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Allies seize suspected terrorist camp

Peter Smolowitz and Steven Thomma Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

DOHA, Qatar - Allied bombs pummeled Baghdad defenses Sunday as coalition forces seized a suspected terrorist

U.S. and British warplanes struck fuel depots, a train believed to be carrying Iraqi tanks and a presidential palace used by Saddam Hussein. And top U.S. officials again raised the prospect that Hussein may be dead or disabled, the possible victim of a U.S. strike on the war's first day.

Not all news Sunday was good for the coalition: A man in civilian clothes drove a pickup truck into a line of U.S. soldiers in Kuwait, injuring 15. And the U.S. death toll grew to 43 with the deaths of five Marines in three separate incidents.

Facing reporters at his headquarters in Qatar, U.S. Army Tommy General Franks brushed aside questions about the progress

Community members rally, to support troops. PAGE 8 of the war or dis-

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agreements inside the Pentagon. The war is proceeding well, he said, and the Iraqi government is doomed, with or without Hussein.

The regime is in trouble," said Franks, overall commander of the war, "and they know it."

American and British pilots continued to enjoy command of the skies, bombing military targets in and around

They struck the Abu Garayb Presiden-

tial Palace, the Karada Intelligence Complex, two surface-to-air missile complexes, a paramilitary training center and telephone exchanges, all in Baghdad, according to the U.S. Central Command. They also struck a train and fuel storage depots near Karbala, where the Republican Guard is dug in to stop the expected assault on Baghdad by the U.S. Army's 3rd Infantry Division.

Allied forces also attacked the suspected Khurmal terrorist camp north of Baghdad in northeast Iraq — identified by U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell in a pre-war speech to the United Nations killing an undetermined number of presumed terrorists in the process, U.S. officials said. British media reported that 120 were killed.

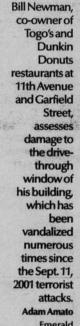
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Pauline Lubens San Jose Mercury News

A stream of Iraqi civilians leave Basra, Iraq, Sunday heading further south toward the Kuwaiti border. Some said they wanted to cross into

Signs of hate





Targeting hate

War hits home

Law enforcement agencies work to prevent hate crimes

Roman Gokhman

Campus/City Culture Reporter

Eugene, Springfield and Lane County officials are trying to preempt hate crimes against minorities that could result from the war in Iraq.

At a joint news conference organized by the city and county governments on March 25, various elected officials including the Eugene and Springfield Police Departments, Lane County Sheriff's Office, FBI officials and others announced the community's stance against hate crimes.

Last week, Eugene Mayor Jim Torrey

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Wanted student found dead; possible suicide

Eric Jones was sought for questioning by EPD for the March 1 attack of a University freshman

Jessica Richelderfer

University senior Eric Dylan Jones, 25, was found dead near his parents' home in Salem on March 21 in what has been ruled a suicide. The cause of death was a single gunshot wound to the head, according to police.

Tuesday Friends, emember ric Jones.

Jones, an anthropology major focusing on biological anthropology, was found by his family about 8 a.m. in a field near their house, where Lt. Bill Kohlmeyer of the Salem Police Department said Jones often went to think and be alone. Kohlmeyer said the time of death was uncertain but believed to be either late the previous night or early that morning.

Jones' mother and stepfather did not wish to speak to the press. The family held a service March 24 in Salem.

Jones was wanted for questioning by the Eugene Police Department in the March 1 beating of 19-year-old freshman Devan Long, who sustained multiple facial injuries and underwent surgery to repair damage. EPD had identified Jones as the primary aggressor among several individuals present at the time of

EPD spokeswoman Pam Olshanski confirmed the report of Jones' death and said his case has been dropped.

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Senate candidates focus on surplus allocation

Seven candidates file for Programs Finance Committee Senate Seat No. 1, including an incumbent

UO Senate

Seven students are vying for the position of Senate Seat No. 1 on the ASUO Programs Finance Committee. The PFC decides how to spend approximately \$5 million in student incidental fees, but whoever wins seat No. 1 will also have weekly senate meetings to attend. The Emerald asked each candidate general questions and also asked two specific questions to see what each hopeful knows about government: Who is responsible for maintaining the senate Web site, and what is the most important part of Senate Rules Section 5, which lists senators' duties?

Alyce Chong, the incumbent, is a 21-yearold business major. She grew up in the Portland area. She was the only candidate who knew that the senate vice president is responsible for maintaining the Web site and said one important senate duty is checking mailboxes to see when special requests come in from student groups.

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ASUO hopefuls reveal campus initiative aims

John Drake plans to focus on student voice and diversity; Jeremy L. Jones plans on taking over OSU

ASUO elections

Jennifer Bear

Campus/Federal Politics

Many leadership-oriented students have flocked to the ASUO office this year to run for positions in the University's student government. Although ASUO elections can seem less important to the average student than studying or playing sports, the people who are chosen to lead the ASUO next year every day on the Web

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will be working on issues like the cost of tuition - issues that impact students' lives.

President and vice president are two of the most visible positions within student government, and this year there are six tickets running for ASUO Executive.

John Drake, a junior and psychology major, is running for president with Joe Boyd, a

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Weather: Today: H 57, L 40, scattered showers / Tuesday: H 50, L 38, chance of morning rain | On Tuesday: Portland protesters discuss the advancement of the peace movement