



June Fleming prepares to escape into the woods.

Outdoor hobby brings freedom

May 31 is June Fleming's five-year independence day and she's going to have a party.

"If I'd known about inflation I may never have left the security of a paycheck," says the 46-year-old former social worker. "But five years ago my first book was on its feet and I figured I could live for a year (without a regular job)."

Today, with her fourth book pending release from Random House, Fleming is gearing herself for an active summer teaching and leading backpacking tours to various parts of the state.

Fleming will teach a four-week backpacking class through Portland Community College Community Services beginning June 23. Class includes four evening sessions at the Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killingsworth, plus an overnight trip. In addition she will lead Portland Parks Bureau-sponsored backpacking trips to the Steens Mountain area in southeastern Oregon and Olympic National Park in Washington this

summer.

The Portland author-teacher began backpacking as a hobby 17 years ago, when her youngest child was three. "I liked it immediately," she says of her first outdoor trek. "I learned by trial and error."

It was through teaching at PCC that Fleming started her writing career. When she taught her first class in 1974 she drew upon her nine years of personal experience. "I covered what I wish someone had told me," she says.

Two friends taking the class started Victoria House and published Fleming's first book, "The Well Fed Backpacker," in 1976. In 1981, "The Well Fed Backpacker" came out in a Random House edition.

"The Outdoor Idea Book" and "Games (And More!) for Backpackers" were subsequently published by Victoria House. "Staying Found: The Complete Map & Compass Handbook" is being published this May by Random House.

Despite her obvious expertise,

Fleming says all her classes are "moderate." "They're geared to getting friendly with an area," she says, adding that people who have never backpacked can participate comfortably. "The course is meant to convey all the basic skills one needs to know to backpack safely and comfortably."

Fleming encourages her students to make, scrounge or recycle rather than purchase expensive equipment when taking her class. She wants them to be sure they like the sport before choosing the necessary permanent gear.

"I want to entice students to further learning beyond the scope of the scope of the course—I want them to see the possibilities, for example, with map and compass work. And, of course, I'm always trying to get people interested in taking my winter class. (Fleming teaches Snow Camping at PCC during winter term.) Basic skills can extend the backpacking season to 12 months!"



HALIM RAHSAAN

Rahsaan promoted

Halim Rahsaan has been selected as the employment specialist for the Personnel Division for Portland Community College. Rahsaan, age 38, has been employed by P.C.C. for the past 7½ years and will assume his new job responsibilities July 1st. Since December he has been working out of the personnel division one day a week in addition to regular duties, career educational specialist in the Career Research Department. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Sociology from Portland State University and received a graduate certificate from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois, 1974 for technical analysis in job evaluation.

Rahsaan is a native Oregonian, who becomes only the second black to hold a position in personnel for P.C.C. since the college was founded in the early sixties. The first black to be employed in personnel for P.C.C. was Jim Boozer, who left after ten years of service three years ago. Rahsaan's personal experience started in 1973 when he and Bob Boozer, Jim's brother, became the first blacks to become employed by the State of Oregon, Executive Department, Personnel Division, as Affirmative Action Officers. From the Personnel Division Rahsaan moved on to the State of Oregon Commission for the Blind where he again became the first black ever to work for the Blind Commission as a vocational development analyst. He worked for Multnomah County for five years as a treatment coordinator at Edgefield Lodge, located in Troutdale, Oregon.

His current civic activities consist of chairman of the Economic Committee for the Black United Front, co-chairman of the newly formed Community Congress, State Council Representative of Albina Fair Share and the vice-chairman for Portland Public School's Desegregation Monitoring Advisory Committee representing the B.U.F. He also is an active member of the Jubilee Choir at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church. Rahsaan and his wife Fran have three children, Tonja, a third grader at Irvington, Khaleelah, age 5, and a son Karim, age 3.

PEOPLE WHO DON'T ATTEND BUS SCHOOL MAY HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING ANYWHERE.

A good education, it is said, will help a person go far in life.

How very true. Particularly when that person chooses to go by bus in Portland, after September 5th.

