

Packwood responds to conduct allegation

Ethics: The senator addresses complaint of one female accuser

ALBANY (AP) — Sen. Bob Packwood responded directly to an allegation of sexual misconduct for the first time Tuesday, saying one of his female accusers kissed him voluntarily many times.

Gena Hutton, a former volunteer for Packwood in Eugene, complained that the Oregon Republican grabbed her, kissed her and invited her to his hotel room one evening in 1980 as he walked her to her car.

Packwood told a Rotary Club audience that Hutton kissed him the next day and on a number of later occasions. He said she continued to work as a volunteer for him in Eugene until 1984 and at one point asked him to loan her money for a business venture. Packwood said he did not make the loan.

"I hope Gena says, 'Well, no, I didn't go to Coos Bay, or I never went to Salem, or I didn't go to

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Video game makers to label games

Violence: Congress pressures manufacturers to work on rating system

WASHINGTON (AP) — Video game makers say they're moving quickly to mollify parents alarmed by the sight of Junior zapping bloodsucking vampires and homicidal martial arts warriors off the TV screen.

Manufacturers' representatives, under growing pressure from Congress to voluntarily rate their games, are meeting in Las Vegas to begin work on a labeling system.

The Jan. 8 meeting, which is to be under the auspices of the Software Publishers Association, follows a threat by lawmakers to pass legislation that would impose such a system on the industry.

During recent testimony to the Senate, the software association promised that the industry would take action on its own.

"We welcome this weekend's meeting," said Richard Brudvik-Lindner of Sega of America, one of the leading makers of home video entertainment. "We can fashion a system that enables

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One way



City of Eugene Transportation Division workers Charles Lange and John Ledgerwood erect a new sign and barricade at the corner of Clark and Washington streets.

NATIONAL

New campaign addresses use of condoms

AIDS: Young Americans are target of TV ads suggesting protection, abstinence

WASHINGTON (AP) — In one TV ad an adventure-some condom in its little package leaps under the blankets to join a couple making love. In another, a young woman told by a passionate suitor that he "forgot it" retorts, "Then forget it!"

They're part of a bolder new federal campaign to persuade young Americans to protect themselves against AIDS, either by using condoms every time — and any way — they have sex, or by abstaining from sex altogether.

The new ads, made available to the TV networks Tuesday, are more clever than explicit. They never show an actual condom or even an unmistakably gay couple; most victims of the fatal disease in the United States are male homosexuals.

But they mark a heightened level of frankness from Reagan-era health officials who once hinted at condom use by showing a young man pulling on a sock.

"Every new HIV infection is a needless infection," said Health and Human Services Secretary Donna E. Shalala. Until now, "we have been too timid to talk openly about the prevention tools ... at our disposal."

Kristine M. Gebbie, the national AIDS policy coordinator, said abstinence is the surest way to avoid the deadly virus.

But, holding up several wrapped condoms, Gebbie added, "If you do choose to be sexually active, use one of these, use a latex condom ... every time you have sex."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention crafted spots that would be acceptable to the networks and the public at large and still get their message across to the target audience — young adults ages 18 to 25.

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GOOD MORNING

► The Incidental Fee Committee will hear budget requests for the 1994-95 school year Tuesdays and Thursdays between 6 and 10 p.m., IFC members decided at their Monday night meeting.

The committee plans to meet with five groups each night until they work their way through all the approximately 180 programs petitioning the IFC for funding next year.

As the committee has done yearly, the IFC must draft a budget by late May to present to University President Myles Brand for approval.

On Monday night, committee members scheduled the first meeting for Thursday at 6 p.m.

► INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A man who agreed to

father a child for a fellow teacher must pay \$100,000 in child support despite the woman's written promise not

to seek money from him, an appeals court ruled.

The elementary school teachers were dating when Francine Todd asked Edward Straub to father her child. Straub agreed if Todd promised in writing she would never seek financial aid from him.

The Indiana Court of Appeals said Todd had no right to sign away her daughter's right to financial support from her father, Straub.

"It is apparent that our legislature has created a strong current public policy with the object of protecting the rights of children from the whims of their parents and the power of the state," Judge Stanley Miller wrote in Thursday's 2-1 ruling.

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