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TODAY

The Men's Chorus and Women's Chorus will perform at 8 p.m. in Beall Concert Hall. Call 346-5678 for information.



INSIDE

Eugene-based runner Mary Slaney will not challenge her drug suspension in court

Use the Ferry Street Bridge much? Three of the four lanes will disappear during renovation



WEATHER

Mostly sunny.
High 75. Low 55.

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SPECIAL REPORT

Incidental fee bill dies, but fight continues

■ FUNDING:

Some legislators say they will continue in their efforts to place restrictions on incidental fees

By Laura Cadiz
Higher Education Editor

In the beginning, there were three — Senate Bill 530 and House Bills 2782 and 3644, which proposed to eliminate or limit student control over incidental fees at Oregon universities.

Then two died and only one remained — HB 3644. It was amended to prohibit the use of incidental fees by student organizations to support or oppose political committees.

And now there are none.

HB 3644 died Wednesday on the House

of Representatives floor with the final vote tally of 26 ayes and 31 nays.

"Oregon Student Association and other student organizations and alumni and so many great people worked for a long time this session to defeat it," said Ed Dennis of OSA. "That mentality carried through; the 'no' vote carried through."

The spirit behind the bill may not have died with it, sponsors of the bill said.

"We're going to figure out a different way to get it through," said Rep. Carolyn Oakley, a sponsor of the bill.

Oakley said they are currently working

on attaching the idea to another bill.

"It will be probably the very same language that we worked on with OSA. This was a joint effort with OSA," Oakley said.

That language states, "No amount from an incidental fee shall be used by any student organization for the purpose of supporting or opposing any political committee, candidate or ballot measure at the district, city, county, state or federal level."

"We wouldn't draft a bill that would

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McVeigh found guilty in bombing

Timothy McVeigh was convicted Monday for the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City. The jury found McVeigh guilty on all 11 counts of murder and conspiracy and must now decide whether McVeigh should die.

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Protesters speak out at hearing

■ FORUM: Witnesses and protesters complained to city council members about the police's excessive force

By Ryan Maughn
Community Reporter

The citizens of Eugene spoke out Monday night to members of the city council and Mayor Jim Torrey at a public forum. The forum occurred in response to the city's removal of 40 trees from a sight at Broadway and Charnelton

Streets, as well as the police tactics used to contain the individuals who were protesting the removal of the trees.

Among those present to criticize the actions of the city and police officers were former city council members Kevin Hornbuckle and Paul Nicholson, as well as citizens whose age ranged from youth to senior citizens.

WHAT'S NEXT

The city council will look into developing a flexible policy for police actions against protesters in the future.

