

FOUL FETISH COVER

Regarding your Oct. 8 cover: Like John Lennon, "I am not the only one." Abdication of responsibility by the Fourth Estate is so commonplace these days, I suppose I shouldn't be surprised. Yet I am, as must be most of your advertisers, completely blindsided.

You have spent a generation building a reputation of responsible journalism in our community, only to destroy it in one day. "Only one cover," you might say? A group you have rightly called to task, the Eugene police, have abused hundreds of people under cover of privilege, but you, may your ancestors be merciful, have abused tens of thousands of children, pre-teens and teens by printing on the large cover of your paper that it is OK to tie women down and beat them! And under cover of privileges in the press! Are you that dull? Do you not realize the responsibility you have to our community?

For sure, the activity you depict may be healthy for some adults — adults who are able to make the discernment about such activity. And *maybe* even depicted in an article in your paper; shaky policy at best. But you didn't give our daughters and sons that choice, did you? You decided to adulterate their childhood ad lib! Now, every child passing by your free box gets to make another difficult adult choice about sexuality, abuse, fairness, simple right and wrong, way before they should have to. You were supposed to be the adults here.

Everyone on your masthead who signed off on this cover should leave their jobs; they have clearly been on them too long. Take the last paycheck and get some professional counseling.

Daniel M. Hardt
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SHORT-SIGHTED

Our nation must create its own sustainable industry and not rely on foreign investors to open green factories on our shores. In "Solar Jobs See Cloudy Forecast" (News Briefs, 10/1), I am disappointed to see the creation of short-term jobs for people in Eugene at the Hynix plant. Our

country needs high quality, long-term jobs provided by American companies who will invest in the future of our communities. Green industries that produce solar panels, wind turbines and energy-efficient products for our homes and businesses would boost our economy and address environmental issues simultaneously.

The Senate must vote for strong investments in clean energy and energy efficiency in order to create jobs in Oregon and save local businesses and households millions of dollars in energy costs. A company like Hynix will not provide long-term solutions for our communities and will not benefit the local economy. The U.S. can rebuild our struggling economy and create good-paying jobs that can't be outsourced if we wisely invest in American companies.

Laura Schmidt
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WAKE-UP CALLS

The great fall weather contrasts with some recent news that could be viewed as local wake-up calls. A homeless African-American man is set on fire downtown. A pesticide protestor spraying water is blamed for being Tasered by police. The new owner of the former Westmoreland apartments says he is doubling his investment selling them off as condos. Unfortunately that's the legacy of the former UO (Nike) administration. They stole and sold the huge former student housing complex off for \$18 million to quick-start the most expensive college basketball arena in U.S. history. Too bad so many nontraditional and international students and their families needed that housing to afford school.

Even the *EW* movie review (10/8) of the new Michael Moore film is dead wrong. *Capitalism: A Love Story* is actually Moore's best to date, a five-star must-see, ideally by everyone who cares about this country so desperately in need of direct action and those who speak truth to power. Otherwise silence (apathy) is complicity.

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