## Cohabitation...

(continued from page 3) the spontaneity of living together. "You can't always be thinking of future consequences when you do something. It makes the relationship more of a logical, theoretical process than a bond. If you received any insight towards that bond, splitting possessions down the middle should come easy." One student offered, "If you

One student offered, "If you are not willing to marry, you are really at the mercy of your partner, and visa versa. If one has the right to walk out whenever he or she is tired of the relationship, then how can you possibly have any rights as far as money goes?"

Another student said the law makes marriage less important: "Why get married if you can still have their money, when you are not married? It really makes marriage less important. It would really be hard to divide up the purchases. If you were married you would have a lawyer to help, but when you are not, it is a difficult situation."

Two students made more general statements. "All sin will have its rewards. You can't hide from God's standards and rules," said one. Another said the right to sue takes away the entire advantage of living together. One 18-year-old man, on the other hand, said, "Unless a legal document was made out, the women don't have a right to anything. If they want something, they should get it. If they worry about who keeps it, they really shouldn't get together in the first place." Another man, along the same lines, said, "Why should she get what I worked for? Let her go out and work."

One woman said the right to sue for property should be reserved for married couples. "Just because two people reside under the same roof doesn't mean they have a right to each other's finances and other personal belongings. This should be saved for two married individuals with a binding contract."

One man said the law is not appropriate because the couple is not recognized as married by the state. Another thought that while the monetary value of one partner may be greater, the true intangibles of the other may have balanced out the relationship and its duties. One 25-year-old female College student said simply, "I don't see how one person could be held responsible for supporting the other. If they want this kind of security, they should get married." Another added, "Living together involves a no-strings arrangement and each individual should be responsible for his or her own financial status. If you are going to get into a suit situation, you deserve only what you get."

## New flu Hiking strikes College

## By Don Ives Of The Print

It's spreading across the campus. Reaching almost epidemic proportions, it hits with particular force on sunny days. It even causes class cancellations for lack of attendance.

Although there is no practical cure for spring fever aside from letting it run its course, an afternoon or weekend of hiking may provide good temporary relief. A hike comes second only to studying as preventative treatment for a case of the dreaded "finalsweek-itis" which students are especially vulnerable to during spring term. A meditative hike is better than an ice pack for cooling a fried mind.

There are many styles of hiking, but certain rules must be followed if the above results are to be attained. Leave your problems when you leave the car. Trigonometry and hiking do not mix. A sure way to ruin a hike is to bring piles of homework along. If you've never been able to "get into" a hike, it may be because you don't "get into" the environment enough.

Check out that plant. Get a closer look. Smell it. Touch it (with the exception of poison oak). Keep an eye out for birds and signs of wildlife. Take the time to really listen to a creek or waterfall. If it looks safe, hop in (leave your camera and hiking boots on the shore).

It is important (especially for baseball and track majors) to remember that hiking is not a competitive sport. Trail runs are fun, but runners and hikers should not attempt to hike as a group. The compromise that usually results is a half-walk, half-run, military-style gait that leaves some waiting and others breathlessly trying to keep up. Hiking has a calming effect

Hiking has a calming effect on the body, while most other sports tend to have just the opposite. Hiking is a good way to "wind down" after an especially hard week of work or studies. Here are some short hikes recommended as Take Clackamas River Road (Oregon Highway 224), east of Estacada, for 26 miles to a junction just beyond Ripplebrook Campground. Keep right on Oregon 224 and, after several yards, pass a sign indicating the mileage to Bagby Hot Springs. Follow the signs and you can't miss it.

With an elevation gain of



adequate treatment for a mild case of spring fever. If symptoms persist, consult your library where several good trail books can be found. ("70 Hiking Trails" by Don and Roberta Lowe, is a good one.)

Bagby Hot Springs is a short (1½ mile, one way), well traveled hike with lots of nice scenery and very little gain in elevation. The bath house provides a good place to soak and relax in hot springwater if you care to do so. There are also restroom facilities along the way, making the trail more suitable for civilized hikers. some 850 feet, Castle Canvon is a shorter, but more strenuous, hike than Bagby The nine-tenths mile distance is somewhat deceiving. Even so, Castle Canyon is an excellent hike. The view along the trail is breathtaking. One word of ad-vice: don't climb the rocks if you are afraid of high places It's a long way down. Drive 18 miles east of Sandy on US 26 to Lolo Pass Road at the com munity of Zigzag, turn north (left) and drive four-tenths mile to a road on your right which may or may not have a sign identifying it as road "19". Turn right, keep right at a fork after two-tenths mile and con-tinue 1.4 miles to a sign on your left stating Castle Canyon Trail.

For the rhododendron lover, the Flag Mountain hike is a must. These plants will be blooming all along the trail through late June. The Flag Mountain trail is 2.1 miles long and not too strenuous if taken at an easy pace. There are several nice views along the way. Drive on US 26 to the east end of Rhododendron and turn south on 20 Road, also known as Vine Maple Road. After one-tenth mile you will cross a bridge over the Zigzag River and continue to a sign marking road 20 E on your left. Turn left and you will see a sign identifying the beginning of the Flag Mountain trail. Happy Hiking!

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## Special tourney for handicapped

The Handicapped Speech tournament was held at the College last weekend for handicapped high school students in the Tri-County Area.

Winners in the orthopedicimpaired division were Paul Danzer, Portland, first place, and Heidi Peterson, Beaverton, second. This was the second year in a row that Danzer has won the competition.

In the vision-impaired section, first place went to Rhett Wyatt, Gresham. Susan Peterson of Portland took second.

David Bond, Portland, took first place in the hearing impaired division. Kim McCreary of Portland came in second and Rozanna M. Prater of Portland took third place honors.



