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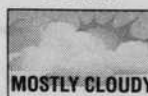
1-0, and ready for more

The Oregon men's basketball team opened its season with a strong win Friday. **PAGE 7**

Senate anyone?

Avoiding impeachment hearings, two student senators resign their posts, create vacancies. **PAGE 5**

WEATHER
TODAY



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Election will be decided in court

Democrat and Republican leaders express frustration as decisions continue to be delayed

By Ron Fournier
AP Political Writer

Governor George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore marshaled their legal forces Sunday for a climactic state Supreme Court showdown, with GOP lawyers saying it would be unjust "to keep the state and the nation on hold" during interminable recounts. Democrats said the truth can't be rushed, as jangled nerves and protests punctuated another painstaking day of south Florida vote counting.

With the long-count presidential election stretching into a third agonizing week, the court strategy of both camps reached critical mass: Republicans hope to stop manual recounts that threaten Bush's 930-vote lead out of 6 million cast in make-or-break Florida; Democrat Gore wants the work to grind away, under rules most favorable to him, though his aides fretted Sunday over how little progress they've made in the slow-moving recounts.

The candidates kept a low profile as their lawyers prepared for a momentous Supreme Court hearing Monday. Each went for a jog and to church.

Calling these "extraordinary times," Bush's lawyers argued in court papers that Republican Secretary of State Katherine Harris has the authority to certify election results without accepting hand counts. They also said allowing the recounts to continue in scattered Democratic-leaning counties would violate the constitutional rights of voters elsewhere.

"The selective manual recounts authorize county boards to engage in arbitrary and unequal counting of votes, and result in the disparate treatment of Florida voters based solely on where within the state they happen to reside," Bush argued.

In a separate brief, Harris tried to distance herself from both Bush and Gore, even as Democrats pointed to her GOP presidential campaigning as a sign of bias. All seven Supreme Court justices were appointed by Democratic governors.

"It is clear, that for the Democrats and the Republicans, the object is to win, and that is understandable," Harris' brief said. "The stakes are very high."

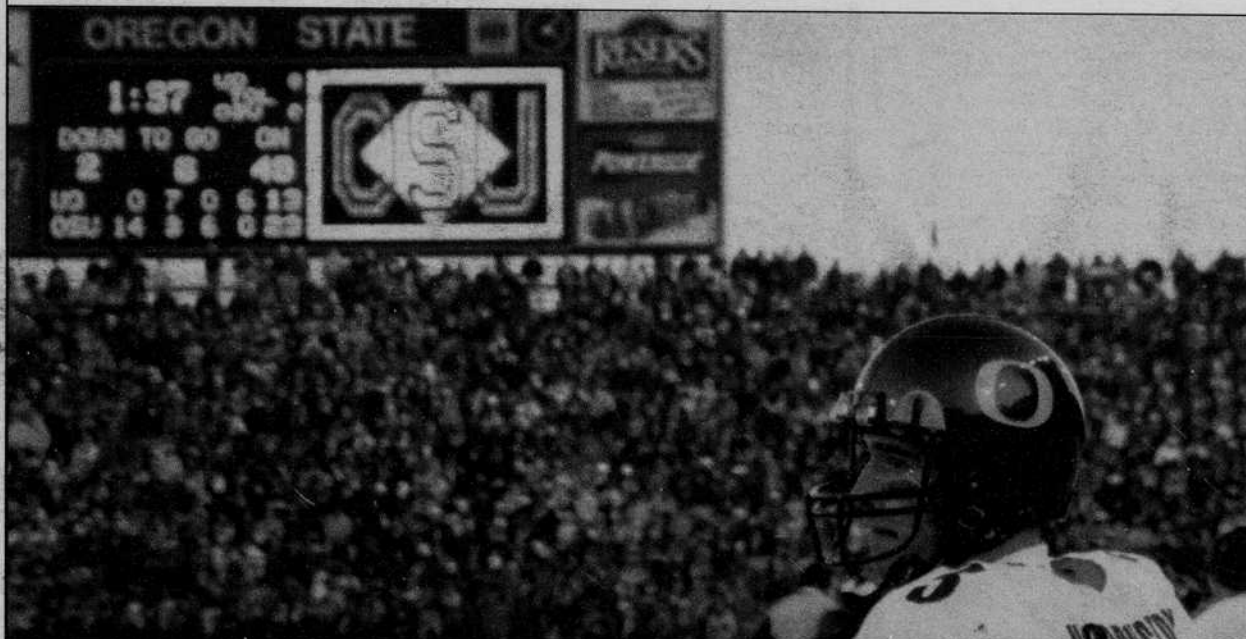
In its paper reply, the Gore team asked the court to set a generous standard for officials to "ascertain the electorate's will" when ballots were punched in the disputed presidential election. They said local election officials in close cases can "determine the voter's intent" by closely examining the ballot.

