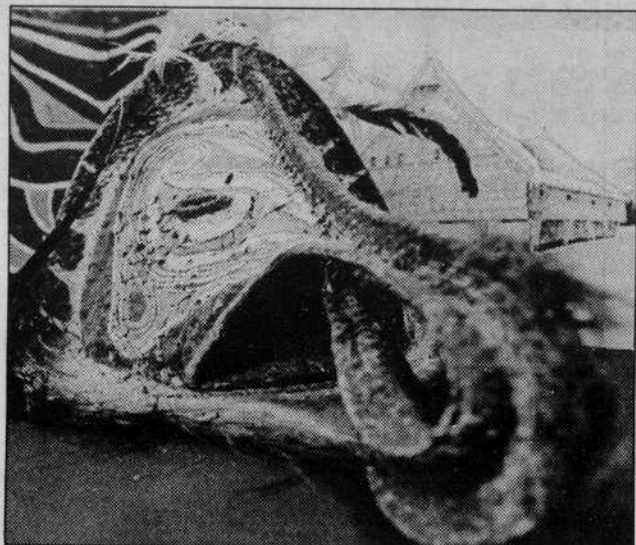




Mike Crisp for the Emerald

Artifacts of Prof. Ruff's are on display at the UO Museum of Natural History.

American survivors of World War II in the South Pacific. He began collecting artifacts that he feared were disappearing in the changing culture, he wrote in a pamphlet on the Architectural Heritage Centre of Papua New Guinea.

This collection grew during 16 years when he took three sabbaticals from the University to travel overseas. In 1976, Ruff moved to New Guinea with his wife, Ruth, and they continued to document the historical and ceremonial structures of the South Pacific people.

They eventually donated most of their collection including photographs, sketches and artifacts to the Bishop Museum in Honolulu. A small collection is also housed at the University Museum of Natural History.

"He really touched people

with his passion for what he did," said Cindy Gabai, exhibitions coordinator at the University Museum of Natural History, who worked with Ruff.

Ruff's passions also inspired his students at the University.

University graduate Ron Cameron was one of Ruff's students and eventually became one of his business partners in Ruff, Cameron, Lacoss and Associates, a landscape architecture firm in Eugene.

"He was a great professor," Cameron said. "He was a great teacher, and I learned a tremendous amount from him. He had a positive effect on my career and on the careers of a lot of other landscape architects."

A memorial service in Eugene is tentatively planned for Nov. 6, Jette said.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

CENS

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"After some 12 years of planning, Lane County now has the means to rapidly notify at-risk citizens in the event of a public safety emergency," Scalise said. "Lane County is the first area in the country to utilize a telephone-based alerting system of this level of sophistication."

Howard said CENS will help Lane County adhere to the na-

tion's Clean Air Act of 1990 which requires a plan to minimize the consequences of a potential hazardous materials release.

CENS is projected to cost \$80,000 in start-up costs and another \$50,000 a year to maintain the system. Local governments, utilities and private companies have pledged more than 90 percent of the project's estimated \$182,000 cost for the first three years.

Prior to CENS, emergency res-

cue personnel carried the burden of notifying people of impending disaster.

"Using this phone system will speed up the process," said Skip Passenger, deputy chief of the Suislaw Fire Protection District. "It will allow rescue personnel to concentrate on their jobs."

Wednesday morning, Lane County area 911 coordinators ran a preliminary test of CENS to 72 residents in the county. All 72 people were successfully notified.

Grayson

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changes, such as improved acoustics and lighting will facilitate interaction between teachers and students, Rice said.

The goal for Grayson Hall is to create classrooms that have 20 to 23 square feet of workspace per student. Currently, the average classroom has 10 to 13 square feet per student. Room 138 in Gilbert Hall has only five square feet per student, one of the worst on campus, he said.

The Computing Center's help desk and the hardware and software consulting desks will be moved to Grayson Hall creating a convenient, central location for students to get help with their computers, said Lynn Buffing, chairperson of the Computing Center User Group.

"A lot of the services we provide for students will be moved to Grayson," she said.

A new computer lab on the first floor will have 20 Microsoft Windows-based stations for open use. In the same lab, 25 additional computer stations will be set up for instruction. The lab will be equipped with a color scanner and a laser printer, Buffing said.

Students will be able to plug in personal laptop computers at tables around a new cyber-cafe on the first floor. The cafe will be operated by EMU Food Service, she said.

The majority of the construction on the \$4 million project will be internal, said Planning Associate Fred Tepfer.

External improvements to accessibility and entrances are meant to improve Grayson Hall's connection with the rest of the campus, he said.

Planning for the remodel began in spring of 1998. The building is scheduled to be occupied in the summer of 2000, Tepfer said.

Thursday, Oct. 14

The University bookstore is sponsoring a reading and book signing with Author Kathleen Tyau of her book "Makai." It starts at 7:30 p.m. in the browsing room of the Knight Library. For more information, call Tom Gerald at the University Bookstore at 346-4331.

The Office of Business Affairs will hold an open house from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the first-floor lobby of Oregon Hall. It will feature displays on the various services offered including the University Loan Program, Tax Relief Act and Purchasing Support Services. The free event includes refreshments. For information, call Dave Musgrove at 346-4340.

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