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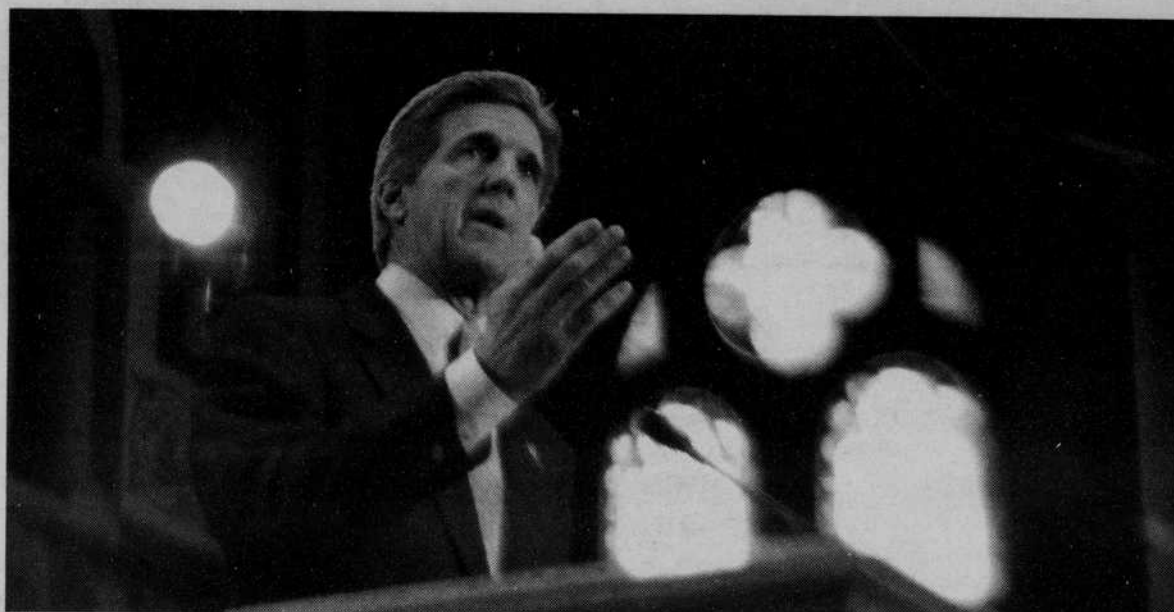
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Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., addresses a crowd at Georgetown University, in Washington, D.C., on April 7, 2004.

KERRY

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economic policy that's seen us lose three million jobs, which is the greatest job loss in the history of the country since Herbert Hoover was president," Kerry said. "I think it's a pretty stark choice and we want students to begin to recognize their power in helping to decide the outcome of this election and have an impact on their own lives."

Kerry criticized Bush for not helping states with their budget problems, proposing a \$25 billion aid package

to states as well.

Kerry also addressed concerns about a new military draft, saying he would not support it.

"(Increasing military forces) will be done by having a more sensible foreign policy where young people don't feel as if their leadership is making irresponsible decisions based on their presence in the military," he said. "If we have a more reasonable approach to our relationship with the rest of the world, I don't think you'll have any problem at all fulfilling ... those positions."

Kerry suggested a new program to provide young people who do not serve in the military with an option to commit two years to local community service in exchange for four years of college tuition.

Kerry said his other priorities include the future availability of Social Security, affordable health care, creating new jobs and developing renewable energy.

He also wants young voters to become more actively involved in the political system.

"Young people have this enormous power and they really have to understand it and embrace it and go out and use it," Kerry said. "What we need to do is make some of the issues that matter to people voting issues again."

The session was the latest part of Kerry's Change Starts with U Campus

Tour 2004, a series of trips to university campuses to meet with students.

Sophomore Jonathon Hogate, treasurer of the University College Republicans, said Kerry often tries to damage Bush's reputation while advocating costly programs.

"It appears that he wants to do a lot of financial things," Hogate said. "However, he seems to be kind of backing himself into a corner saying he doesn't plan on raising taxes dramatically. How does he plan on creating a \$25 billion dollar aid package to the states if he doesn't plan on raising taxes significantly?"

Hogate said he also opposes Kerry's service program.

"I think that the country will be putting more money into it than it will be benefiting the country as a whole," Hogate said. "Therefore, I think it will be draining funds from a country that's already running in a deficit."

Senior Kevin Curtin, chairman of the University College Democrats, said he is generally pleased with Kerry's campaign priorities.

"I'm glad that it seems like now he's making higher education a big issue," Curtin said. "I hope that higher education doesn't get put on the back burner."

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before about 100 LCC students.

He told them that 20,000 men have lost their lives needlessly since Nixon took office and they applaud. He told them that 300 millionaires paid no taxes last year and they share his silent frown.

But Kerry's real message was, "We must get out and canvass for George McGovern if we want to reclaim our country." This message was not as passively accepted by the audience, a group geared to take to the streets.

A man in the back shouted his support for the "revolution of today." Kerry let the man spit out may excited accusations, then patiently painted him into a corner. Suddenly the student said, "All right. I'll cut my hair and knock on doors for your man."

If the campaign meeting had been more slickly organized, one would strongly suspect the back-of-the-crowd heckler of being a plant. But with the informal disorder of the gathering, the conversion was written off as just one more odd occurrence during a week full of such happenings.

After leaving LCC, Kerry headed on to the University for yet another speech in the seemingly endless parade of them. When he finished, the remainder of this day was given to such things as taping an interview for a radio station in Klamath Falls and lecturing local McGovern campaigners on the techniques of canvassing.

But for a handsome young Yale graduate seeking to get ahead in the often mad race of electoral politics, such tasks are necessary. Every tomorrow brings a new state of the same.

Wednesday

Student Travel Fund Presentation featuring graduate student Jessica Engeman about her experiences attending the Real Estate Development Institute seminar, 206 Lawrence, noon-1 p.m.

Officers of Administration Council, Umpqua Room, EMU, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

University Senate meeting, 182 Lillis, 3-5 p.m.

Literary historian Paul Collins reads from and signs copies of his book, "Not Even Wrong: Adventures in Autism," UO Bookstore, 7 p.m.

Lowenberg Family Lecture featuring a talk by Michael Berenbaum from the University of Judaism, entitled "Holocaust Memory: The Place of the Holocaust in Jewish Memory and in American Public Life," Browning Room, Knight Library, 7:30-9 p.m.

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