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Association and Commissions (CCOSAC) and the Oregon Educational Coordinating Committee (OECC). Prouty is Delaney forsees CCOSAC's Oregon student more tough times

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Last November, Peter Delaney, economics instructor at the College, made a few predictions about the future of predictions about the future of the economy in the United States and Oregon. Most of his 'crystal ball' predictions have run true; the unemployment rate has hit an estimated 11.2 percent compared to the 12 percent Delaney expected, and there still aren't any 'bright signs' to show an improving economy

Since the economy can change, sometimes drastically, vithin any three month period Delaney had a few more com-ments to make.

"The unemployment rate seemed to drop from 8.9 perseemed to drop from 5.9 per-cent to 8.5 percent nationally, which should be good news, but you can't make a judge-ment based on that," he said. "Those figures don't show a rise in employment. They are a sign of discouraged workers; cople who aren't trying to find

people who aren't trying to find jobs anymore because there are no jobs to be found." Inflation dropped con-siderably last year--from 12 percent in 1980 to 9 percent in 1981. Delaney attributed this to good crops, the recession, and a fall in the prices of oil and petroleum. petroleum

He added, "Some people predict an upturn in spring or fall, but I think it may be temporary. If the interest rates re-main high, it won't last,"

"I don't think the big cuts of the 1983 budget will actually go through," Delaney com-mented. "The plan is to cut social programs greatly and ex-pand the defense budget. I just don't think they can pass cuts that severe.

The recent withdrawal of lumber harvesting in the 'red zone' surrounding Mt. St. Helens has caused speculation on negative effect to the Northwest economy. However, Delaney feels there will be little change with or without the additional supply of lumber. "Oregon is dependent on

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the lumber industry, but the lumber supply isn't the pro-blem. Without demand, an increased supply means nothing. There have been a few mills reopened, but just as many have closed," Delaney explained. The future seems uncertain now, but not much will change now, but not much will change until interest rates go down and stay down. For the present, there is very little to do, he said. "I am very pessimistic. I'd say the earliest we might see a lasting change would be fall," Delaney said, "There just aren't any height signer." any bright signs

lobbyist. Prouty spent nearly all of the first two weeks of the ses-sion in Salem and Edwards has spent as much as four days a week there. And the personal cost?

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has in store.

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As the special session of

the state congress lumbers into it's fourth week, the 13 com-

munity colleges of Oregon are anxiously watching to see what

budget cuts, if any, the future

munity College students are doing more than watching, however. Karen Prouty and

Dick Edwards have been lobby-ing in Salem on behalf of the colleges throughout most of

January. Edwards is the liaison

between the Community Col-

of Oregon Student

Two Clackamas Com-

"Well, let's say I'm wor-ried," Edwards said, referring to his class attendance, "I have to talk to my professors and see if we can arrange something." Edwards is in his last year

at the College. From here, he will go on to either a career in law or law enforcement. Prouty is also having trou-

ble keeping a pace with her "I haven't attended classes

Speech team places fourth at Willamette

The College's speech team travelled to Willamette University last weekend to take first among community col-leges and fourth overall in the Willamette University Invitational

Speech Coach Frank Harlow is proud of how well his grammerians did. "When grammerians did. "When they're only three community colleges competing, things are going to be darn tough," said Harlow

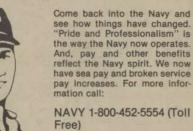
Pulling through for the silver tongued Cougars against the 13 other colleges were; Teresa Svatos who hailed first novice expository, and in

novice oratory; while Mike Doane took first in novice poetry; as Ed Coyne and Scott Van Cleave teamed up for the second place title in novice debate; and Linda Perkins was

a finalist in open oratory. Tomorrow College representatives Kari Nelson, Carolyn Ellenbrock, Karen Prouty and Lori Bevington will travel to Western Washington University in Bellingham for a

University in Beiningham for a three-day competition. Harlow said "California teams will be there, and that means a lot of out-of-work ac-tors will be competing." Harlow

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to lobby for state colleges

Prouty, Edwards risk all

many of my science or accoun-ting classes this term," she said. Unlike Edwards, Prouty has no definite plans for the future. "This is probably my last year here, then I'll transfer to the University of Oregon, if I can keep my financial aid, that

Prouty is currently taking 12 credit hours, the minimum needed for financial aid. If her current lobbying efforts result in failed classes, her aid may be revoked, and her stay at the College prolonged a year.

When asked why she is jeopardizing her classes, just to lobby, Prouty said, "I feel for this school. It's done a lot for me. I don't think I'm any more concerned than the next student; I just have the opportunity to help.

There are educational benefits to the hours of work. Edwards feels. "If anyone really wanted to learn something, on-the-job training is the way I'm learning so much," he said

Another benefit is the opportunity to meet and work with some of Oregon's most in-fluential people. Thanks to the lobbying effort, Edwards now has a part-time, volunteer job working for Senator Ted Ted working for Kulongowski.

"Dick and Karen have done tremendous work," Associated Student Govern-ment President Sam Crosby said, "We couldn't ask for better representation. I commend the job they're doing. Unfor-tunately, the legislature isn't doing their job as well."





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