



Bombings in Morocco kill 41

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CASABLANCA, Morocco — As investigators combed through charred rubble at five bombing sites Saturday, Moroccan and U.S. officials said the attacks that killed at least 41 people may signal a new wave of terror against moderate Arab countries viewed by extremists as traitors to Islam.

"Because Morocco is a tolerant place, an open-minded place, it's exactly what these

guys want to kill and finish within the Arab world," said Andre Azoulay, an adviser to Morocco's King Mohammed VI. "While the majority, if not all, of the suspects are believed to be Moroccan, our feeling is this is part of the international terror and terrorism movement the world is facing."

No group has yet claimed responsibility for the attacks, but the scope and near simultaneous detonations at multiple locations are a hallmark of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida net-

work, U.S. officials said.

"There is strong suspicion that it was either sponsored or directed by al-Qaida," said a U.S. counter intelligence official who spoke on condition of anonymity. "Morocco is a strong supporter of the U.S. in the fight against terrorism," he said. And some of the locations targeted suggest the attacks sought to send a message to U.S. allies Spain and Israel.

At least 10 suicide bombers carried out
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Lou Gold to discuss Siskiyou activism

The direct action veteran will visit the University tonight as part of an event depicting the ecology of the Siskiyou Mountain Range

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Twenty years ago, four people linked arms in front of a bulldozer on Bald Mountain in the Siskiyou wilderness area and changed the future of the Northwest environmental movement. This instance of direct action announced to the world that some individuals were ready and willing to place the health of the forest before their own well-being.

The University Survival Center will sponsor a multimedia event tonight depicting the ecology of the Siskiyou Mountain Range and the history of direct action in the area. Lou Gold, the founder of the Siskiyou Project — an organization working to protect the Siskiyou Mountains from logging and mining — will tell the story of the Siskiyou at the event.

Gold was on Bald Mountain in the 1980s, demanding the forest be left alone. Today, he continues to work for the protection of the Siskiyou and has become one of the most prominent ecological advocates and storytellers on the West Coast.

"At one time, the Siskiyou covered the West Coast from Oregon to the southern border of California," Gold said. "This is a fragment of what was once a gigantic expanse of wild land. There is so much diversity here, it is literally like protecting Noah's Ark."

The Siskiyou, located in Southwest Oregon, is the largest connected area of unprotected wild land remaining on the Pacific Coast of the United States. It is home to thousands of species of flora and fauna and "has been identified by scientists as one of the most important ecosystems on the planet," according to organizers at the Siskiyou Project.

According to Gold, the Siskiyou is being threatened more this year than ever in the past. The wildfires of last summer, including the Biscuit Fire that began just miles from Bald Mountain, fed people's fear of nature and opened the door for the Bush administration's Healthy Forest

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Graduation: case closed

Students of the University's School of Law celebrated graduation this Sunday as speakers urged them to set positive goals for the future

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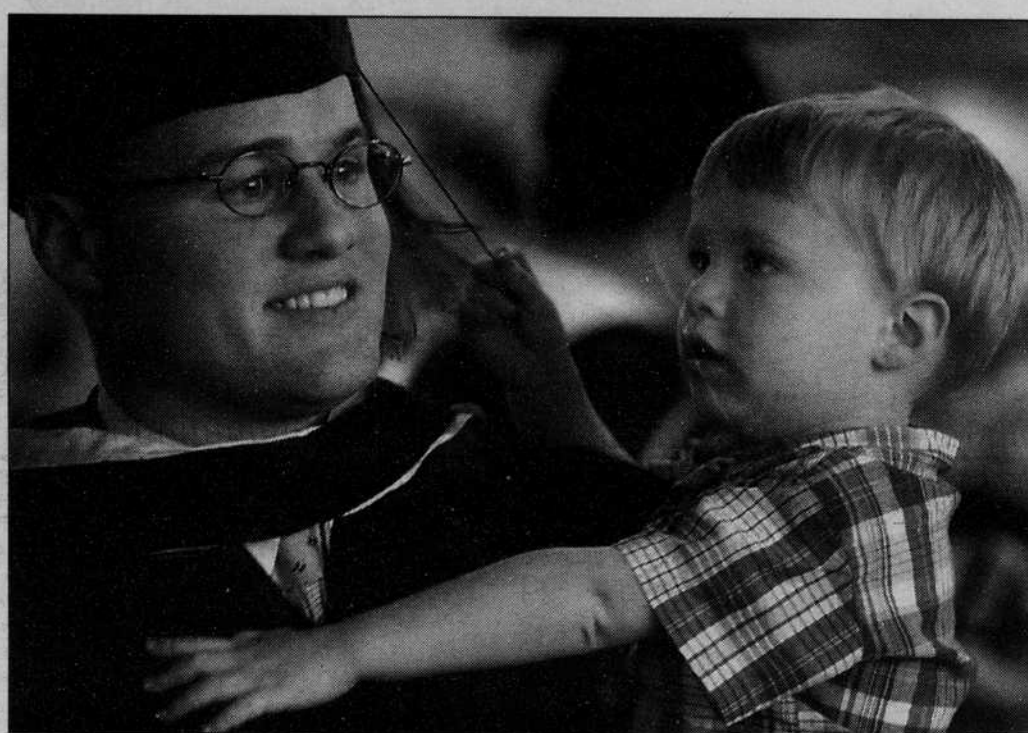
After three years of hard work, 160 students joined the world's ranks of lawyers Sunday at the University School of Law commencement. An air of anticipation and excitement reverberated through the Hult Center's Silva Hall as hundreds of friends and family members celebrated the graduates' transition into the legal world. Some graduates could barely control their glee, while others seemed more pensive, perhaps reflecting on the possibilities of their new life outside the University.