Because as of that date, the way to ride Tri-Met will change considerably. For the better.

But it will take a little re-learning by our riders.

SELF-SERVICE MEANS QUICKER SERVICE.

The most important single improvement coming September 5th is called Self-Service. Basically, it means riders no longer deal with the driver when boarding the bus. Unless paying cash.

We'll explain more in a moment, but first consider all the advantages: Quicker boarding and exiting of the bus, passholders no longer have to dig their pass out to show the driver, ticket book holders no longer have to tear off a ticket for the farebox and, in many cases, people will be able to board at the rear doors! Now for some details.

EVERY BUS WILL HAVE TWO NEW PIECES OF SPEED EQUIPMENT.

The secret is two orange electric boxes you'll see on each bus.

The first box is a ticket dispenser for cash fare riders. After you've deposited the exact change into the farebox and the driver pushes a button, the dispenser prints out a ticket.

The other new box is called a validator. It's for use with our new Ten-Ride Tickets that will replace the cumbersome ticket booklet. Passengers board the bus, insert their Ten-Ride Ticket into the validator and zap, bam, it gets punched and

imprinted with date, time, and zone.

There will be a validator inside all doors on the articulated buses so those with Ten-Ride Tickets (or passes) can board any door.

How does the driver know if everyone has paid the correct fare? He doesn't. That's where our new Fare Inspectors come in; at random, on every bus. For those who are trying to get away without paying, it could be rather embarrassing. (And expensive, because surcharge fares are \$20.)

THE FASTEST BOARDING BUSES IN AMERICA.

Self-service has been saving people time and money for decades. In depart-

ment stores, gas stations, laundromats. And throughout Europe, it's proven itself on transit systems for nearly 15 years.

But this will be the first time self-service has ever been used on buses in North America. Another first for Oregon.

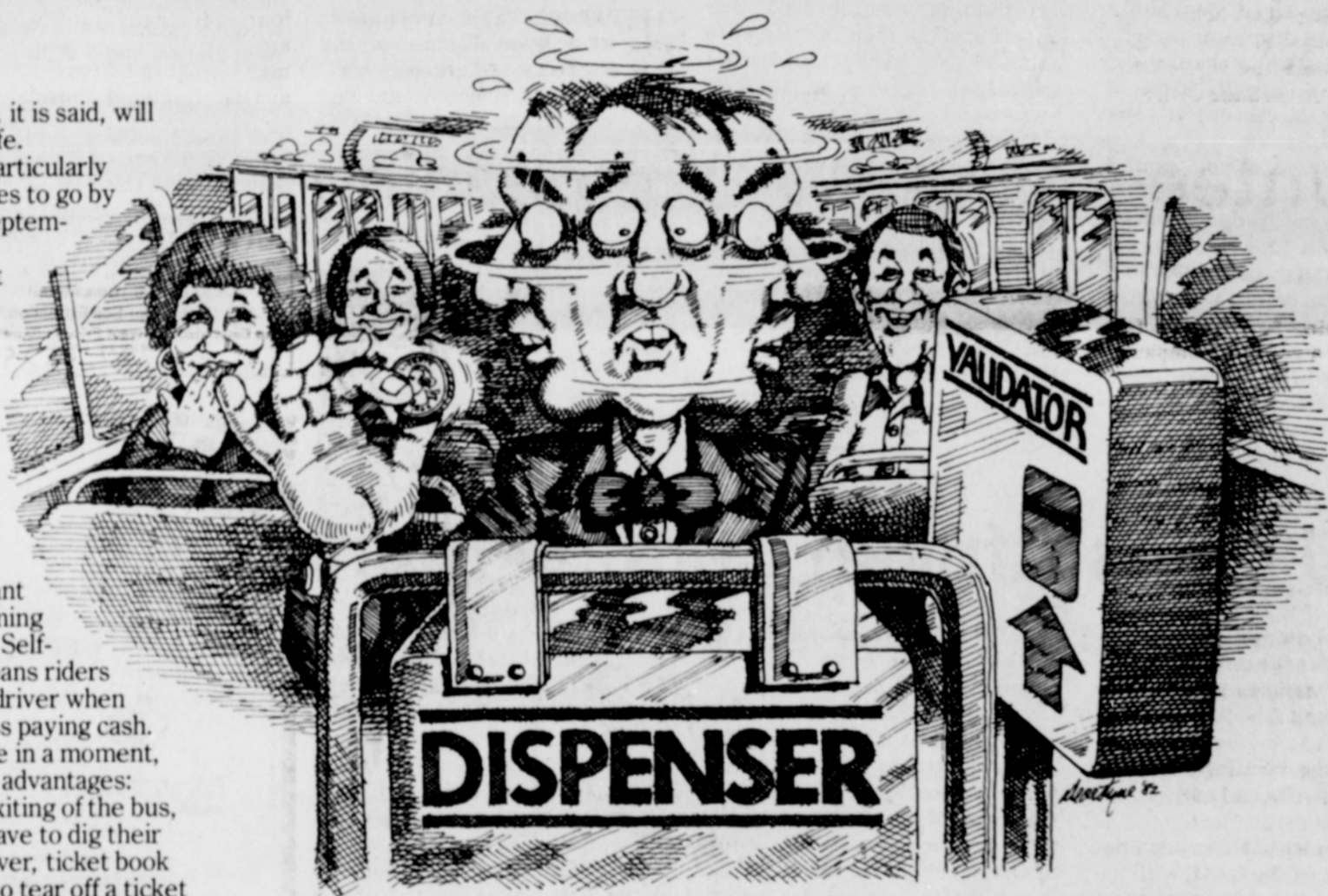
More importantly, another improvement for you. And, since self-service should help us operate more efficiently and save money, it should also help us keep future fare increases to a minimum.

