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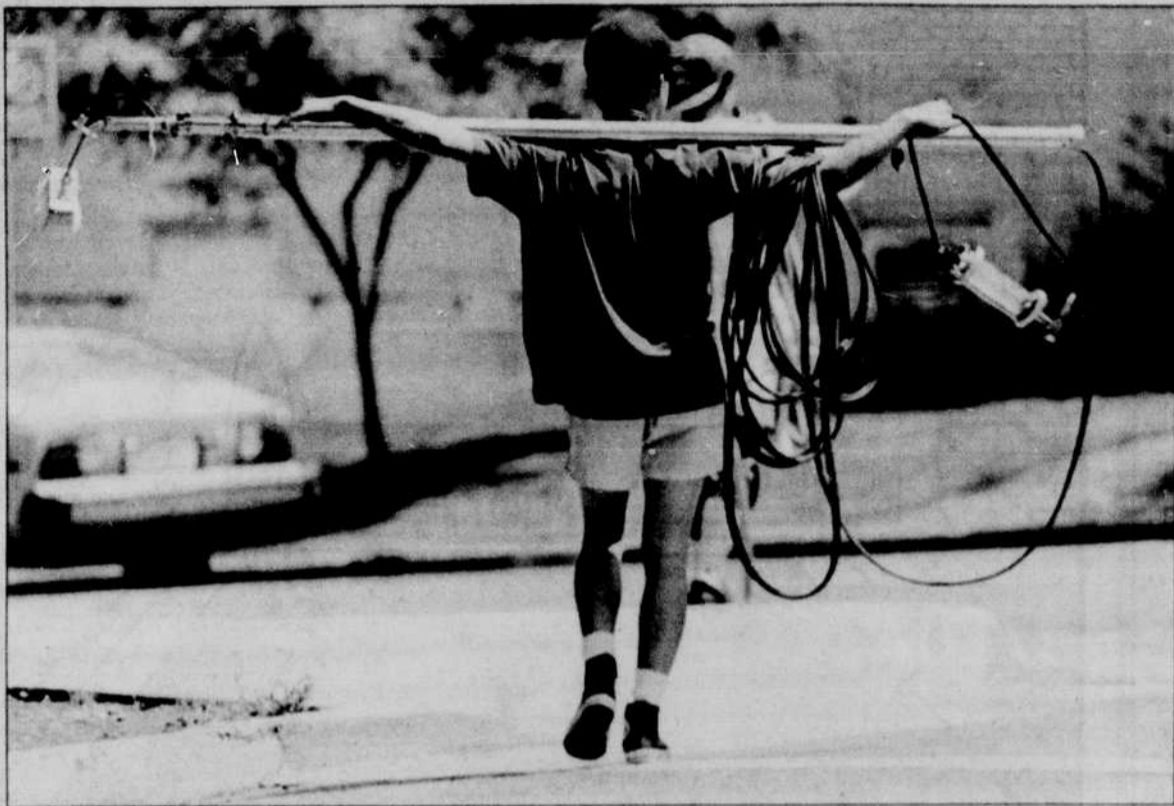


Photo by Jeff Paslay

Dennis Grasser carries a window-washing device to Esslinger Hall. The window-washing crew, which works through the University Physical Plant, is in the process of washing all windows on campus — a project expected to take 10 weeks.

Back to step one for new-tax lobby

□ Student leaders will push for another special session before November

By Pat Malach
Emerald Editor

The Oregon Legislature's dismissal of Gov. Barbara Roberts' tax-reform plan has student and administrative leaders shifting gears on how to head-off Measure 5-induced cutbacks.

Roberts had called the special session of the Legislature hoping voters would get a chance to decide on a way to replace revenue lost to Measure 5 before the mandated cuts for the 1993-95 biennium take effect.

But that plan, and last-minute attempts by the Oregon Senate to revive it, was sunk by the House, whose Republican leaders complained that putting it before Oregonians in September would not allow enough time for voters to study it.