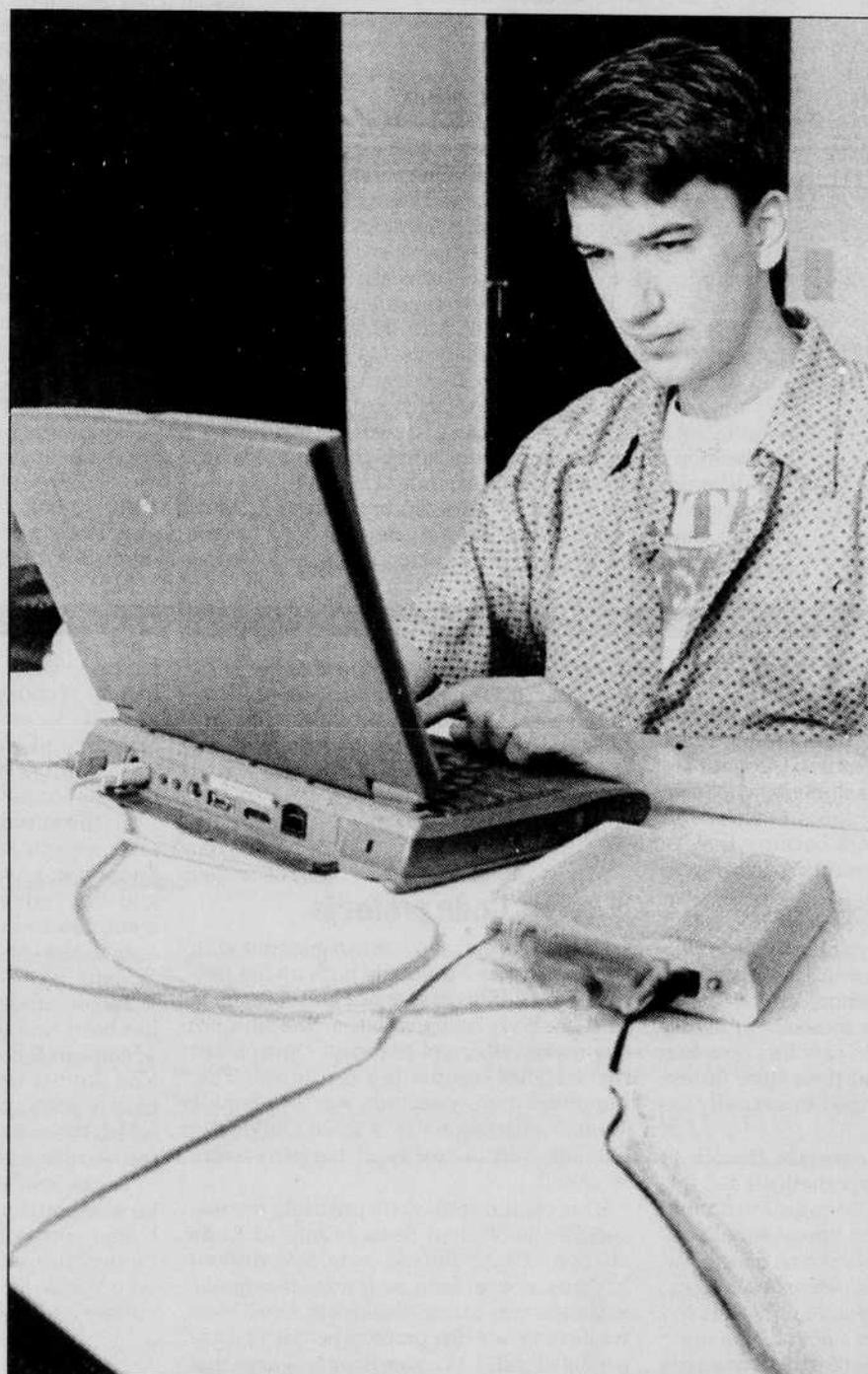
Some citizens again called for a police review board to be implemented by the city council. The council made did not decide on either suggestion.

"I saw yesterday the cops grab a guy off a bike and smash his face into the pavement, and he was not resisting, he repeatedly said 'I'm not resisting,'" said Hornbuckle of his observations at the protest. "And they twisted his arm behind his back but that wasn't enough. They had to stand on his head and then force pepper spray into his eye, nose and mouth. It was fascism in action."

Many of the protesters who were arrested at the demonstration for refusing to come down from the trees were also present at the

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IN FOCUS: THE TECHNOLOGY FEE



Philosophy major Patrick Lundstrom attempts to dial in to University modems from his apartment. The Computer Center has placed a two-hour limit on connection time in order to prevent busy signals.

Limits on on-line time leave some feeling cut off

■ MODEMS: Students dialing in to University computers are limited to just two hours a day and 14 a week

By Laura Cadiz
Higher Education Editor

Three weeks ago, Ariel Jones logged on to her computer and found an e-mail message asking her to decrease her number of on-line hours.

"It makes me mad," said Jones, a classics major. "I feel like they should leave me alone now."

Since 1995 The Computing Center hasn't been "leaving people alone," as it has been monitoring modem connect time for all users because of a limited pool of resources — 330 modems, said Joe St. Sauver, assistant director of academic user services at the Computer Center.

Monitoring was implemented after numerous complaints from users reporting they were having a hard time logging on to the system through modems, St. Sauver said.

"Demand for modem access exceeds available capacity, and we received numerous complaints from users who simply could never get connected," he said.

Journalism Professor John Russial is one of those people who can never seem to get past the busy signals.

Russial said he continually attempted to log on to the system, throughout various hours of the day, and was continually defeated.

"It makes it difficult to communicate with students over the weekend," he said. "I've actually given up trying for the most part."

So now he only uses the University's on-line services through his ethernet connection in his office in the School of Journalism and Communication.

"I've definitely changed my home e-mail," he said. "It's been a waste of time

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