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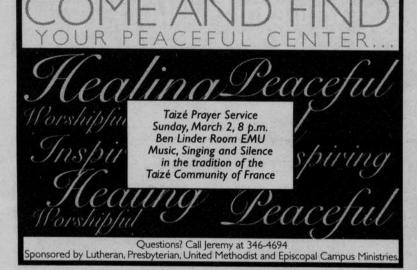
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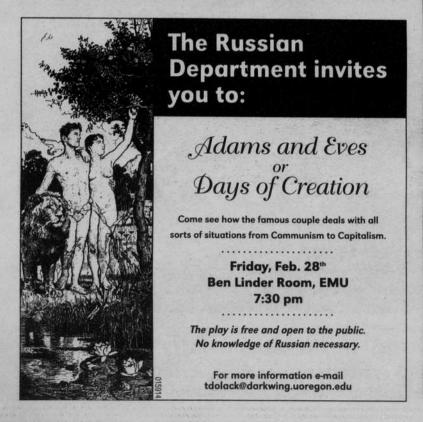
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Leading history

Black History Month person of the day

Bayard Rustin was born in West Chester, Penn., on March 17, 1912. His grandmother raised him in a Quaker community. Rustin first experienced racism on a school trip when a restaurant refused to serve him. In high school, he excelled at sports, academics and choir, singing with a strong tenor voice.

Rustin attended Wilberforce University, Cheney State Teachers College and the City College of New York. He became involved with the Young Communist League and helped organize the Congress of Racial Equality in the early 1940s.

Rustin was a follower of Mahatama Gandhi and a proponent of non-violent action to end segregation. In 1947, he organized the "Journey of Reconciliation," which would be used as a model for the later Freedom Rides.

During the 1950s, Rustin became an integral founder of the civil rights movement along with A. Phillip Ran-

dolph, and he was a key advisor to Martin Luther King Jr., convincing him to fully embrace non-violent tactics. Rustin was the main organizer for the 1963 March on Washington.

Throughout his life, Rustin was openly gay, although this often relegated him to a behind-the-scenes position. His foes, chief among them Strom Thurmond and Jesse Helms, denigrated his efforts because of his homosexuality and his early involvement with communism.

Nevertheless, Rustin spoke his mind thoughout his life and championed many causes, including anti-nuclear demonstrations, war resistance and the Free India movement. He was jailed more than 20 times for issues of conscience.

Rustin died of cardiac arrest on Aug. 24, 1987, in New York City.

- Michael J. Kleckner



Daniel Cadigan, a freshman at South Eugene High School, passed the 10th grade benchmark in multiple choice mathematics.

Mark McCambridge Emerald

OUS soon to implement new admission standard

The PASS program, which focuses on high school test scores, will be fully enacted as an admission standard by 2005

Jan Montry

City/State Politics Reporter

Counselors from community high schools have mixed feelings about an OUS study released this month showing that high school sophomores who scored well on their 10th grade benchmark were more likely to succeed as college freshmen.

The study will be used as a foundation for the Proficiency-based Admission Standards System, a new admission standard that will be completely implemented into OUS by 2005. The study results failed to impress some counselors around the state, and others are critical of the new PASS program, contending that its implementation would be costly and time consuming for schools, especially given the struggling state economy.

Some counselors said it is unreasonable to assume schools can handle the extra responsibility of implementing PASS at the high school level. However, grant funding makes up about 80 percent of PASS funding, and about half of the \$5.7 million received since 1994 has gone to high schools for teacher training and materials.

Amy Adams-Schauer, a counselor at Churchill High School, said the study did not surprise her because students with good grades tend to

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Study links high school and college achievements

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Community reaction to the new study

score well on the benchmark tests — an indicator that the student will also do well in college.

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