

## SUBSIDY

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*Chronicle reported.*

Patricia Martin, assistant vice president for federal affairs, said its important for students to know they aren't helpless, and they can make a difference. The trouble, she said, is that most students don't know what is in jeopardy.

President Bill Clinton proposed his 1996 budget to Congress Monday. The administration's budget would raise the maximum Pell Grant for low-income college students by 12 percent, increase the size of the Americorp program and give middle-class parents tax breaks for children in college, according to Associated Press reports.

However, the report went on to say that the Republican-controlled Congress will probably reject President Clinton's budget in its drive to reduce the federal deficit.

The Balanced Budget Amendment, if it passes in the Senate, will be the driving force behind all Congressional cuts. The amendment has already passed in the House, but the vote is too close to call in the Senate, according to Associated Press reports.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., said the amendment is necessary in order to get a handle on the deficit.

"I voted for the Balanced Bud-

get Amendment because we're bankrupting the country," DeFazio said. However, he said he does not want to see educational programs cut.

"Education, housing have been cut while the military and interest [on the deficit] have done very well," he said. "Enough's enough."

"There are a host of places where we can cut the federal budget."

DeFazio said that he benefited from government loan programs to get through college and does not want to see those programs cut.

Rep. William Goodling, R-Pa., has introduced legislation to place a cap on participation in the direct lending program and to conduct a comparison review of the new direct lending program with the old program, according to the *Board Bulletin*.

DeFazio said the reason Republicans want to limit the direct lending program is that they are listening to the banks. In the past, federally guaranteed student loans were managed through various banks and the banks received the interest on the loans. The new direct lending program bypasses the banks altogether.

"The Republicans want to turn back the clock for the banks so they can rake off the top," he said.

Sen. Bob Packwood's and Sen. Mark Hatfield's offices did not return phone calls to respond to DeFazio's claims.

According to *The Chronicle*, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich is adamantly opposed to the Americorp program. In an interview with *Newsweek* magazine, Gingrich said, "I am totally, unequivocally opposed to national service."

DeFazio said Americorp is one of President Bill Clinton's greatest accomplishments as president.

"The whole program costs less than the landing gear of a B-1 Bomber," he said.

Martin said she believes the Americorp program at the University has helped Oregon in a variety of ways. It placed participants in small communities throughout the state to help deal with the timber communities, she said.

"My guess is our communities will stand up," Martin said. "Everybody in Oregon is benefiting from this program."

To show legislators that students don't want to see an end to the in-school interest subsidy, 29 national organizations representing undergraduate, graduate and professional education, have set up the "Save Student Aid Hotline."

By dialing 1-800-574-4AID, students will be connected with their state representative's office. The group also provides information to students who wish to write letters to their representatives.

## MONEY

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vice office for examination.

"Because a bill was passed on campus and a large quantity of the money was found at the library, there is a suspicion" that students are involved, Green said.

While counterfeiting is not a significant problem in Eugene, Green said the improved technology of color copiers has led to an increase in the number of bills made on those machines.

Some of the new copiers on the market employ computer chips that either won't print bills of any denomination, or will turn the end product completely black, Green said.

There are a few easy tests to determine if a bill in any denomination is real. In 1990, the Treasury

Department started putting narrow polyester threads called security strips on the left side of bills. The strips denote the bill's denomination.

Additionally, the words of United States of America surround the portrait of any legitimate bill. The micro-printed words, require a magnifying glass to see. One of the problems with a copied bill, said Green, is that the portrait will appear flat as opposed to three-dimensional.

Among the easiest ways to detect phony money is to compare any suspected cash to the real thing.

"The only way to adequately duplicate American currency is to have the printing plates to do so," Green said.

Anyone with information regarding the counterfeit \$10 bills found around the University should contact police at 687-5121.

positive motivation, Fitzpatrick concluded they had been coached as to how to reply to police and cited the fraternity for hazing.

"At this point, there are charges against us and there is an investigation in progress," DuLong said in a telephone interview. "There is nothing more I can say."

"Hazing is something we're very concerned about," said Elaine Green, student conduct coordinator. "We've done a lot of work on getting rid of it, yet it still goes on."

Green said hazing violates the

student conduct code and penalties for a guilty finding could be as severe as revocation of the fraternity's charter.

Hazing also violates Oregon law, according to Lane County District Attorney Doug Harclerod.

"The statute was written in 1983 and has never been used in Lane County," Harclerod said. He said he hasn't made a determination on how to proceed with the case.

As defined, the statute is a violation with a fine up to \$1,000 if the fraternity is found guilty.

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report.

Fitzpatrick noted the men were all breathing heavily and appeared to be sweating profusely.

Police questioned the President of Sigma Chi, Bryan S. DuLong, 21, who said there was no initiation in progress and the pledges were receiving "positive motivation."


DuLong told police the men had been cleaning showers.

After speaking with three men who said they were cleaning showers on the second floor as



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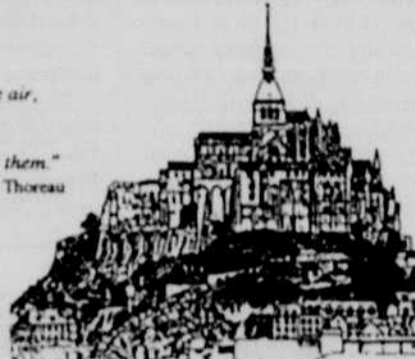
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