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## Oregon great nears finish

Senior Marie Davis has put last season's upsets behind her and is ready for the NCAA Indoor meet, the last for the Ducks' five-time All-American. **PAGE 7**

## The Flash

### State Supreme Court visiting University

The Oregon Supreme Court will visit the University today to hear cases on search and seizure, overtime pay and new sentencing guidelines.

University students are invited to attend the proceedings, which will be held from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

This is an annual event founded by the University School of Law's Legal Research and Writing Program.

The court will convene in Room 175 at the William W. Knight Law Center, 1515 Agate St. Call 346-3848 for more details.

### First of EgyptAir 990 victims identified

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — The remains of the first victims of EgyptAir Flight 990 have been identified, four months after the plane plunged into the ocean.

Medical, dental and fingerprint records were used to determine the identities of the 14 victims — all U.S. residents — paving the way for families to bury their relatives.

The EgyptAir flight crashed Oct. 31 off the Massachusetts island of Nantucket, killing the 217 people on board. A salvage ship worked for a week in December, raising the wreckage and remains off the ocean floor.

## State university faculty underpaid

This is the second of a two-part series about faculty salaries.

**Monday:** Many University faculty are leaving for better-paying jobs at other universities.

**Today:** Oregon universities pay among the lowest faculty salaries in the country, which could be detrimental to the quality of education.

Faculty at Oregon universities are making up to \$18,000 less than the national average

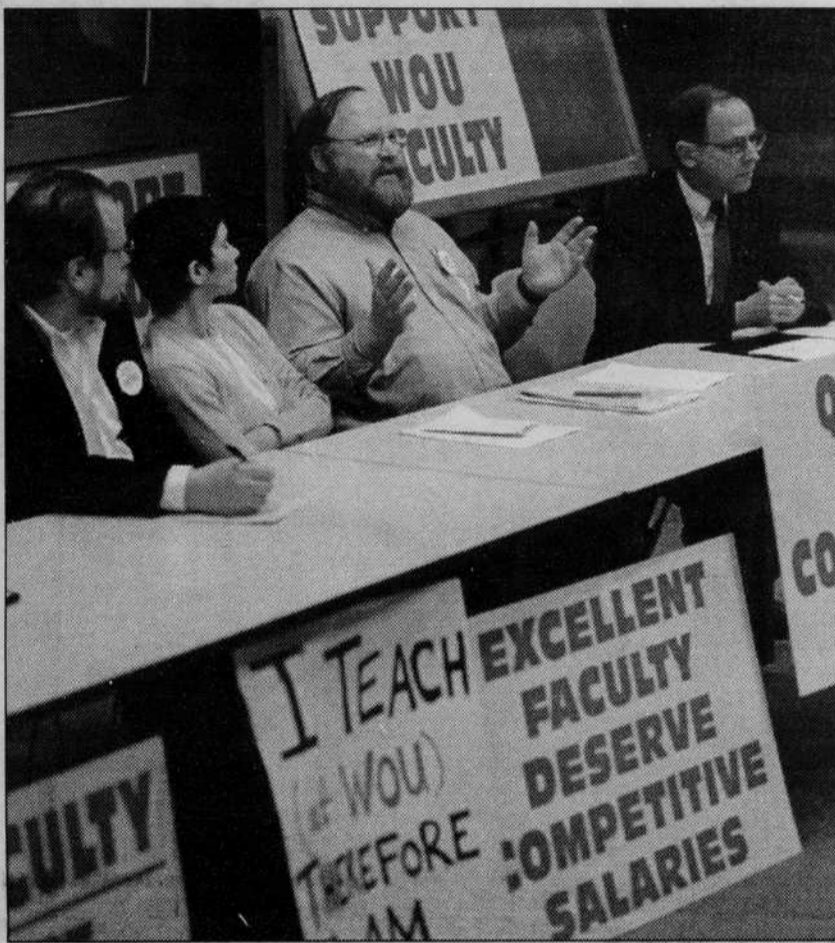
By Jessica Blanchard  
Oregon Daily Emerald

Faculty within the Oregon University System, armed with statistics to back up their complaints, have become increasingly vocal in recent months on the topic of faculty salaries, which they believe are too low. Most recently, about 80 faculty, staff and students, many from Western Oregon University in Monmouth, rallied for higher faculty salaries at the Feb. 18 meeting of the Board of Higher Education at the University.

Holding signs with slogans such as "University Professor with Ph.D. — will teach 4 food," instructors and students relayed their message that when faculty are underpaid, morale falls, productivity goes down and faculty recruitment and retention become more difficult.

Some board members have responded positively to faculty pleas for higher salaries. Geri Richmond, a board member and chemistry professor at the University, responded to facul-

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Dean Braa, a sociology professor and faculty union president at Western Oregon University, speaks about low salaries, which he says do not adequately reflect the faculty's high workloads.

## Internship experience a must for graduates

Even in a thriving job market, a college degree does not guarantee a job after graduation

By Ben Romano  
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Even in Oregon's strong economy, which boasts its lowest unemployment rate in four years, the most sought after jobs aren't just handed to any college graduate who walks in the door.

Just ask Suzanne Stainbrook, a planning analyst for Adidas in Beaverton. Stainbrook graduated from the University in 1998 with a degree in business administration and her eye on a career in the competitive fields

of finance and sports marketing.

"It's pretty fortunate," Stainbrook said of landing her post right out of college, but it was what she did while still in school that gave her a competitive advantage.

"I did a lot of internships and had a feel for what I wanted," she said.

Internships and other preparations outside of the classroom are exactly what graduates need to be doing, said James Chang, assistant director of undergraduate career services for the Lundquist College of Business.

"The job market is good, but it's not a time for students to let their guard down," he said.

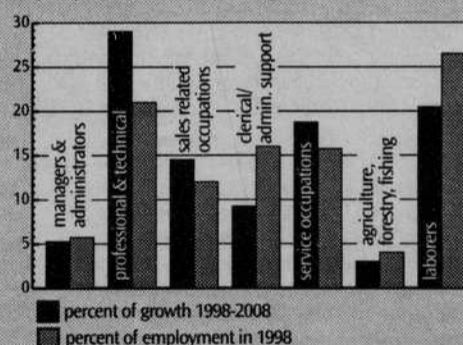
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### Employment in Oregon

Professional and technical jobs are projected to account for nearly 30 percent of employment growth in the next 8 years.



SOURCE: Oregon Employment Department

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## New Web site offers computer guidance

In a computer age, local organizations make it possible for low-income computer novices to get connected

By Brian Goodell  
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In his most recent State of the Union address, President Clinton said information is the principal measure of wealth. In an age when dot-coms dominate the flow of information, many are blaming a lack of access to Internet technology on the increase in the gap between the rich and the poor. In Lane County, computer savvy volunteers and social service workers are trying to reduce this poverty gap through education and making information available to everyone.

A Web site called TheLane opened in November to help Lane County residents find local

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## Groups set thier sights on housing concerns

Pinpointing the problem of renters' rights is the easy part, although fixing them will be more difficult

By Emily Gust  
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Help is on the way for students who find their living situations to be less than satisfactory.

Since fall term of last year, the ASUO, along with the Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group, has been spearheading a campaign for renters' rights. The action seeks to discover the problems students meet when renting a



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### WEATHER

Today Wednesday



RAIN

high 50, low 31



MOSTLY CLOUDY

high 51, low 41