

Photo by Jake Berg

Fire victims and their friends talk to officials Monday outside of a fire-gutted house that was rented by three University seniors.

Fire burns house late Monday night

Smokers' carelessness may have started blaze

By Jake Berg
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Three University seniors were sitting at Taylor's College Side Inn listening to music Monday night when someone ran in and told them that their

house was on fire.

"I was like, 'Nice joke,'" said Kristian Hansen, a 22-year-old senior.

It wasn't.

Hansen and senior roommates Egen Moe, 21, and Michael Hoopaugh, 22, quickly ran to their home to find the street lined with fire depart-

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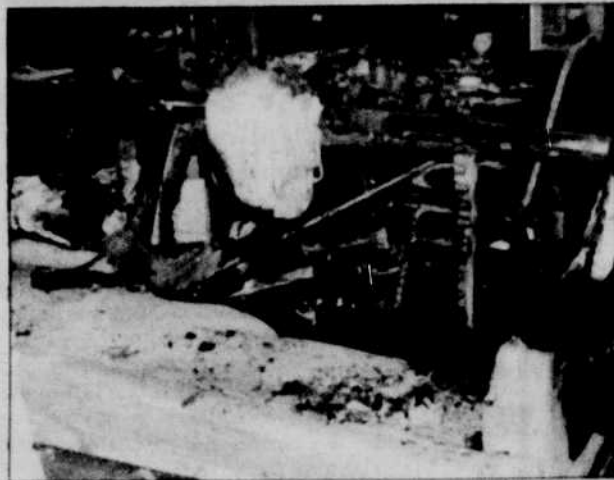


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This couch was one of many items destroyed in the fire.

Education network set to transmit

Statewide broadcast system will make long-distance education possible

By Scott Andre
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From a small television studio in the northwest corner of Knight Library, a professor simultaneously lectures students in Ontario, Bend, Coos Bay, Roseburg and Medford.

Near the end of class, the students call in questions to the professor, who in turn provides answers and clarifies any points of confusion.

A scene from the far-off future of higher education in Oregon?

Not quite.

Educators call it "distance education," and the technology required to make it a reality is already in place in the form of ED NET, Oregon's statewide telecommunications system.

Here at the University, administrators and educators are considering using ED NET to teach students in distant corners of the state, but obstacles remain.

A statewide network

Established by the Oregon Legislature in 1989 and funded by lottery money, ED NET consists of two television broadcast networks and an on-line computer information network. Every community college, four-year college and university in Oregon can receive and transmit on the system.

"It provides us with the opportunity to open up access to people who normally wouldn't have educational resources in their community," said Jon Root, ED NET coordinator for the Oregon State System of Higher Education.

ED NET's two television networks are the key to providing increased access to higher education. Network I is a satellite-transmitted, broadcast quality

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UFO believers not alone as group discusses experiences

Organizer says meetings provide educational service to those interested

By Jake Berg
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Francesco Pagliaro paused for a moment in the middle of his opening presentation and, leaning over the podium where his crossed arms rested, he looked into the 40 pairs of eyes before him.

"How many of you have seen a UFO or know someone

who has seen a UFO?" he asked the group assembled in a corner room of the Eugene Public Library on a Saturday in January.

The onlookers froze for a moment, and then, cautiously, a dozen raised their hands halfway. After glancing around to the rows of people behind them, the hand-raisers let their arms extend all of the way.

Pagliaro smiled, and the dozen let their raised hands return to their laps or notepads.

The people came here to listen to Pagliaro, the organizer of this unidentified flying object contact group, and

to hear theories and stories from the other two speakers.

Pagliaro, who owns a Eugene bag-making company, brings people together every six to eight weeks to talk about UFOs, with one of the goals being to comfort those who have had possible UFO experiences. He said people are more at ease being surrounded by those who may believe, rather than question, UFO tales.

"Nobody's going to come out in public and say, 'Yeah,

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WEATHER

Increasing clouds overnight should produce light rain throughout the southern valley today.

Highs near 60.

JUST A REMINDER

Today is the last day to pay tuition without a \$50 late fee. Payments are collected in the EMU Ballroom.

KEEPS COMING, AND COMING, AND ...

ULYSSES, Neb. (AP) - The cow gave birth to three calves, and veterinarian Frank Ekstein thought she was done. But they kept coming and coming. After helping deliver quintuplets, Ekstein looked up the animal-science record books. The odds of calf quints, he found, range "anywhere from a high of one in 15 million births to a real low incidence of one in 60 million births."

Ekstein has delivered two sets of triplets in 18 years of practice. This time, he said, "I thought she was probably done after three. But I went back to re-examine and I kept finding more."

There were four males and a female. One calf died at birth.

SPORTS

Stephanie Warren, a two-year starter for the Oregon volleyball team, has been dismissed from school for academic reasons, the school announced Monday.

A native of Gresham, Warren paced the team in kills with a 3.56 average last fall and was second in digs. Two years ago as a freshman, she was named to the all-Pacific-10 Conference freshman squad and picked up Oregon's Newcomer of the Year Award.

Warren, who would be a junior next fall, plans to reapply for admission to the school in the future.