

Student arrest follows car incident

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An Oregon football player was arrested and lodged in the Lane County Jail early Monday morning after damaging his girlfriend's car during an argument.

Dante Shawn Lewis, 21, was jailed on first-degree criminal mischief and menacing charges. He remains in custody at the Lane County Jail in lieu of \$7,500 bail, a custody referee said Monday afternoon.

The incident occurred at 12:51 a.m. near the intersection of East 18th Avenue and University Street while Lewis was driving the woman's vehicle home after a party, according to a Eugene police report. Lewis and the 19-year-old student had been arguing when he twice drove

her car over a curb.

Lewis then got out of the car, slammed the door shut and kicked the driver's side window, causing it to break, according to the police report.

"It looked like a lover's quarrel to me," said Andrew Paulson, a 19-year-old University student who witnessed the altercation. "I saw the car jump a curb, the guy get out and put his heel through the driver's side window. Then he walked to the passenger side and kicked that twice before it broke."

When Lewis allegedly broke the second window, the force of the blow shattered the victim with broken glass.

After Lewis kicked out the second window, he threw the victim's purse and car keys into the nearby cemetery and left

the scene, Paulson said.

The victim told police that Lewis had hit her before, but didn't contact police because "he could do some damage to me."

Police later found Lewis at an apartment complex in West Eugene and took him into custody.

Lewis told police he accidentally ran over the curb during the argument, but then got "mad" and hit the curb a second time. He said he damaged the vehicle's windows because he was mad, according to the police report.

The vehicle, which sustained two broken windows, a flat tire and front-end damage, was towed from the scene.

Lewis is a senior second-string free safety.

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approached President and Chairman of Walt Disney Pictures Joe Roth, whom Smith had worked with on other films. Roth, a big Prefontaine fan, was immediately interested in the proposition.

"It was about an easy a sell in terms of pitching a motion picture idea, which usually can take years," Lutz said. "Joe Roth thought it was a great idea from the very beginning so we never had to sell Disney on it."

Lutz said the Oregon Production Group has approached the University about filming on campus, but future negotiations concerning the use of campus facilities, as well as other tie-ins with the University, will now be handled by Disney officials.

Prefontaine is still considered by many to be the greatest distance runner in American history. At the time of his death, he held every American distance record from the 2,000 to 10,000 meters. After finishing fourth in the 5,000 meters at the 1972 Olympics in Munich, Prefontaine was considered one of the favorites in 1976.

While competing for Oregon, Prefontaine set the standards for long-distance running. The four-time all-American won four NCAA championships — three in the three-mile and one in the 5,000 meters. He was 24 years old when he died.

Producers plan to show that the flamboyant and charismatic Prefontaine was more than just a gifted athlete.

"The Prefontaine story is much more than what it seems to be on the surface," Lutz said. "Most people would see the story just as a track and field movie and it's really much more than that because Prefontaine symbolized an awful lot. He was the first athlete to really fight for the rights of amateur athletes."

Lutz characterized Prefontaine as an "incredible spirit," and said he and the other producers will try and capture that spirit in the movie.

"We want to make sure that there is more to the story than just the obvious," Lutz said. "Pre was a very unique individual on and off the track."

Roe vs. Wade festival focuses on clinic violence

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Recent violence directed at abortion clinics was the focus of a Roe vs. Wade celebration Sunday in the EMU.

The weekend festival marked the 22nd anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion. However, opposition to the law has persisted through demonstrations, protests, attempts to change legislation and violence.

According to a report from the National Abortion Federation, the number of murders and attempted murders of abortion providers has drastically increased over the last two to three years.

Since 1977, five murders and eight attempted murders have been reported. Four of the murders and seven of the attempted murders happened in 1994.

The highest numbers of arson, vandalism, death threats and stalking incidents occurred in 1992 and 1993.

Speaker Sally Sheklow said she thought violence against abortion providers was diminishing, until the December shootings at the clinics in Massachusetts and Virginia. Anti-abortionist John Salvi killed two receptionists and opened fire in a waiting room here, injuring five people.

Sheklow is the development director of the Feminist Women's Health Center in Eugene. She said the Salvi incident has made people at the health center aware that all abortion clinics are in danger.

However, the recent outbreak of violence has not influenced the number of women coming to the health center for abortions, Sheklow said. "It doesn't make women any less likely to get an abortion, it just makes them feel worse doing it."

Several of the 15 or so people at the celebration said that using violence is a des-



Supporters of abortion rights placed a bulletin board with information about the history of Roe vs. Wade in the EMU Monday. Sunday was the 22nd anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in the Roe vs. Wade case.

perate and unsuccessful attempt by anti-abortionists to change policy.

"It's frightening because we know they're so organized," said Mandy Hood, co-director of Students for Choice, referring to the violent anti-abortionist movement. "Reactionary pro-lifers are too wrapped up in their religious beliefs to respect and understand the law."

Sheklow said that she believes the recent violence directed at abortion clinics is a result of anti-abortionist inflammatory rhetoric. By referring to abortion clinics as death camps, some anti-abortionists provide a climate ideal for breeding violence.

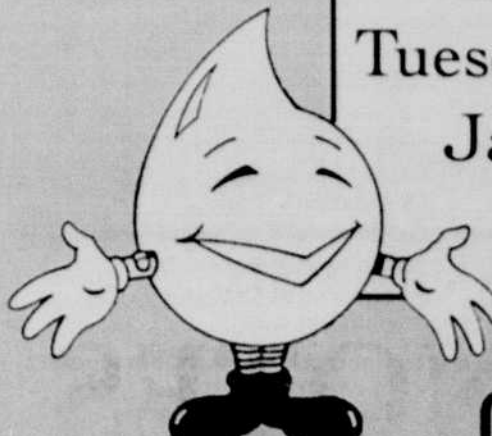
People will continue to commit what some anti-abortionists call "justifiable homicide" because they know they can get some support, she said.

The Women's Health Center has just committed to spending \$15,000 on security measures, she said. Bulletproof glass will be installed in the receptionist's window and people will not be allowed to carry purses or bags into the center.

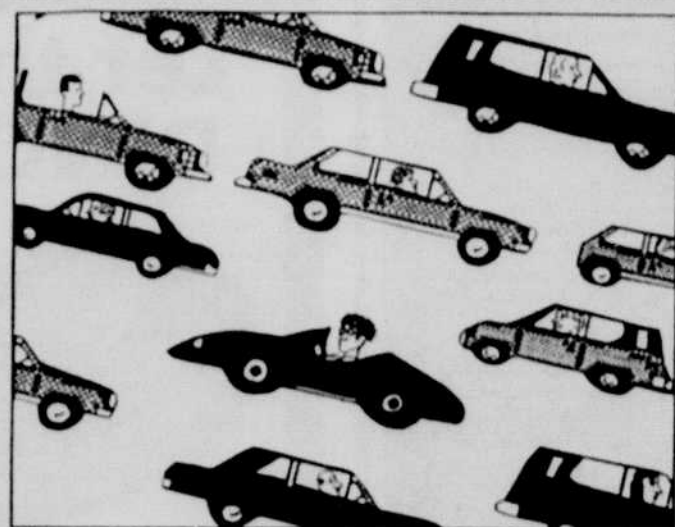
Edwina Welch, director of the Women's Center at the University, said that no matter what the cause, violence can never be condoned. She said a resolution to the abortion/anti-abortion debate is unlikely because the views are so polarized.

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