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She also contends that Hecht placed numerous personal phone calls which the department eventually paid for. However, when requested, she would not supply the Emerald with the documents detailing the phone calls at this time, indicating that they would be made available at a later date.

Eagleton did supply the Emerald with the work ticket for the \$2,500 December 1990 party and a flyer about an employee lottery pool that noted "this is gambling."

"These are things I could substantiate," Eagleton said by phone from her Arizona home. "It's just the tip of the iceberg."

The Christmas party work order listed about 40 people who were each paid for one and a half to two hours of work for a project labeled "party."

Hecht said Physical Plant employees do not get paid for going to parties and said the work order was probably just detailing set-up costs for the party.

Eagleton disagrees and said the \$2,500 charge was for employees to attend the party.

Hecht denied that any gambling has gone on at the plant, but

the flyer Eagleton provided describes a Megabucks lottery pool where employees grouped their money and shared winnings.

No University money was used, Eagleton said, but the pool was managed on University time and University equipment and supplies was used for photocopies.

Hecht said he had never seen the flyer before.

Even if there was a pool, though, Williams said "so what. People are human and that's just what people who work together do."

The University conducted its own investigation into Eagleton's allegations after being prompted by officials from Gov. Roberts' office.

Peter Swan, assistant to the president for legal affairs, managed the investigation but said the actual investigator was a second-year law student who questioned five people, including Williams and Hecht.

In the memo to Roberts, Williams wrote that the allegations were baseless and claimed that none of the people questioned remembered the incidents Eagleton discussed.

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MEETINGS

EMU Board of Directors will meet today at 5 p.m. in the EMU Board Room. For more information, call 346-3720.

College Republicans will meet tonight at 6 in EMU Cedar Room E. For more information, call 343-0337.

Amnesty International will meet tonight at 7:30 in EMU Century Room D.

Circle K will meet tonight at 6 in EMU Century Room A.

RELIGION

Baptist Student Union will meet tonight from 8 to 9:15 in Room 154 Straub. For more information, call 465-1687.

Newman Center will hold student Mass tonight at 9 in the Newman Center at 1850 Emerald St. For more information, call 346-4468.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance will have a gay and bisexual men's drop-in group tonight at 6 in the Koinonia Center at 1414 Kincaid Street. For more information, call 346-3360.

Oregon Israel Action Committee will have a letter-writing campaign today from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. by the EMU lobby near the Fishbowl & Deli. For more information, call 343-8920.

Asian Studies Program will sponsor a talk today at 4:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room F.

Dick Kraus, professor and head of political science, and Pete Suttmeier, professor and chair of Asian studies, will discuss "Arts and Sciences in Post-Deng China." For more information, call 346-1521.

Vietnamese Student Association will meet tonight at 7:15 in the Multicultural Center. For more information, call 346-9487.

Outdoor Program will meet tonight at 7 in EMU Room 37 to discuss overnight back-country ski touring. For more information, call 346-4365.

