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## THE <br> REILEN <br> Election Under Microscope The University of Oregon has won a National Science Foundation grant to conduct a voter survey to learn when and how people vote in Oregon's experimental mailpeople vote in Oregon's experimental mail in election to fill Bob Packwood's empty Senate seat. There's a great deal of interest in the election by those who think mail balloting changes candidate elections. Feeds 300 The first holiday dinner was served at the Salvation Army's the Salvation Army's Moore Street Com munity Center in inner north Portland. The Christmas Day feast included baked chicken, stuffing and pies to feed 300 seniors, <br> Audit Finds Potential Savings Oregon could save $\$ 4$ million with bet fleet, according to an audit by Secretary o State Phil Keisling The State Phil Keisling. The report finds many state vehicles are kept too long, resulting in state vehicles are kept too long, resulting in higher maintenance costs and lower resale value. Other vehicles are underused and not needed.

## Newt Seen

## As Extreme; Scary

 A recent Time/CNN poll show. that 63percent of Americans view House Speaker Newt Gingrich as too extreme, 49 percen find him scary and 49 percent say he is insensitive to the needs of the poo

Clock Shows Crime Frequency To understand the impact of crime on
our lives, Oregon officials have published our lives, Oregon officials have published a crime clock that shows one crime is committed against persons in the state ev2.5 days, a rape every 6.5 hours, a simple assault every 17.2 minutes and a robbery every 2.1 hours

## Kaiser Helps

Ministerial Alliance
Kial Alliance $\$ 5,000$ to promote afford able, quality child care in north and northeast Portland. The alliance serves over
7,000 children and families in the area 7,000 children and families in the area
each year with child care services, youth each year with child care services, youth
employment, academic support and other employm
services.

City Workers Help Kids Nearly 300 children had a brighter hol iday season, thanks to the generosity o
city employees and members of the public who participated in City Hall's first gift giving promotion. "This campaign as bee an overwhelming success and a great example of the true spirit of Portland," said Mayor Vera Katz.

## PGE Thanked

 For Hot Meals Loaves and Fishes is expressing grati-tude to PGE for restoring electricity to tude to PGE for restoring electricity to
their central kitchen after in lost power their central kitchen after in lost power
during the recent windstorm. Many of the during the recent windstorm. Many of the
seniors depending on the meals for their seniors depending on the meals for their
daily hot, nutritious meals were also withdaily hot, nutritious meal
out heat and electricity.

## Kwanzaa Honors Seven Principles


wanzaa is being celebrated by African Americans this week in honor of the
traditions of the past The holiday originated when. The holiday originated when African American
ancestors gathered to celebrate the ancestors gathered to celebrate the harvesting of the
first crops. The word Kwanzaa is Swahili for "first first crops. The word Kwanzaa is Swahili for "first
fruits." The celebration starts the first day after Christmas and is observed with seven principles over seven days. The principles are:
Unity (Umoja) - To strive for and maintain unity in the African American family, community, nation and race.
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Self-determination (Kujichagulia) - For African Americans to define, name and speak for themselves, instead of being defined or spoken for by
others. For African Americans to build and maintain their community together and to make African American problems, community problems and to solve them together.
Co-operative Economisc (Ujamaa) - To build
and maintain African Americin and maintain African American stores, shops and
other businesses and to profit to other businesses and to profit together from them.
Purpose (Nia) - To make as a collective vocation, the building and development of the African American community in order to restore African American people to their traditional greatness.
Creativity (Kuumba)- To always do as much as
you can to leave the African American you can to leave the African American community
more beautiful and beneficial than it was when more beautiful and beneficial than it was when
African Americans inherited it African Americans inherited it.
Faith (Imani) - To
Faith (Imani) - To believe with all your heart in
parents, teachers and leaders of parents, teachers and leaders of African American decent and the righteousness and victory of the
African American struggle.

## Joblessness Looms Large In N/NE



To achieve a rate of 75 percent male participation in the labor force, the stud
suggests, 500 men suggests, 500 men would have to begin work of black men not in the labor force accounts for the entire 500 man disparity.
About 44 percent of black wo in the labor force, that's about 2,250 people out of a population of 5,100 . This represents bout 200 people above the city average, the study shows.
Consequently, poverty among whites in
inner north and northest inner north and northeast communities is
20.7 percent and among blacks 32.4 percent 20.7 percent and among blacks 32.4 percent.
The poverty rate for the entire metropolitan area is 13.5 percent area is 13.5 percent.
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