

**Education first**

Roberto Clemente, Jr., son of the Hall of Fame baseball player from Puerto Rico, spoke at Nike World Headquarters.



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**Tiger Woods makes good**

Tiger Woods qualified for the PGA tour with his playoff victory over Davis Love III.



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## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

**Bruggere supports Head Start funding**

Senate candidate Tom Bruggere has presented a five-point plan for education that offers significant benefits to Oregon's minority populations. Mr. Bruggere's plan encompasses early childhood to higher-education-and-beyond issues, beginning with full funding for Head Start. Currently, funding shortfalls allow only one half of eligible children to be enrolled.

**Clinton campaign optimistic**

President Clinton's re-election campaign team is talking about sweeping the Northeastern states, as well as a strong showing in the West Coast. With Election Day four weeks off, Clinton was comfortable enough about his lead in the polls to pull off the campaign trail for some rest in Washington. White House spokesman Mike McCurry said the campaign is starting to see the possibility of "a clean sweep in the Northeast."

**IRA claims bomb attack**

The Irish Republican Army has claimed responsibility for the two bomb blasts at the British Army headquarters in Northern Ireland Monday. A caller, using a recognized codeword, told Irish broadcaster RTE that its units carried out the most serious attack in Northern Ireland since the IRA called a truce in August 1994.

**Pope's surgery goes well**

Doctors in Rome have completed their surgery to remove the appendix of Pope John Paul II and say it was a "textbook" operation. They say the surgery took about two hours and there were no complications. John Paul's recent frailty has caused widespread speculation that he may be more seriously ill and might have a tumor but doctors said they found no other problems. "When he came round he greeted everybody and thanked them," said the lead surgeon. "He was calm throughout." If all goes well, the 76-year-old pontiff could be out of the hospital in about five days.

**Fuhrman apologizes for slur**

Ex-detective Mark Fuhrman, sentenced to probation last week for lying on the stand in the O.J. Simpson murder trial, told an interviewer that he's sorry for using racial slurs and that he never planted evidence. "I'm apologizing from the bottom of my heart for creating pain where pain wasn't necessary," Fuhrman said.

**Smoking, eye disease link?**

Researchers say heavy smokers of cigarettes may run a higher risk of developing an untreatable eye ailment that causes progressive blindness. Two studies found smokers face double the risk of developing a disorder of the retina that causes an expanding area of blindness in the direct line of vision.

**Briton, Canadian win Nobel**

British professor James Mirrlees and Canadian William Vickrey have won the 1996 Nobel Economics Prize. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences says the \$1.12 million prize was awarded for "their fundamental contributions to the economic theory of incentives under asymmetric information."

## Walk to save a mind



Marathon runner, Alberto Salazar joined hundreds of walkers from local businesses, community organizations, church members and individuals in the "Walk a Mile to Save a Mind" walk-a-thon last Saturday at Peninsula Park.



Angela Minns (above) enthusiastically joins in on the warm-up activities preceding the 7th annual "Walk a Mile to Save a Mind" walk-a-thon at Peninsula Park to raise money for the United Negro College Fund this past Saturday. Proceeds from the event will benefit more than 400 educational programs and operating funds for the 40 member colleges and universities supported by the fund. Olympic track athletes Alvin and Calvin Harrison, marathon runner Alberto Salazar and Portland news anchor Leah Hope participated in the event.

Photos by Timothy Collins

## Debate leaves Clinton sailing smoothly

BY ALAN ELSNER, CORRESPONDENT

**President Bill Clinton seems to have cleared a big hurdle in his path to re-election in Sunday's opening campaign debate because Republican Bob Dole failed to do him serious harm, analysts say.**

"Dole did as well as he could possibly do but he failed to provide a compelling argument to the nation for changing presidential horses right now," said Robert Holsworth, a political scientist at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Despite predictions he would be outclassed by Clinton's debating skills, the Republican nominee more than held his own and may have softened his image with deft use of one-liners.

But that was probably not enough in a campaign where he is running 15-20 points

behind in polls less than a month before the Nov. 5 election.

"Dole really failed to provide a reason why voters should elect him as president," said J.P. Monroe, a political scientist at the University of Miami. "There's really not an overall theme that distinguishes him as a candidate."

The consensus among pundits who watched the two spar for 90 minutes was that both landed some jabs but Clinton parried most of the heavy blows and there was certainly no knockout.

