Crime watch

Theft and recoveries

The Department of Public Safety received six bike theft reports from H.P. Barnhart, McKenzie Hall, the EMU, Onyx Bridge, PLC and an off-campus location. DPS also received seven reports of vandalism and one found-property report.

Wednesday, April 2, 1:07 p.m.: DPS received a report of a suspicious subject

with a bag and an unknown object in his hand attempting to break into a vehicle at the Agate Street and East 17 Avenue intersection.

Disorderly conduct

DPS received two dispute reports, one assault report, one graffiti report and one trespassed subject report.

Saturday, April 2, 7:30 a.m.: DPS received a report of a burnt paper posting on the front door of Boynton Hall in Hamilton Complex.

Saturday, April 5, 10:15 p.m.: DPS received a report of subjects breaking glass bottles at Knight Library.

Alcohol and drugs

DPS received six reports of liquor law violations and two reports of drug law violations.

Saturday, April 5, 12:25 a.m.: DPS received a report of an unconscious male student at Bean Complex.

Miscellaneous

DPS received four towing/traffic related reports, three injury reports at the Student Recreation Center and one injury report at McArthur Court.

Thursday, April 3, 10:07 a.m.: DPS received a report of male staff members stuck in an elevator at Oregon Hall.

Saturday, April 5, 5:50 p.m.: DPS received a report of pornographic photos of nude women posted outside a female professor's window in the geography department at Condon Hall.

Football

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Of the two, only Vossmeyer saw action on the field last season. He played in three games, but threw just two passes, completing one for six yards

The failure of Collins to step on the field is due to the fact he redshirted last season after coming over from Zillah High School in Zillah, Wash.

Head coach Mike Bellotti said during the offseason that the two would be moving to linebacker. Collins was asked to move the linebacker by the coaching staff, while Vossmeyer was another situation.

"I didn't really know what to think at first," Collins said. "I'd always wanted to be a quarterback. I guess if it gave me a chance to be on the field earlier, I was all for it."

"I was asked to not play quarterback last year and play fullback," Vossmeyer said. "At which time, I went to (linebackers coach Don) Pellum and asked him if he would give me a shot to play linebacker."

Chances are, both won't have earned a starting spot next season, but could see significant time on the field.

Back to normal

Tuesday marked the first day of full pads for Oregon during spring practice. The Ducks opened the week by wearing helmets only Saturday, then added shoulder pads Monday.

With the ability to hit without great chance of injury, there was significant enthusiasm from Oregon players.

"You look at it as though it's not really realistic," Marques Binns said of practice without full pads. "The real way to play football is hitting, tackling, getting in there and grinding. So now, it's like the real

days for us. The other two days were just preparation."

Binns is a member of the Oregon secondary, a unit that was statistically ranked as one of the worst in Division-I college football last season. It is a also a group that should benefit most from the added padding, in that they can now defend without great worry of injury.

Bellotti is looking for the group to step up its aggressiveness, and also said last week that he expects to get a better read on the team's running backs now.

"One thing, it's going to be exciting," he said. "It's going to be able to cut it loose. We had to hold back being in helmets only because you had to worry about injury, that type of thing.

"We'll contest the passes in the air now, which we have not been doing. It changes for everybody. People will get to the ground. The real key will be for everyone to execute their technique, but now they're protected somewhat, and they can sell out more."

Oregon practices again Thursday before a scheduled scrimmage Saturday, which Bellotti said should last for approximately 60 plays.

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