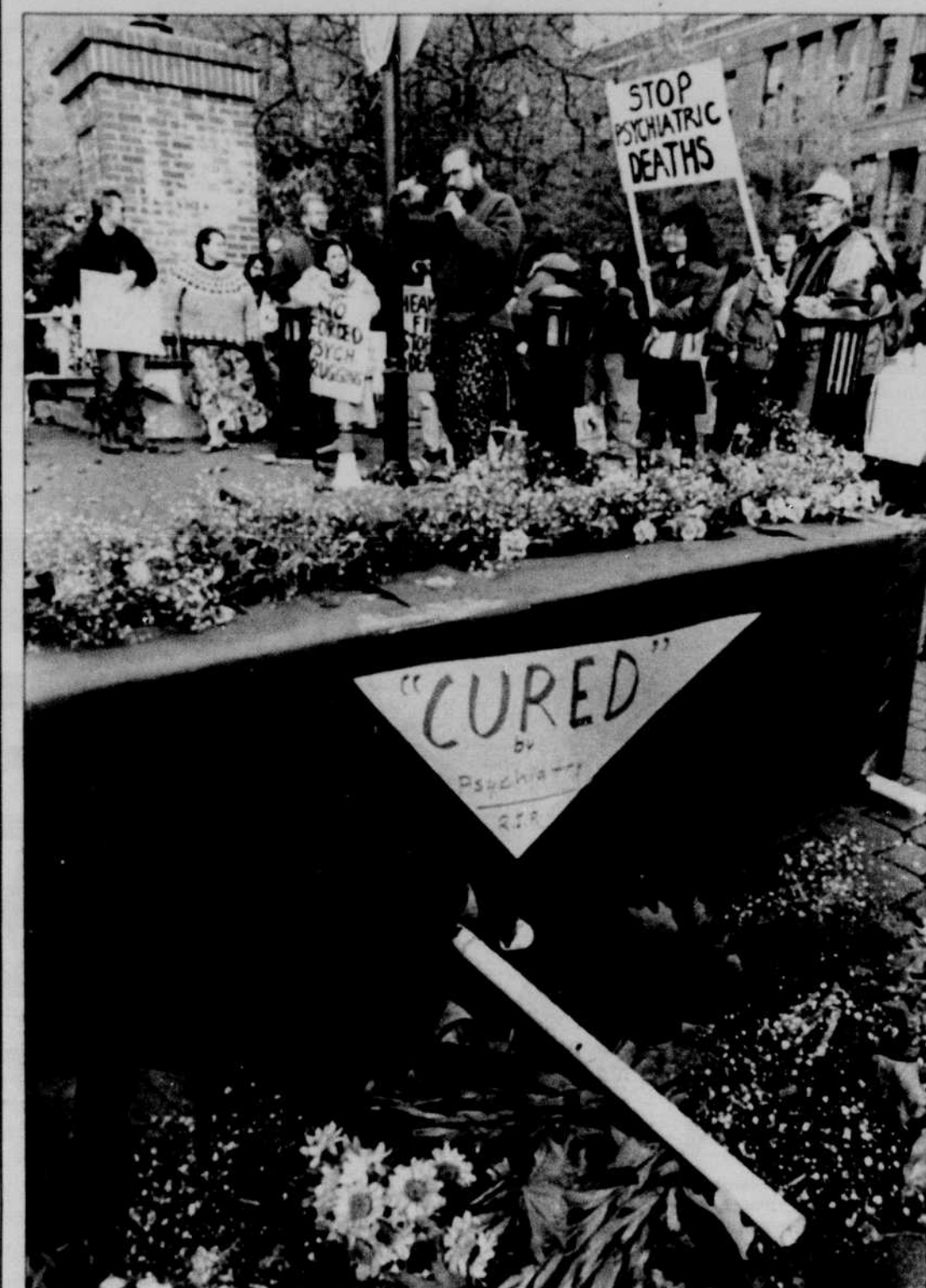
OSPIRG and Homeless Action Coalition will have a march today at 4 p.m. in front of Johnson Hall, a rally and sleep-out today at 5 p.m. and tonight at 6 at Amazon Housing Complex. For more information, call 346-4377.

Southeast Asian Studies will sponsor a workshop today at 1:30 p.m. at the Knight Library reference desk. Robin Paynter, reference librarian, will speak about "Southeast Asian Studies Resources at the Knight Library." For more information, call 346-1521.

Educational Opportunities Program will meet today at 2 p.m. in Room 627 PLC. All members are invited to an anxiety workshop. For more information, call 346-3232.

Overeaters Anonymous will meet today at 12:30 p.m. in the library of the Koinonia Center at 1414 Kincaid St. Newcomers welcome to join discussion of eating disorders. For more information, call 346-1578.

Career Center will have a "Finding Your Job" workshop today at 3 p.m. in Room 221 Hendricks. For more information, call 346-3235.



David Oaks, co-coordinator of the Support Coalition, speaks out against Sacred Heart Hospital's alleged use of psychiatric drugging and "coerced electroshock."

GARY GRASS/Emerald

Pension measure ahead by 887 votes

SALEM (AP) — A measure to force public employees to pay six percent of their salaries toward their pensions appears to have passed, according to a tally Tuesday of ballots cast in last week's general election.

About 5,000 ballots on Ballot Measure 8 remained to be counted, but it did not look mathematically probable they would change the outcome of the vote.

"This is a tremendous victory, for the Oregon taxpayer and the average working Oregonian," said state Rep. Bob Tiernan, R-Lake Oswego, chief sponsor of the initiative measure.

The largest union of state workers declined to concede defeat.

As of late Tuesday, a tally by The Associated Press showed Measure 8 had 604,329 votes in favor to 603,442 against — a margin of 887 votes. Any difference of fewer than about 2,400 votes

will trigger an automatic recount under state law.

Alice Dale, executive director of the Oregon Public Employees Union, said the situation was "too volatile" to comment on late Tuesday.

"I'd rather not provide an interview until the ballots are fully counted," she said. OPEU represents about 20,000 public employees.

However, the union chief said Measure 8 will be challenged in court if the final vote shows it passing.

"As we said during the campaign, we think there are pieces of it that are unconstitutional," Dale said.

Tiernan said he's not surprised that public employee unions would "waste money pursuing frivolous challenges."

"It's been proven the Oregon Public Employees Retirement System is excessive," he said. "This is a small adjustment to that system."

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