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Registrars introduce electronic transfers

System:Computers link the University with Lane Community College

By Eric Buckhalter
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During winter break University and Lane Community College registrars christened an electronic link between the two schools via computers and telephone lines that will transfer transcripts.

On Dec. 22 the schools unveiled the Standardization of Postsecondary Education Electronic Data Exchange/Exchange of Permanent Records Electronically for Students and Schools, or SPEEDE/EXPRESS, link.

This electronic link, the first of its kind in Oregon, is designed to provide speedier service and faster responses on student applications and will save processing time and paper, postage and labor costs for both institutions.

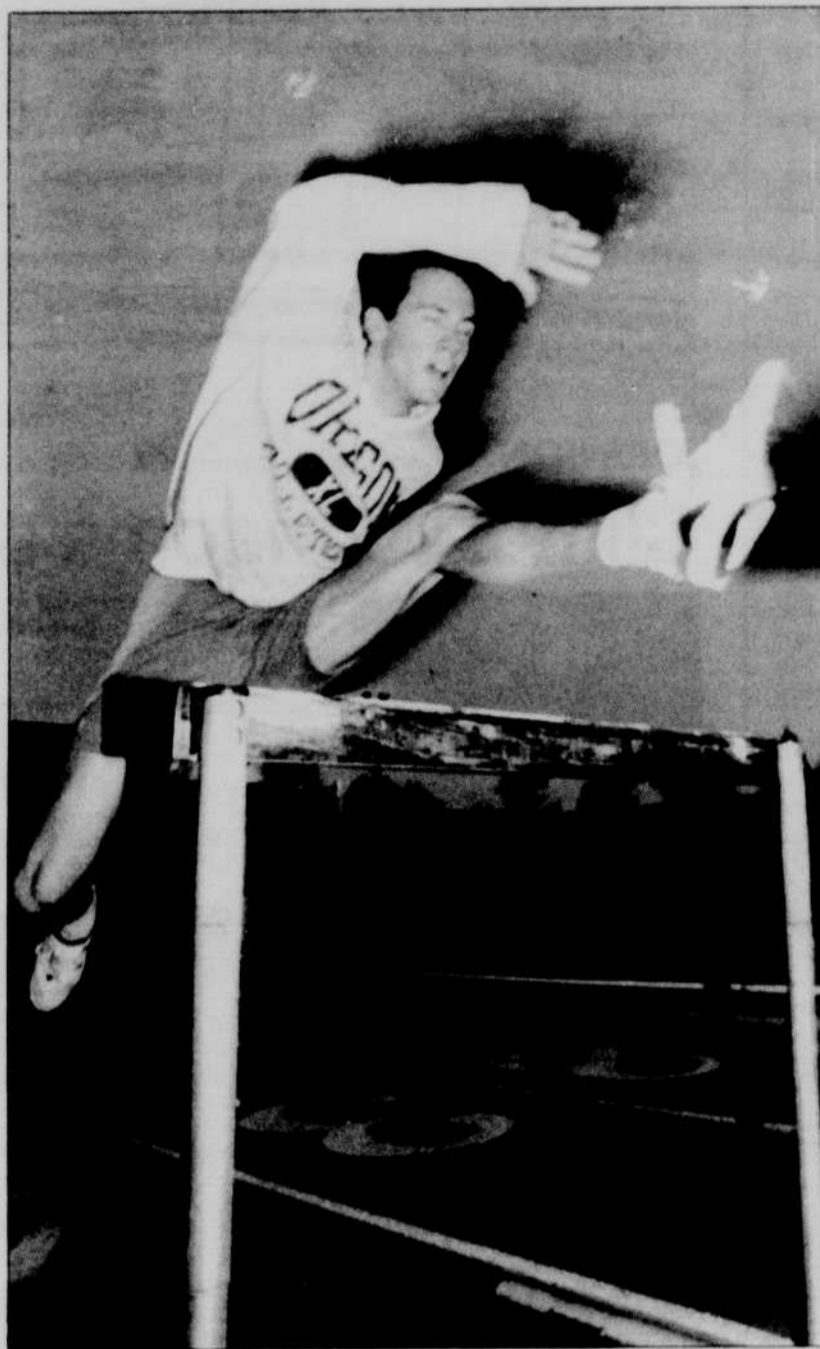
"This is a process or procedure by which we can send transcripts electronically from institution to institution," said University Registrar Herb Chereck. "We have undertaken a pilot project in Oregon where we are developing a trading partner with Lane Community College. This is the first step in an ongoing process."

Chereck said the SPEEDE/EXPRESS link will develop into a statewide, then nationwide, system.

A significant number of stu-

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Don't Trip!



MICHAEL SHINDLER for the Emerald

Oregon hurdler Sol Sallos practices in the rain at Hayward Field Monday.

