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TODAY

The ASUO senate will hold a "hot box" rally about a marijuana subsidy in the DDS van today at 4:20. Meet in Suite 4, EMU. av



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It's not an April Fool's joke. Arizona beat Kentucky 84-79 for the NCAA Championship
A U.S. magistrate gave the city until July 15th to move the Skinner Butte cross

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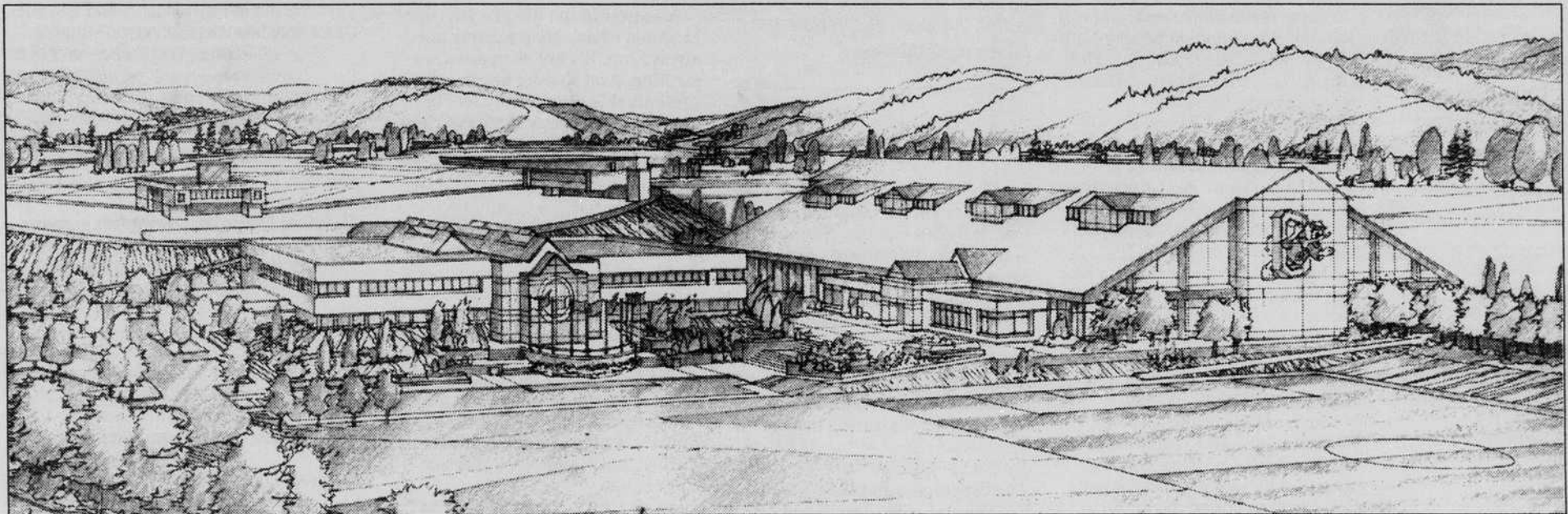
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Mostly sunny.
High 55. Low 30.

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INDOOR PRACTICE FACILITY



COURTESY

This rendering shows what the new facility will look like. Today, University officials and major donors symbolically broke ground for the new practice facility beside Autzen Stadium. Construction actually began on March, 27 1997.

UO begins construction of practice facility

FACILITY: Slated for completion in 1998, construction on the new indoor practice facility is funded entirely by private donations and contributions

By Ryan Frank
Sports Editor

Oregon football head coach Mike Bellotti had the new indoor practice facility on his wish list when he began his coaching career with the Ducks following the 1994 season.

Monday his wish became a reality. The University officially broke ground for the \$13.8 million facility in front of approximately 100 athletic department personnel, donors and media on a windy

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Mac Court seating renovations are underway, with students losing about 200 seats/3

morning. The 117,000-square-foot facility, due for completion in March 1998, will sit southwest of the Casanova Center, an area previously used for 1,800 parking spaces on football game days. The building, which Oregon athletic director Bill Moos said will benefit all student athletes, will include a regulation-size, artificial turf football field, a four-lane, 135-yard track and netting that will be used for two softball cages.

A training room, two classrooms and equipment and field storage areas will also be included in the facility.

Bellotti is excited about the "year-round opportunities" the building will offer his players.

"Certainly for spring football practice and off-season conditioning where kids want to go out throw the ball, kick the ball, they have the perfect place to do it now," he said.

Because the facility will offer the opportunity to escape the rain, Bellotti and women's golf coach Renee Baumgartner both stressed the positive effect it will have on their recruiting.

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MICHAEL CRISP/Emerald

Journalism dean leaves position for new job

MCDONALD: The dean was picked to be the new University Vice President of Public Affairs and Development

By Laura Cadiz
Higher Education Editor

On May 1, Duncan McDonald, dean of the School of Journalism and Communication, will move his office from Allen Hall to Johnson Hall as he acquires the position of University Public Affairs and Development Vice President.

"It came as a very pleasant surprise that President Frohnmayer would ask me to do this," McDonald said.

McDonald's salary will increase to \$110,929 a year, and his appointment will last through June 30, 1999. He will succeed Brodie Remington, who departed from the University in October 1996.

Last fall a nationwide search began to fill the position. But, after reviewing all the applications, Provost John Moseley said the choice was made to search internally for an applicant.

"We felt Duncan would be a better



MCDONALD

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ENDOWMENT



WHAT: Nike CEO Phil Knight earmarked \$1 million of a \$25 million endowment for the University president's salary.

HOW MUCH: The president's salary is up to \$170,000 from \$130,000.

Frohnmayer may receive raise

MONEY: Phil Knight's request that \$1 million of his gift be slated for the UO president still needs approval

By Sarah Keech
Higher Education Reporter

University President Dave Frohnmayer can expect a salary increase of \$40,000 in the near future thanks to University graduate Phil Knight, founder and CEO of the Beaverton-based athletic shoe firm Nike.

Knight, a member of the University's Class of 1959, announced over a week ago that \$1 million of his \$25 million donation from last year to the UO Foundation should be placed in an endowment dedicated to the University President's salary.

Although the UO Foundation has responsibility over the funds they accept and where that money goes, the request to develop an endowment for the presidential salary must be approved by Higher Education Chancellor Joseph Cox before Frohnmayer's increase can officially take effect.

The endowment will increase Frohnmayer's annual salary from the current lev-

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— Jon Jaqua
executive director,
UO Foundation

el of \$130,000 to \$170,000. Frohnmayer also receives an additional expense account averaging \$15,000.

"Knight has a strong feeling that Frohnmayer is doing an exceptional job and he is responsible for the good reputation that the University has throughout the state," said Jon Jaqua, executive director of the UO Foundation.

Jaqua explained Knight wants to retain

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