Law School Dean Laird Kirkpatrick said the graduates had reached an important milestone in their lives. Comparing the graduation to his own, he also said the law school had made great advances. While in 1968, there was only one female graduate, almost half of the graduates this year are women. In addition, there were 22 minority students in the class of 2003.

"I urge you never to underestimate what you can do as a lawyer," Kirkpatrick said. He added it was because of the work of previous generations of lawyers that progress had been made in areas like the civil rights movement and in business law.

"The opportunities that lie ahead of you are numerous and varied," he said. "Don't let anyone set your goals for you. It's your life."

Acclaimed lawyer David Boies, whom Kirkpatrick described as



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University graduate Derek Anderson is greeted by his two-year-old son Bradley after the 2003 commencement for the University of Oregon School of Law on Sunday (above). Conrad Zubel is the last graduate to receive his diploma in Sunday's ceremony, held at the Hult Center (below).

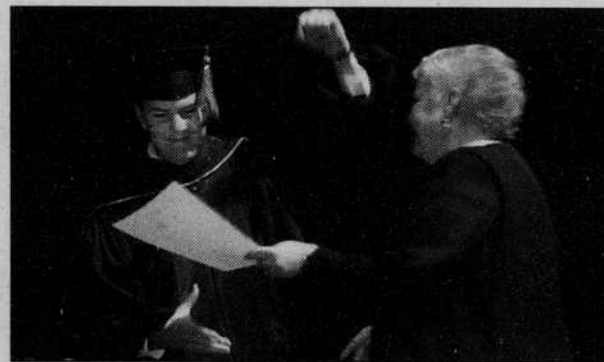
"the Michael Jordan of the courtroom," was the commencement speaker. Boies represented former vice president Al Gore in the 2000 election scandal.

Boies also reminded the graduates of the importance of the career they have chosen.

"One of the things that distinguishes this society from many others is the rule of law," Boies said.

He asked them to respect the

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The Sugar Beets performed after the Kathak Indian Dancers on the main stage on Saturday.

Folk fest brings country, punk rock together despite weather

The annual festival abandoned its folk roots to provide a cornucopia of music throughout varying weather conditions

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The "folk" in the 33rd annual Willamette Valley Folk Festival, might as well translate to "a little something for everyone." Over the span of three days, punk bands, country bands, rock bands, street performers, old-timey bands, bands that defy categorization — and yes, folk bands — performed on campus.

Festival producer Amy Bowers said she was as-

tounded by some of the performances — including a punk-rock set with The Pass Out Kings and The Ovulators — and said music cultivates diversity.

"The goal was to open up an understanding and awareness — to expose people to things they wouldn't have seen otherwise," she said.

Weather was a factor affecting attendance throughout the three days. Naturally, festival attendance reflected the condition of the sky. The weekend was a whirlwind of weather conditions, from beautifully sunny to torrentially rainy.

"We had schizophrenic weather," Bowers said.

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