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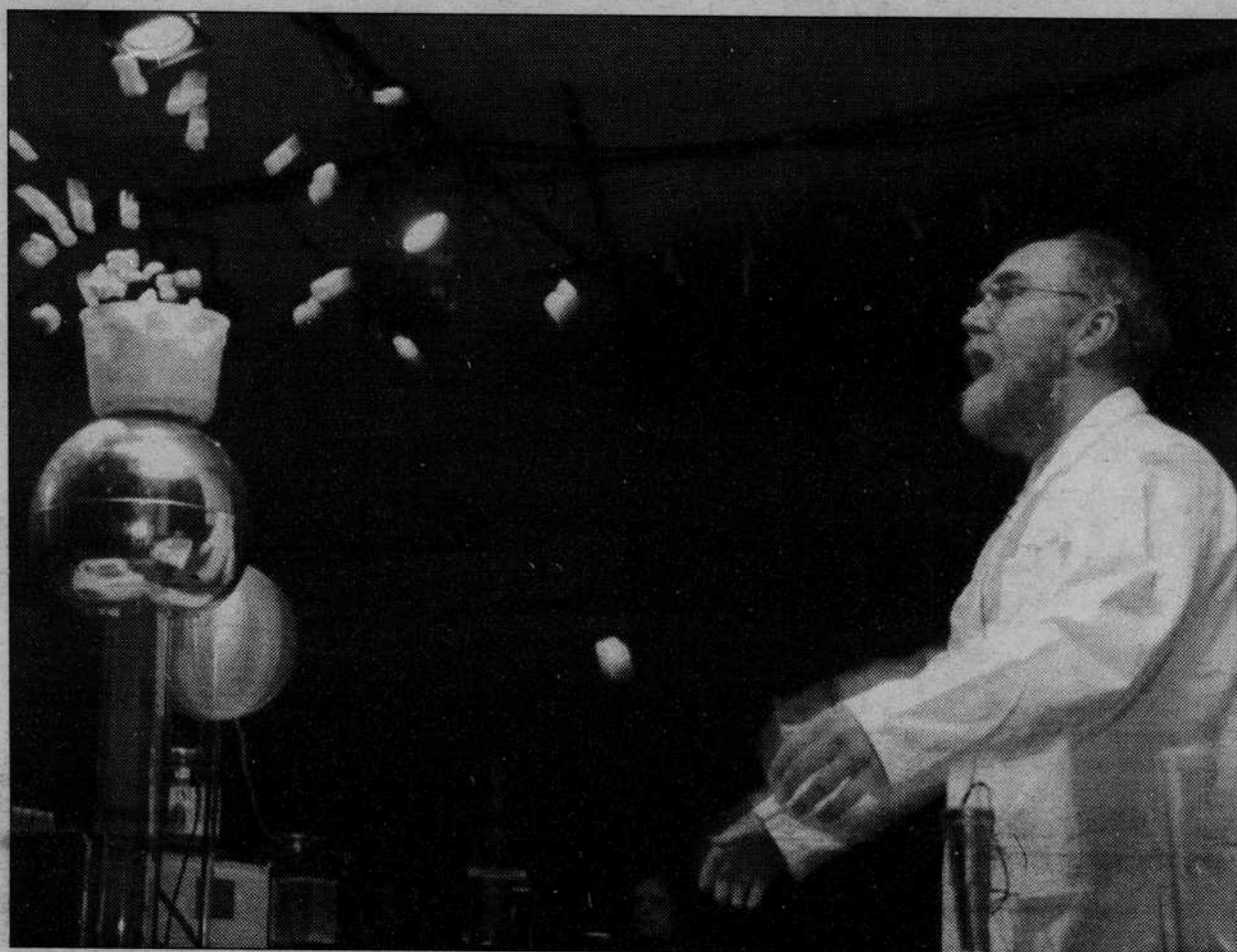
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Stan Micklavzina of "Dr. Stan's Science Circus" demonstrates the wonders of static electricity with packaging popcorn in front of an awestruck crowd. The physics professor has educated and entertained for more than 15 years on both the University campus and around town.

Register-Guard labor practices deemed unfair

■ Federal Judge Albert A. Metz ruled in favor of employees who charged mistreatment and a refusal to bargain in good faith with the union

By Aaron Breniman
Oregon Daily Emerald

A federal administrative law judge found the publisher of The Register-Guard in violation of labor laws Tuesday, stemming from the management's treatment of employees and refusal to bargain with a local union.

Judge Albert A. Metz found that the newspaper's management violated the National Labor Relations Act in attempting to stop the employees from organizing, "creating an impression of surveillance," wrongful dismissal and providing incen-

tives for employees to not support organizing efforts.

"We continue to believe the unfair labor practice charges filed by the teamsters are unfounded and we intend to ask the National Labor Relations Board to dismiss the charges," Register-Guard director of Human Resources Cynthia Walden read from a prepared statement written by General Manager Fletcher Little.

