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win the meet.

"I would like to see us make a run at the NCAA cross country title, and we're not too far away from being in the hunt," Heinonen said. "I've said before that I want my team to be competitive year in and year out, and I want to make a run at a title every now and then."

Since coming to Eugene in 1972 to compete in an Olympic trial, Heinonen has built roots in Oregon. He met his future wife Janet at the meet, with whom he wrote the book *All About Road Racing* in 1979. They have since had two children, Erik and Liisa, both of whom have gotten an early start in running. They will compete in the Kid's Kilometer race at the Drenth meet on Sunday.

"This is never-never land," Heinonen said. "This is a great place to be a coach...it was a great place to be a runner."

In his time at Oregon, Heinonen has coached the likes of Leanne Warren, who took two national titles her sophomore year, and Cathy Hayes, who holds the school record in the 3,000, 5,000 and 10,000-meter races to this day. In addition, he coached three-time national champion Annette Peters, with whom he still works.

"There are so many good things about Eugene for runners; it's just made it a lot of fun," Heinonen said. "I don't stay here because of the salaries. I stay here because of the environment and the conditions. This is the job that a lot of people nationwide would want if they could pick one."

Along with coaching the

Ducks, Heinonen was the junior coach for the 1990 World Cross Country Championships and was head coach for the West team in the National Sports Festival in 1983. In 1981 and 1991, Heinonen was a meet director for the NCAA Championships at Hayward Field.

Even with an impressive resume, Heinonen has no intentions of taking his coaching elsewhere.

"I certainly would like to stay at Oregon... I think I can keep doing the job," he said. "In spite of three NCAA titles and all those NCAA individual champions, I've never had a single job offer from another University, so either that means nobody knows that I'm the coach, or they figured out that I don't know what I'm talking about or they realize that I would never leave here."

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NFL broadcaster, NBC has stepped up and proved that it can consistently provide better coverage. NBC has further benefited from the resurgence of the AFC, largely due to the 5-0 San Diego Chargers.

It's not that FOX is doing a terrible job, either. It's pretty hard to ruin the great sport of football. But my greatest fears have come to life as FOX has tried to make things too hip. The network, in a sense, has "Bart Simpsonized" football — not as much as some had feared but enough that Terry Bradshaw really bugs people. Krusty the clown would be a much better complement to Howie

Long's sincere, hipper-than-thou turtleneck commentary.

The play clock and scoreboard in the upper left-hand corner of the screen is OK to see every once in a while, but it becomes a bother after watching an entire game.

I've also built up an allegiance with CBS over the years. From *The Jeffersons* to *60 Minutes*, my Sundays have always been filled with familiar faces that somehow eased the pain of the dreadful thought of the Monday that was to follow. Instead, I'm left with just fuzzy TV, rotten audio and, as usual, the 49ers.

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Doonesbury

by GARRY TRUDEAU

SO WHAT'D YOU THINK OF MICHAEL ROY, SID? ISN'T HE THE NICEST?

I GUESS. BIT OF AN EMPTY SUIT, THOUGH.

WELL, I THINK THAT'S SO. ANNA-JOHN CAN WEAR IT. THEY SHARE EVERYTHING!

WHERE'D YOU MEET HIM, ANYWAY?

ON THE BEACH. HE'D JUST MOVED IN FROM TEXAS SO HE COULD REPRESENT US...

HEY, YALL! WHERE'S THE OCEAN?

UH... TO YOUR LEFT. THE BLUE THING.

Insipid Tales

by Charles Marier

WHILE DINING ON HOSPITAL FOOD, I MADE AN ODD DISCOVERY.

HACK! THIS DEAN PASTE TASTES LIKE CLAXIUM DR 35.

A DANGEROUS NEW FOUND ISOTOPE.

WAIT A MINUTE... HOW WOULD I KNOW WHAT CLAXIUM DR 35 TASTES LIKE?

THEN I REMEMBERED, I HAD TASTED CLAXIUM DR 35 IN THE EXPLOSION AT MY LAB.

AT FIRST, I THOUGHT THE DANGEROUS NEW ISOTOPE HAD BEEN IN THE HIGHLY TOXIC RADIOACTIVE SLUDGE. BUT SOME RESEARCH REVEALED:

THAT SLUDGE DIDN'T CONTAIN ANY CLAXIUM DR 35!

SEE, THIS TASTES LIKE THAT NEWFOUND ISOTOPE.

IT WAS FAST BECOMING CLEAR TO ME THAT I'D BEEN HAD.

HMM...

SOMEONE HAD SWITCHED THE STRING-BEANS I WAS USING IN MY EXPERIMENT WITH DIFFERENT ONES WHILE I WAS BUSY STEALING THE RADIOACTIVE SLUDGE!

GOOD BEANS. BAD BEANS.

BEANS TAINTED WITH CLAXIUM DR 35!

GREAT SCOT!

I HAD BEEN THE GUINCA RIG IN SOMEONE ELSE'S EXPERIMENT!

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON

Despite his repeated efforts to explain things to her, Satan could never dissuade his mother from offering cookies and milk to the accursed.