UNIVERSITY

IFC promises no increases in student fees

Budget: Student groups may receive less money

By Edward Klopfenstein
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Scribbled on a dry-mark board in the Incidental Fee Committee office is a sign of the times.

Goal: No increases in the student incidental fee, it reads. That means student groups will have to do without more money.

"The incidental fee will not be raised," said Jian Liu, chairman of the IFC. "We could be a source for more funding, but we don't want to see any program depending only on IFC funds."

The IFC's annual budget hearings begin tonight at 6 in the EMU Board Room on the third floor of the EMU.

Liu said many University students have voiced concern over increases in incidental fees. Students currently pay more than \$330 a year to the IFC for student programs and services.

"Something needs to be done," Liu said, considering the increased tuition students are currently facing. "The best, most efficient way is to maintain the same level of funding for the student groups."

Francis Neo, finance coordinator for the ASUO and the ASUO's IFC representative, said student government is suffering just like the University administration, with fewer students and less income.

"Absolute student population here is declining," Neo said. "Programs cannot increase services to students that don't exist. People have to scale down their spending just as the administration has."

Committee member Shannon Wall agreed.

"I am voting for few increases," Wall said.

Overall, student groups will have to show that students support them, Neo said.

If they can't, the answer to a bigger budget request will probably be "No," Neo said.

Student population has been declining for the past several years, according to an official at the Office of the Registrar.

Student enrollment peaked in the fall of 1990 at 18,141 students, said Thomas North, assistant registrar. Current enrollment has fallen to 16,593 students.

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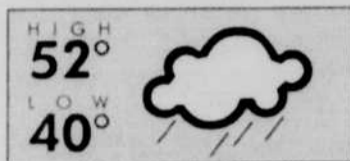
GOOD MORNING

► WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite approval of several local, anti-gay ballot measures in rural Oregon, gay activists said Monday they are optimistic Northwesterners will reject similar statewide referendums this fall.

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force is taking aim at anti-gay ballot measures pending in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and five other states, saying the initiatives are part of the far right's broader effort to shackle minorities.

"It is clear to us the far right is using the gay and lesbian issue as a wedge... to agitate communities, raise money and advance the broader agenda of social repression," said Robert Bray, a media trainer for the task force's "Fight the Right" campaign.

► REDMOND (AP) — Nintendo of America is shifting its assembly lines here to Mexico, where



they will be closer to the Mexican and Latin American markets they serve, the company announced Monday.

The shift is expected to be completed in mid-March, spokesman George Harrison said.

Most of Nintendo's home computer-game systems and other products are produced in and imported from Japan, he noted.

The work in Mexico will be handled by an established manufacturing company, Nintendo said.

► Registration change fees begin today. There is a \$10 charge for any drop, add or credit change.

Family housing units nice, but small

Apartments:Clean and close, but rent is \$100 over 1991 estimate

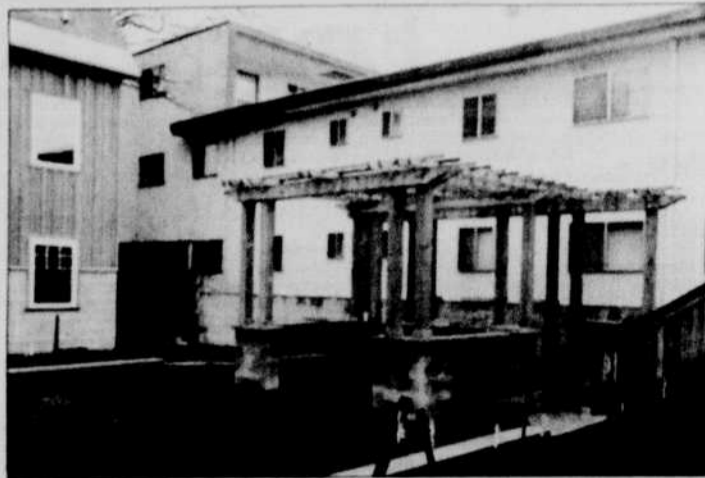
By Heatherle Himes
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Family Housing Director Frank Gaddini warned the eight people touring the new Agate Street apartments Monday that the bedrooms were small.

They were so small that 6-foot-10 potential tenant Mike Storm looked around the room and frowned at his fiancée, psychology major Kristie Opitz.

"They're nice, but they're much smaller than other apartments," he said. "For the same price, we could probably get something bigger."

The bedrooms are tiny, Gaddini said, because the architects who planned the \$1.5 million dollar complex crowded as many apartments as possible onto the lot.



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The new housing on 18th & Agate have persevered through problems with the architects, but cost \$100 more than the original estimates.

Those same architects were fired by the University in early November because the University claimed that the cost of construction was over budget and that unapproved changes

had been made to the plans. Iswaldi Kosasih, an accounting major, looked around the empty units and

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