

Lee understands

I'm concerned about the Hyundai microprocessor chip plant proposed for Eugene. Indeed, Hyundai relieves a short-term need for jobs and will help jump-start many sectors of our local economy. But we cannot continue to lure manufacturing businesses that provide less than family-wage jobs. Eugene, facing a critical juncture in its development, must attract research and development-type jobs. These jobs will allow people to work with their minds, not just their hands.

Bobby Lee understands this perhaps better than anyone. He knows that we cannot continue to build our economy on this type of industry. As a past student body president and an experienced leader in public policy, Bobby will work for jobs that provide solid wages and opportunities for everyone.

This issue is complex; let's not kid ourselves. There are no easy answers. But Bobby Lee has a balanced approach to this challenge. He has the enthusiasm and know-how to guide Eugene where it should be going: into a promising future in the 21st century.

Paul Kalil
Psychology

Family values

This past week, which was to have been the inauguration of Dave Frohnmayer as University president, has been bittersweet. We've attended lectures and public functions to mark his official move into office without a celebration. At his request, the celebration has been postponed while he and his wife, Lynn, devote their time to the care and recovery of their daughter

Kirsten.

For the past year, he has directed the University from near his daughter's hospital bed in Minneapolis and delayed public formalities. In doing so, President Frohnmayer has set an example that proves not only his capable leadership in office, but the flexibility of a large institution in adjusting to personal needs and parental responsibilities.

At a time when talk about "family values" and public policy has become shop-worn and cliché, President Frohnmayer's actions speak louder than words. He sets a valuable precedent about the rightful place of family priorities within the context of work and the need for family policies for everyone within an institution committed to humane goals.

Martha Ravits
Women's Studies

Linguistic tyranny

The absurd editorial arguing for an in-effect dictatorial bilingualism requiring Spanish to be taught as a compulsory second language in all American public schools (*ODE*, Oct. 27) is a prime example of the professional arrogance now prevalent in American governmental and educational circles.

To mandate Spanish-language study as a response to the tide of largely illegal Hispanic immigrants now flooding this country is reverse chauvinism in the extreme. At present, thankfully, only those presenting educators and social workers willing to bend over backwards to keep their jobs (or to continue kowtowing to superiors who seek to establish a neo-feudal society characterized by masses of immigrant servants, answerable

to their exploitative, professional and capitalist masters) need comply with such linguistic tyranny.

Your editorialist is wrong in assuming school systems are obligated to educate every immigrant foisted upon them. The voters of California have spoken otherwise, and other states are certain to follow.

American working people are learning that the passage of NAFTA and GATT and the continuing criminal governmental facilitation of illegal immigration into this country are part of a larger governmental policy that will destroy the American working class. If left unchallenged, these factors will further establish a feudal, hi-tech, global empire where the players will be ruling technocrats and various strata of compromised servant-grunts controlled by the computer-technology government overlords, who will seek to insert their beliefs into the lives and minds of everyone.

The place for the masses of immigrants entering the United States is not in this country as witting or unwitting facilitators of the U.S. and global imperialism. Instead, they should be potential activists for reform and revolution in their own pathetically corrupt countries (as pathetically corrupt as our own), which they are now so irresponsibly exiting.

John A. Hickam
Eugene

Blame the band

Want to know the real reason the Ducks lost to Stanford? It wasn't the injuries. It wasn't the turnovers. It wasn't even the Cardinal's solid play.

It was the band!
The Ducks may have left the field at halftime feeling down,

but "comeback" was etched in the home crowd's collective mind.

I watched excitedly as the band took to the field waving sparkling banners above their new uniforms. They assembled and the crowd fell silent.

"The Oregon Marching Band will now play the theme to the hit movie, "Water World,"" came the announcement.

The Ducks lost at that instant. With the home crowd completely demoralized, the Cardinal marched to victory.

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