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who gears up before every game. He said normally on the Thursday of game weeks, he makes a stop at the bookstore to see if there's anything to add to his game attire.

Aside from the emerald-green paint that he splatters all over his face for games, he usually wears a Harrington jersey his father gave him before the UCLA game last year. "It's kind of cheesy," he said. "But you've got to represent the team. It's total fan support."

The correlation of enthusiasm for the team and sales in Duck paraphernalia was especially obvious during the Wisconsin game in Sep-

tember, when the Ducks were ranked No. 7 in the Associated Press poll. Between the Duck Shops in Portland and at the stadium, the kiosk in Valley River Center, concessions and bookstore sales, more than \$100,000 in Duck gear was sold on that Game Day alone, according to bookstore representatives.

"That was probably one of the biggest days in our history for sportswear sales," sportswear buyer Beverly Emery said, adding that sales have also been high this week leading up to the Civil War game against Oregon State University.

Emery said memorabilia sales, which include items such as magnets, nail polish and temporary tattoos, have seen an even sharper rise

this year. Pompoms, "quackers" and car flags have been a few of the hot items during game weeks, she said.

"We were shocked at how popular the memorabilia were. It's a real high demand that we didn't even realize," she said. "Anything to show their pride."

A sportswear buyer for 18 years, Emery added that when the Ducks weren't playing as well, the sales weren't even close to what they are now.

Williams, who has been the bookstore manager for 26 years, said sales reached their peak in 1995, when the Ducks went to the Rose Bowl. The sales from that successful season led to a 1 percent increase in the course book discount, which

used to be only 9 percent.

"It was an extraordinary moment in time," he said. "And people would just come and buy and buy and buy."

He added that students are not the only consumers responsible for the high numbers — half of the sales come from alumni.

Jim Perry, former president of the alumni association and a member of

two new Duck items a year and comes back for most of the games.

"I've got a closet full of that stuff," he said with a laugh. "It's great when you see all that green and vel low in the stands. That's a big boost to the team."

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Crime

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Hicks called the numbers an accurate reflection of crime on campus, but cautioned that statistics don't always tell the whole story.

"(Those numbers) are as accurate as crime statistics are," Hicks said. "But you have to look at any crime statistics with a certain degree of realism."

Hicks said that the increased number of liquor and drug law violations could be because of the fact that Department of Public Safety officers were stationed in residence halls last year. This could also account for the drop in burglary numbers. However, he was quick to point out that crime is often cyclical.

"We would like to think that it's because of increased patrols and presence," he said. "But burglary is the type of crime that goes up and down."

Colleges have been required to disclose crime on and around campuses since 1990, when Congress passed the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act. In 1998, the law was amended to expand reporting requirements and renamed the Clery Act in memory of Jeanne Ann Clery, a 19-year-old Lehigh University freshman who was raped and murdered while asleep in her residence hall room on April 5, 1986. The Clery Act requires all Title IV eligible schools to publish and distribute an annual campus security report. The DOE is required to compile statistics from those colleges and make them available to the public.

Last year, in response to the amendment, the department's Office of Postsecondary Education began posting crime statistics on the Inter-

Campus attacker last seen May 21

It's been more than six months since the last of six attacks on college-age women occurred on campus, and according to Associate Director of Public Safety Tom Hicks, there have been no new developments in the case.

"We haven't had any other incidents similar to those," he said. The attacks began last February and continued through late May. In each incident, a woman in her late teens or early 20s was harassed and grabbed by a man who made sexual comments and used threatening language. All of the attacks took place after dark, and in one incident, the attacker had a knife.

In each case, the woman escaped unharmed, but the Eugene Police Department and the Department of Public Safety warned women on campus not to walk alone at night and posted warning signs around campus. One of the women was able to give a fairly complete description of her attacker, and the resulting composite sketch became a common sight in area newspapers.

The last attack occurred on May 21 in Pioneer Cemetery, and since then, there have been no further sightings of the suspect.

—Leon Tovey

net. The process of posting results went more smoothly this year than last year, but some feel there are still problems.

"We're still seeing some inconsistencies in the data," said S. Daniel Carter, vice president of Security on Campus, a nonprofit campus-crime watchdog group.

One problem with the statistics posted on the site, Carter said, is that many schools omit disciplinary actions and judiciary referrals in their reports. Those referrals, which are most often handed out for liquor and drug law violations, can in some cases double the number of statistics in a given category. The University gave more than 400 disciplinary actions/judicial referrals for liquor law violations in 2000 and more than 200 for drug law violations, but it made fewer than 200 liquor law arrests and only 71 drug law arrests.

Hicks said the reason for this dis-

crepancy is that many universities have drug and alcohol regulations that differ from municipal codes, and that some institutions prefer to handle such matters internally, rather than turning students over to law enforcement officials.

Carter said that while the OPE Web site is "getting closer" to accurately depicting crime on campus, the DOE needs to give schools clearer requirements. Also, he said, a strong enforcement mechanism for its reporting policy needs to be developed.

The University reported no murders, no manslaughters and no weapons violations between 1998 and 2000 — the three years the DOE has required statistics. The statistics can be viewed in their entirety on the OPE Web site at ope.ed.gov/security.

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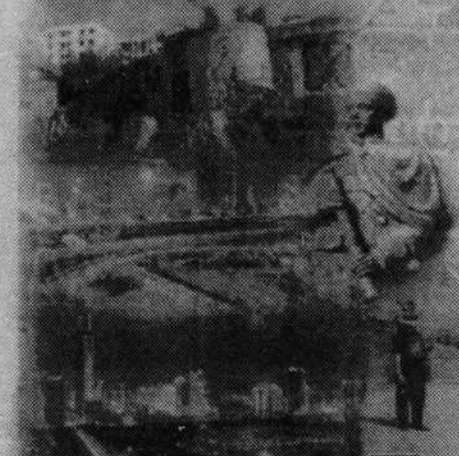
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