

New dean to address graduates

The new dean of the University's College of Education will deliver the 1992 University summer commencement address Saturday, Aug. 15 at Hayward Field.

Martin Kaufman, who will join the faculty as dean Sept. 9, will speak of commencement as a moment, as a time of passage and new challenges. He will relate these views to students specifically, to himself personally and to the University.

Kaufman currently heads the U.S. Department of Education's Division for Innovation and Development, which last year awarded about \$39 million worth of grants to nearly 200 basic and applied research and development projects nationwide.

As director, he reports to Congress annually on the nation's progress toward providing full educational opportunities to children with disabilities.

More than 950 degree candidates are eligible to participate in the 10 a.m. ceremony. In case of rain, the commencement will move inside to McArthur Court. The ceremony is open to the public. Tickets are not needed.

Programmer missing after computer crash

(AP) - The crash of a \$1.4 million computer network after its programmer vanished has drawn the state Justice Department into the investigation.

Ted Fabre had created a national computer network from his office at the University of Oregon to help the disabled keep up with changes in technology that could help them, officials said.

The "SERIES" network, developed during the past five years with federal grants, crashed on July 27, said Hill Walker, an associate dean of special education. Walker oversaw the project as director of the university's Center on Human Development.

Fabre has been missing for nearly two weeks. However, he contacted *The Register-Guard* in Eugene and told the newspaper he was staying on the Oregon Coast to cope with the stress of the computer crash. He did not disclose his exact whereabouts.

The program eliminated a service many disabled people relied on, said his colleague, Lane Hoxworth.

The network has 1,100 subscribers. It began operating in February 1988 and offered its users an electronic mail system, public conferences, group meetings, access to databases, a document library and a software exchange.

Fabre said he recently deleted all but the most current copy of the computer program to eliminate out-of-date information. He said a programmer who tested the remaining copy accidentally deleted the computer network and all data that was stored in it.

"It's kind of ironic that I'd talked to the programmer a few times before and cautioned him about setting up any kind of links where that was possible," Fabre said.

Fabre said it would be possible to set up another network within a few weeks.

Walker said he had been told by Fabre that the project would be continued for at least another six months while the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, which supplied the funding.

Marla Rae, a spokeswoman for the Oregon Department of Justice, said the agency was investigating.

Mobley won't run for Senate

SALEM (AP) - Al Mobley said Wednesday he will not mount a third-party challenge to Sen. Bob Packwood.

Mobley said at a news conference he decided not to run after meeting with prominent Republican officeholders, including members of Congress, on a recent trip to Washington.

His decision sparked charges of deal-making by Packwood's Democratic opponent, Rep. Les AuCoin, and a response from the Republican senator's camp accusing AuCoin of lying.

Mobley said the main reason he decided to stay out of the race was that he didn't want to help AuCoin.

"I cannot bear the thought that I might be the cause of electing Les AuCoin," Mobley said.

Mobley ran as an independent candidate for governor in 1990 with backing from the conservative Oregon Citizens Alliance.

He drew 13 percent of the vote, and some observers believe he took enough support from Republican Dave Frohn-mayer to elect Democrat Barbara Roberts as governor.

The OCA has filed papers that would have allowed it to nominate Mobley as a third-party contender in the Senate race.

Mobley scoffed at suggestions deals were cut to persuade him to forego the race. He said he didn't know whether to classify

such talk "as claptrap or pop-pycock."

Mobley said he had no meetings with Packwood or his staff during his discussions about a possible Senate campaign.

Mobley's move still leaves one uncertain element hanging over the Senate contest: Bend businessman Harry Lonsdale.

Lonsdale came within a whisker of defeating AuCoin in the Democratic primary election in May and has said he might launch a write-in campaign for the post in the general election.

AuCoin, meanwhile, said Mobley's announcement ended a long lobbying process by "Packwood, his Senate allies and the full might of the Bush administration to clear the way of any threat to Packwood's re-election."

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Hatfield rebuked over gifts

WASHINGTON (AP) - Five-term Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., was rebuked Wednesday by the Senate Ethics Committee for failing to disclose more than \$42,000 in gifts he received between 1983 and 1988.

The committee said Hatfield violated civil law and Senate rules by not disclosing the gifts, but that there was no evidence that the senator's failure to disclose "were intentional in nature."

In a statement, Hatfield accepted full responsibility and said: "My mistakes were many and my omissions were serious. There is no one but myself to blame. ... I am anxious to move on."

"I'm the one who signs the forms, and I am the one who is responsible for making sure that every gift, every financial transaction is fully disclosed as required," said Hatfield.

The gifts, which ranged from works of art to free home improvement work, were received from the senator's associates as well as the University of South Carolina and the school's former president, the ethics panel said.

The committee found that Hatfield's failure to disclose the gifts in timely fashion violated the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 as well as a Senate rule. Both required senators from 1983 to 1988 to report gifts that totaled more than \$100 in any year.

Committee Chairman Terry Sanford, D-N.C., said Hatfield's acceptance of the findings end the 14-month investigation and no further action would be taken.

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