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*Partly cloudy. High 55. Low 40.*

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## Voters defeat sheriff's levy, utility tax

**ELECTION:** Lane county residents thwart both attempts at further taxation

By Sherry Rainey  
Community Editor

The Lane County Sheriff's Levy and Ballot Measure 20-54 were both defeated by wide margins Tuesday night.

As of 10 p.m., the sheriff's levy received a resounding "no," earning only 25,345 votes in favor of the levy and 67,255 votes against the levy.

Jan Clements, Eugene police lieutenant and candidate for the Lane County sheriff, said he sees the defeat as a rejection of the current sheriff's policies.

"What was proposed was extravagant," he said. "There is no question that the amount of property tax requested was too high."

"By placing such a faulty proposal on the ballot," he said in a news release, "the sheriff jeopardized public safety and the jobs of hard-working people in his office."

Eugene's Measure 20-54, the utility tax, also felt its founda-



tion tremble as it only earned 36.6 percent of "yes" votes and received 59.4 percent of "no" votes.

The measure would have placed a 1-percent tax on the use of electricity, natural gas, water, sewer services and cable TV. The proceeds would have funded affordable housing projects and energy assistance to low-income persons.

Jean Tate, co-chair of the Committee for Affordable Housing, was disappointed that the measure was defeated.

"We were quite surprised by the margin," she said, "but at least we educated a few more people about the need for affordable housing."

## Dole snares all seven states in 'Super Tuesday' primary

Sen. Bob Dole easily swept primaries in Oregon, Texas, Florida and four other states Tuesday to gain a virtual lock on the Republican presidential nomination. Dole reached out to his rivals in triumph, and set his sights on the November battle with President Clinton.

"Today, the American people in seven states chose the conservative they want to

lead America, chose the conservative they want in the White House," Dole told a "Super Tuesday" victory rally in Washington.

Even as he walloped them for the fifth straight primary day, Dole made a conciliatory gesture to Steve Forbes and Pat Buchanan. Dole said it was time to "put our ideas

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## UO delegates to attend legislative conference

**LOBBY:** The group will speak to Congressional members about student opinions and concerns

By Kristin Bailey  
Student Activities Reporter

Ten University students begin their journey to Washington, D.C., today to take some issues straight to the law makers.

The University's United States Student Association delegation will participate in the USSA's 27th Annual Grassroots Legislative Conference, a five-day congregation of students from all over the country.

The conference, which will begin Thursday night, includes weekend caucus workshops, educational seminars and lobby training session.

The conference will culminate on Monday with National Student Lobby Day. Throughout the day, students will meet with members of Congress to discuss current concerns of students in the higher education system.