While presidential debates often produce at least one memorable moment, this one did not rise to that level.

In that sense it mirrored the entire campaign, which has been earnest but has failed to stir much interest among the voters. Polls have given Clinton double-digit leads for the

past six months, and nothing Dole has done has pulled him within striking distance.

The key issue of the debate, as of the campaign, was posed by Clinton in his opening statement when he declared that America under his leadership was better off than it had been four years ago. Thus he co-opted a theme celebrated in U.S. presidential debate lore since 1980 when Republican challenger Ronald Reagan used it to devastating negative effect against President Jimmy Carter.

Before Dole could turn the issue his way, Clinton said his own achievements included "ten and a half million more jobs, rising incomes, falling crime rates and welfare rolls, a strong America at peace."

Peace and prosperity give him a powerful re-election argument, and his use of it at the debate's outset forced Dole to look for dark clouds in a generally sunny sky.

"I know millions of you still have anxieties," he said.

"You work harder and harder to make ends meet and put food on the table. You worry about the quality and the safety of your children and the quality of education. But even more importantly, you worry about the future and will they have the same opportunities that you and I have had."

When Clinton talked about building a bridge to a better future, Dole replied, "There's a lot wrong with America."

He repeatedly touted his tax cut proposal but again failed to explain in detail how he would pay for it.

Early public reaction reflected analysts' views that Dole had projected himself well but changed few minds. Three snap polls rated Clinton the winner by five-to-three margins.

## This shot can save you misery

BY SABRINA SAKATA

**If you haven't already noticed, the dreadful flu season has crept up a little early this year.**

Trust me, you want to get a flu shot. For the same amount you might spend on taking some friends to Burgerville, you can get a shot and spare yourself seven days of misery. And don't forget the costs you would be spending on medicine.

If you're under a health coverage plan, like Kaiser Permanente, you can receive a flu shot at no cost. Consult your insurance provider.

In 1993, at least 43 Oregonians died of influenza, many others were sick enough to require hospitalizations, and thousands missed

work and school.

Flu vaccine is developed each year to protect against the strains believed most likely to circulate in that year's flu season. The vaccine used in the United States contains no living virus and cannot cause flu.

Typically, the vaccine is effective in preventing illness in approximately 70 percent of people under age 65.

Although less effective in the elderly, vaccination substantially reduces the risk of pneumonia from influenza.

According to Gary L. Oxman MD, MPH, Health Officer, the Multnomah County Health Department recommends that the following individuals be immunized against influenza,

which he describes as "a viral infection of the bronchial tubes and lungs that can make a person ill, before the flu season begins."

-Anyone who wants to avoid this year's flu.

-County residents 65 yrs. or older.

-Residents with chronic health problems, such as heart disease, kidney disease, diabetes, breathing problems, and immunosuppressive conditions including HIV/AIDS infection.

-Youth receiving long-term aspirin therapy who may be at risk of developing Reye's Syndrome.

-Individuals that provide or have contact with high-risk patients.

## U.S. calls on North Korea to free Americans

**The United States said on Monday that an American citizen being held in North Korea on espionage charges should be freed at once and a senior State Department official denied he was a spy.**

"North Koreans ought not to hold on to an American citizen who is being detained in North Korea, and he should be released immediately," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns told reporters.

North Korea said on Sunday that a U.S.

citizen it named as Evan Carl Hunzike was arrested on Aug. 24 after crossing the Amnok river, called the Yalu in Chinese, from China and had been charged with spying for the South.

South Korea said on Monday it believed Hunzike was a China-based missionary in his mid-20s working in an area of northeast China bordering North Korea. It denied he was working for Seoul.

Burns declined to identify the man, but said the United States was in contact with

North Korea about the case through Pyongyang's mission to the United Nations.

Swedish diplomats, who handle U.S. affairs of this type in the North Korean capital, were granted access to him on Sept. 16 and 17 and Washington was pressing for another visit, he said.

The department official, who asked not to be identified, described North Korea's accusations against Hunzike as "hysterical." "It's a very bizarre episode... We don't believe he's been engaged in espionage for any-

body..." he said.

"We don't know much. We know that he crossed the Yalu River, and then he went into North Korea and then he was found. I don't know what he looks like but he probably doesn't look like a North Korean, or dress like a North Korean. So he was picked up. He's mixed (ethnically)," the official said, but gave no further details.

At a time of high tension on the peninsula, Burns said the United States would stick by its ally South Korea.