YOU'RE GONNA LIKE WHAT YOU LEARN.

There's a lot more to Self-Service than there is room to explain here. Not to mention the new zones, handy tickets, direct Eastside routes, etc.

Which is why we've created Bus School. Three special yellow Tri-Met buses that are parked throughout the Portland area and can give you a complete education on the many improvements coming September 5th.

Check the schedule and plan on attending. All it will cost you is about ten minutes. A small price to pay for a good education these days.



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TUESDAY, APRIL 27-MAY 1 1. Fred Meyer—Beaverton 2. Lloyd Center	TUESDAY, JUNE 1-JUNE 5 1. Fred Meyer—Hollywood 2. Tanasbourne Mall	TUESDAY, JULY 6-JULY 10 1. Fred Meyer—Oak Grove 2. Jantzen Beach Mall
TUESDAY, MAY 4-MAY 8 1. Fred Meyer—Tigard 2. Jantzen Beach Mall	TUESDAY, JUNE 8-JUNE 12 1. Fred Meyer—Tualatin 2. Rose Festival	TUESDAY, JULY 13-JULY 17 1. Fred Meyer—Interstate 2. Tanasbourne Mall
TUESDAY, MAY 11-MAY 15 1. Fred Meyer—Gresham 2. Clackamas Town Center	TUESDAY, JUNE 15-JUNE 19 1. Fred Meyer—Gisan 2. Washington Square	TUESDAY, JULY 20-JULY 24 1. Fred Meyer—Gresham 2. Washington Square
TUESDAY, MAY 18-MAY 22 1. Nat'l. Trans. Week—Swan Island *2. Pioneer Square	TUESDAY, JUNE 22-JUNE 26 1. Fred Meyer—Raleigh Hills 2. Lloyd Center	TUESDAY, JULY 27-JULY 31 1. Fred Meyer—Gisan 2. Beaverton Mall
TUESDAY, MAY 25-MAY 29 1. Fred Meyer—Stadium 2. Oregon City Shopping Ctr.	TUESDAY, JUNE 29-JULY 3 1. F. Meyer—39th & Hawthorne 2. Clackamas Town Center	<small>*Pioneer Square scheduled 11 am-6:30 pm Tues.-Sat. All other locations 12 noon-7:30 pm Tues.-Sat.</small>



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