"It is very distressing and disappointing that the state's political leaders have not been able to agree on the nature and timing for a tax-reform measure to allow the citizens of the state to determine the level of services they are willing to support," said University President Myles Brand at a press conference Thursday.

"We certainly would have hoped that the state would come to grips with this problem already," Brand said. "It's frustrating, not for me, not for the faculty, not for the staff, it's frustrating from the point of view regarding Oregonians' chances to get an education and the chances for social mobility."

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New EMU director looking forward to exploring Oregon

□ Miller says first order of business will be getting to know his co-workers

By Morgan Emrich
Emerald Contributor

Those who understand Oregon's back-to-nature appeal shouldn't be surprised to learn the new director of one of the biggest indoor facilities on campus took the job because he likes to be outdoors.

Charles "Dusty" Miller took over as director of the Erb Memorial Union June 15 after a hiring process that involved more than 50 applicants.

"Being at this university affords me the opportunity to put together professional desires with quality of life issues with my family," Miller said, adding that he plans on taking advantage of the many outdoor opportunities available around Eugene.

"I plan to be outside as much as possible," said the one-time canoe instructor and current contributor to the *Resource Guide to Outdoor Programs*.

Miller served as director of the Joseph A. Dana Center and student activities at Loyola University in New Orleans for the past eight years and had a similar position at East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania before that.

The interview and screening process for the EMU position, which involved five finalists having meetings with students, faculty and staff, brought a large number of nationally prominent candidates to apply, said University President Myles Brand.

"It's an indicator of the strength and reputation of our institution's tradition of strong governance and community that we had such a strong pool of candidates," Brand said, "even in a year when the fiscal picture for higher education in Oregon is unclear."

Miller, who has a master's degree in personnel administration from the State University of New York at Buffalo, echoed Brand's sentiments in saying the EMU has a very good reputation internationally, and this is one of the reasons he chose to make the move to Oregon.

The first order of business, Miller said, is to try to get to know all of the people he's going to be working with. This is no small task considering there are more than 90 non-student employees now under him. In addition to coordinating the meeting rooms, performance spaces and galleries, he will be overseeing all of the programs within the student union.

This includes student government offices, publication offices, Child Care, Club Sports, the Recreation Center, Outdoor Program, Cultural Forum, Craft Center and more.

Miller has some big shoes to



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fill. Adelle McMillan, who retired in January 1992, had been the director since 1975 and served as associate director for seven years before taking over. She was president of the Association of College Unions International in 1981. Coincidentally, Miller currently is chairman

of Development Fund Advisory Committee of the same organization.

Frank Geltner, EMU associate director and University program consultant, served as interim director until Miller was named.

WEATHER

Summer might be back today with slightly warmer temperatures after Monday's mostly cloudy skies and high of 71 over Eugene.

Sunny skies are expected today after morning clouds disappear and highs of 75-80.

GRAND CANYON OR BUST

FLAGSTAFF (AP) — A fugitive convict who eluded authorities for nearly two months pleaded innocent to charges of kidnapping, armed robbery and attempted murder Monday and said he would try to escape again.

Danny Ray Horning escaped May 12 from the Arizona state prison 50 miles southeast of Phoenix. Horning was tracked as far as the Grand Canyon National Park about 200 miles north of Phoenix.

Horning had eluded helicopters with heat-seeking and night-vision equipment, trackers with dogs, a multiagency task force of about 380 officers and roadblocks.

"He is not a folk hero. He really and truly is nothing but a smart aleck," said Michael Arra, spokesman for Arizona's Corrections Department.

SPORTS

PAU, FRANCE (AP) — Richard Virenque of France gained the leader's yellow jersey as the Tour de France returned to its home country Monday after a weekend in Spain.

Three-time champion Greg LeMond of the United States remains with the main contenders, but had some minor difficulties, twice having to change a flat.

The tour, which covers seven European countries, heads to Bordeaux today.