In his finding, Metz singled out the Register-Guard's top executive for criticism.

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Redistricting may split up students

■ The state legislature is hearing plans for redrawing house and senate district lines, which will affect the University community

By Lindsay Buchele
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Members of the State Rules and Redistricting Committee listened to Eugene residents and city officials yesterday on how redistricting lines should be drawn.

Every 10 years, the state legislature forms a committee to evaluate which house and senate district lines need to be redrawn. Due to population expansion in some districts and population decline in others, lines in Eugene and throughout the state must be shifted so that each district has a similar population.

Rep. Phil Barnhart, D-Eugene, said House District 41, which he represents, and House District 39 each have a population of about 48,000. The state average, however, has been raised to 57,000, meaning each district must come as close to reaching this target population as possible.

The only way for the committee to accomplish this is by drawing new boundaries for the districts, while at the

same time keeping areas with common interests together, Barnhart said.

Groups that citizens and the committee wish to keep within the same district include businesses and students.

Suggestions for redistricting include splitting District 41 by using the Willamette River as a boundary. In effect, this boundary would divide the off-campus student population by those living in the University neighborhoods and those living in Ducks Village, the University Commons and Chase Village apartment complexes.

"This would harm the already weak University student voice," University student Jed McGuire said. "The river actually unites the students."

James Rice, a Eugene lawyer and resident of District 40, said it's important to keep the business community together in District 41, rather than join it with District 40 which includes the Turn to Redistricting, page 6

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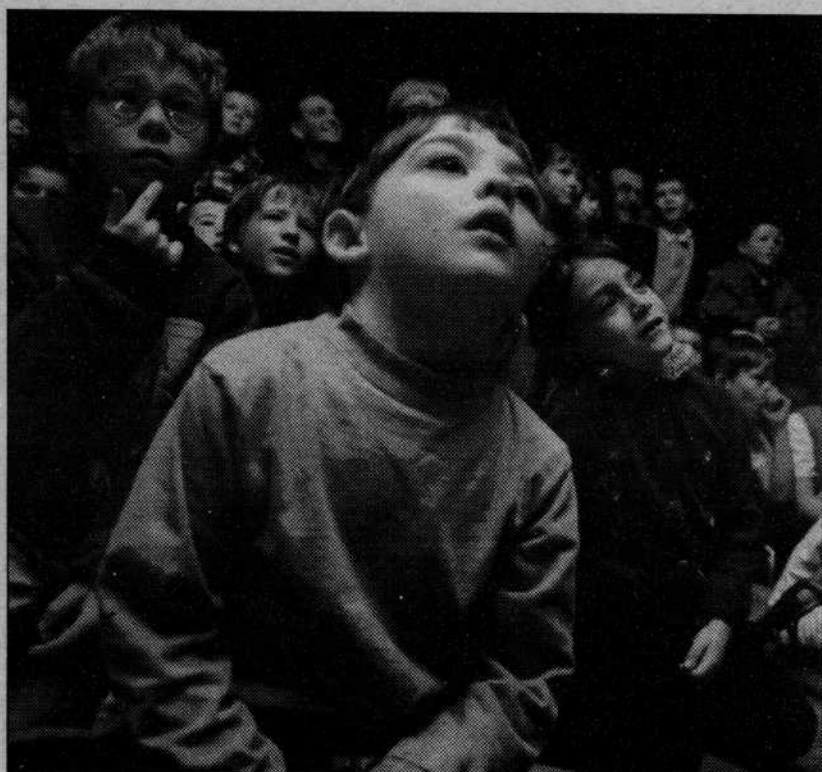
■ The zany delights of "Dr. Stan's Science Circus" attracted 175 guests and raised \$650 for elementary schools

By Aaron K. Breniman
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Terms like quantum physics, kinetic energy, thermal dynamics and electro-magnetism may be but a faint memory from that barely passed high-school science class, but the persona and excitement of one University faculty member makes physics unforgettable.

If you've taken an undergraduate physics course, chances are you've seen his work. A lover of the physical sciences, particularly the dynamics of light, physics department Senior Instructor Stan Micklavzina estimates he arranges for about a thousand Bill-Nye-the-Science-Guy-like demonstrations per year for undergraduate physics classes at the University.

Micklavzina graduated from the University with a bachelor's degree in physics in 1983, and in 1985 received his master's degree. Working full-time in the Demonstration Room since 1985, Micklavzina provides support for lecture demonstrations and works closely with professors of undergraduate physics classes.



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Five-year-old Uriah Dubey (front) gazes transfixed at the performance of "Dr. Stan's Science Circus." Dubey was escorted to the show by his dad Jonathan, who came just for the fun of it.

His work doesn't always end when he leaves his office in Willamette Hall, however. In addition to his campus duties, Micklavzina regular-

ly takes his love for physics to local elementary schools.

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