

works and how it affects our taxes can be found on page 38 in the City's Voters' Pamphlet.

Lora Byxbe
Eugene

A DECENT PACKAGE

Waiting, waiting, I am sitting here ready to negotiate a new contract with the management of Safeway, Fred Meyer and Albertsons. This is the 17th meeting with the employers.

Members of UFCW Local 555 are only asking for a decent health and welfare package, a decent wage package and other minor benefit changes. So far management has asked for 48 take-aways from our current contract and as of July until now they have not given us their economic package or even talked about economics.

This has been going on since February with no new contract. Yet we are still out working hard for our employers and the community. Management continues to try to take away what we already have.

Wages and benefits have been stagnant for more than three years. We are only asking for a small piece of the pie from management. Cost of living has gone up, health care has gone up, but our wages have not! All these corporations are making record profits and CEOs are making record salaries, but where is our piece of the pie?

We only want what is fair to pay our bills and raise our families. Where is our piece of the pie?

Mac McDonald
Junction City

tirement.

Their schemes might have worked in the late '90s but the rise of the Internet means data on these good old boys' "visions" travels more quickly, making it easier to hold them accountable. The tired and outdated Frohnmayer, now more than ever, is banking on people and media to "Just Do It" and buy into sports hype instead of stopping to consider any details or any of the UO's past actions or planned future demolitions.

Zachary Vishanoff
Eugene

GET SERIOUS

Hardly a day goes by without media mention of the crisis of global warming and the dire predictions of catastrophe, yet few of us are willing to make the changes in our personal life that might make the difference.

My own meager attempt to create awareness of the unwarranted waste of energy is in the chilly temperatures of public places. Markets, restaurants, theaters and concert halls have put their thermostat in the 60-degree range! Many times during the past summer I have spoken to managers of these establishments about raising thermostats to a comfortable level. Many managers, especially the young people, who are often in charge of these establishments, tell me that the thermostats can't be changed. Fortunately, there are some wonderful restaurants, usually locally owned mom-and-pop places, which are more aware of costs and therefore keep temperatures at a comfortable level.

One of the best kept secrets of Eugene/Springfield is that buses to a dozen destinations run until late evening, making it possible to travel comfortably and safely to many arts, movies, concerts, etc. With the air in downtown Eugene becoming more unhealthy, perhaps folks will consider the bus as a convenient and conscious attempt to alleviate pollution.

I hope that we can make it possible to reduce our carbon footprint on this beautiful part of the world and get serious about making personal commitments.

Phyllis Kesner
Eugene

WELCOME TO YOU OWE

Frohnmayer and UO Housing Director Mike Eyster would have us believe that elected lawmakers in Salem are to blame for the insidious and infamous dorms and approximately \$150 million of deferred maintenance that has accumulated on campus. The current eroded campus is a result of years of their mismanagement. Instead of letting these two people finish their personal strategic missions to transform and significantly expand the UO into a sprawling private research facility, it's time forcibly to send them into re-



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