Twelve days after America voted, the weekend tally of overseas absentee ballots lengthened Bush's tiny 300-vote lead to a still-minuscule 930.

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HEARTBREAK

The Rose Bowl would have been Oregon's to cherish with a victory over Oregon State. Instead, the Beavers dominated, leaving the Ducks' bowl destination up in the air.



Tom Patterson Emerald

Oregon quarterback Joey Harrington can only look on with despair as Oregon State and its pumped sold-out crowd count down the seconds until its 23-13 victory is complete. With the win, the Beavers join the Ducks and the Huskies as the Pacific-10 Conference co-champions.

Oregon's Rose Bowl hopes come to an end at the hands of its surging in-state rivals

By Jeff Smith
Oregon Daily Emerald

CORVALLIS — On one side, there was jubilation. On the other, tears.

Oregon's dramatic season was tarnished by its 23-13 defeat to in-state rival Oregon State in the 104th — and

most significant — edition of the Civil War.

There will be no trip to Pasadena for the 2000 Ducks.

"It's hard now because we didn't play our best game," Oregon head coach Mike Bellotti said. "In a championship game at the opponent's field I don't

think you can spot them touchdowns."

The Ducks did just that in front of a sold-out Reser Stadium crowd of 36,044, as the Beavers jumped out to an early 14-0 first quarter lead. Oregon finally cracked the scoreboard at the 7:38 mark of the second quarter on a Joey Harrington six-yard touchdown run to cut the lead to 17-7, but the damage had been done.

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Different kind of 'Civil War' wages on over central Oregon

A field studies center in Bend is the University's latest tactic

By Eric Martin
Oregon Daily Emerald

University officials dealt the latest blow in their battle with Oregon State University over a proposed Central Oregon branch campus recently when it announced plans for a field studies center in Bend.

The center will serve as a home base for students and faculty conducting field research in six liberal art disciplines, and is a component of the University's branch campus plan, said University Vice Provost Jack

Rice. The field studies center has no established location yet, but Rice said the University is looking at several sites close to Central Oregon Community College in west Bend.

"This is a nexus for the community outreach program that will be highly visible," Rice said. "It will improve education opportunities for students in Eugene and on the [Central Oregon Community College] campus."

The announcement has intensified what has become a "Civil War" between the University of Oregon and OSU to offer their four-year degree programs in Central Oregon

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Flu vaccinations ready only for at-risk students, staff

After a long delay, flu vaccines are available for those who need it most

By Brooke Ross
Oregon Daily Emerald

The University Student Health Center has begun to receive the flu vaccine and students and faculty can now receive flu shots on campus. Shipments of 300 doses will continue to arrive at the center every week for the rest of fall term.

All of the health center's 3,000 doses should be delivered by Dec. 18.

Currently, the vaccines are only being ad-

ministered to at-risk students and faculty who suffer from asthma, diabetes, immune system weaknesses or are older than 65.

Health Center Director Dr. Gerald Fleischli said he is particularly concerned that all at-risk students get their shots. Fleischli said at-risk cases will be taken care of first because they could face serious health problems if not treated. He said the health center has enough vaccine for the at-risk cases, but does not yet have enough for



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