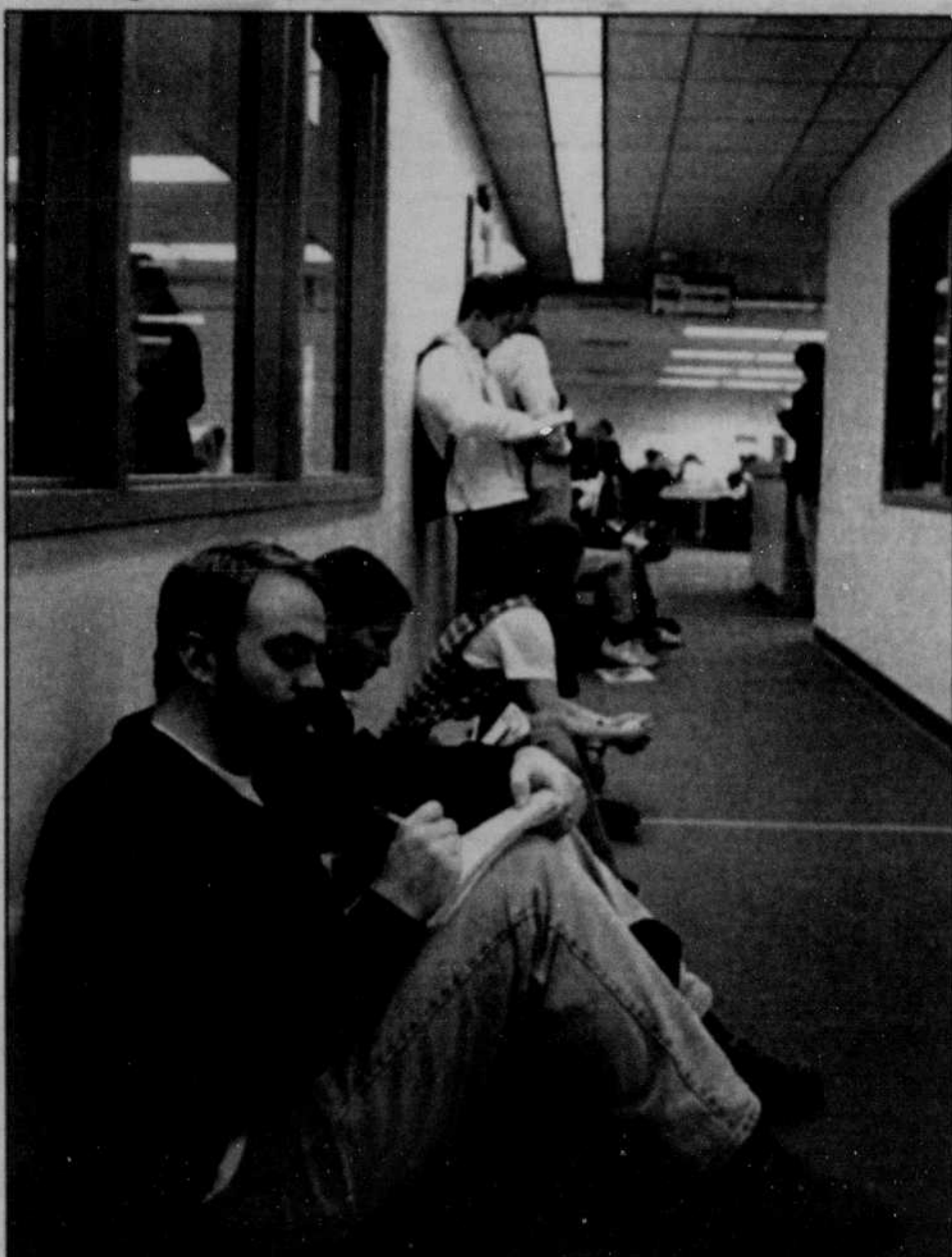
"For us it's a great opportunity, because University students don't often meet the Washington staff of our representatives," said Jennifer Williamson, ASUO president and USSA delegate. "Meeting with students is critical."

Each delegate will be focused on specific issues, delegate Andrea Adams said.

"It's practically impossible to go into those lobby sessions and

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## This bytes



Waiting patiently for a computer, Jeff Link works on an assignment while waiting for his name to be called at the EMU Computing Center on Tuesday. The Computing Center recommends arriving at 8:30 a.m. or 10 p.m. for shorter waiting times.

## Students speak to war games against Taiwan

**CHINA:** U.S. Navy strengthens its military presence to deter attacks against eastern island country

By Sherry Rainey  
Community Editor

A community leader and members of the Taiwanese Students Organization believe that China's current military maneuvers around Taiwan are in response to the country's first presidential election by ballot on March 23.

China launched war games against Taiwan on Tuesday, drawing a Taiwanese threat to strike back if the mock warfare turns into an attack.

The U.S. military said the Chinese deployed warships and staged bombing runs on the first day of the eight-day exercise. This exercise, following three missiles test-fired close to Taiwan on Friday, is part of an alleged Chinese campaign to stop what it sees as a drive toward independence by Taiwan.

Jerry Rust, Lane County commissioner and U.S. Senate candidate, said the war games are an old story that goes back to the 1950s.

"China is reminding Taiwan that it is its province," said Rust, who studied Chinese at the University and studied in Taiwan in 1964. "There is no question that the Chinese are trying to influence the election."

"The U.S. should be cautious and support both sides," he said. "We don't want to threaten one side against the other."

On the other hand, Hui-Ching Chuang, treasurer for the Taiwanese Students Organization, said she hopes Taiwan will get more help from other countries in the Pacific.

"It sounds serious to me," she said, "and I am worried about my family. There are rumors going around Taiwan that this will

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