. One person was killed and at least 72 were injured Wednesday.

As the violence spread across the residential and business area, Mayor Tom Bradley asked Gov. Pete Wilson to send in the Na-

tional Guard. Wilson said he would, Bradley's spokesman, Bill Chandler, said.

In the worst outbreak, an intersection in predominantly black South Central Los Angeles was plunged into chaos, with looters running free and motorists pulled from cars and attacked. Police and paramedics were ordered to steer clear.

City officials, including

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