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Troops Welcomed Home from Iraq

From left, Michael Bays, Shirika Collins, Byrone Boton, and Jeff Harris, members of the Oregon National Guard were warmly welcomed home after serving a tour of duty in Iraq. Also See inside, page 5.

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Detroit Picks Sue

Nebraska defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh, a graduate of Grant High School in Portland, smiles as he responds to questions during a news conference after he was selected as the second overall pick by the Detroit Lions in the first round of the NFL Draft on Thursday, in New York. (AP Photo)

Former Grant player NFL bound

(AP) - Ndamukong Suh, the former Grant High School football star who soared to the top echelons in college football, was selected the No. 2 overall pick in the NFL draft Thursday by the Detroit Lions.

Suh, a Heisman Trophy finalist from Nebraska, became the first defensive tackle to be drafted among the top two picks since Oakland took Darrell Russell in 1997. Suh said he isn't worried about the lackluster track record of similar players at his position taken high in the draft.

"I'm a different type of person,"

Suh said on a conference call.

The 6-foot-4, 307-pound Suh was the first defensive player to win The Associated Press College Football Player of the Year award since its inception in 1998. He had 4½ sacks against Texas in the Big 12 title game and finished with 12 sacks for the season.

"He's not just a one-year wonder," Schwartz said.

Suh graduated from Nebraska with a construction management degree and plans to donate \$2.6

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Editor's note: The Portland Observer regrets that the copy from two stories in our last issue, "100 Glorious Years," and "Destination Vancouver USA" were improperly affixed to different headlines and pages in last week's issue. We are republishing these important articles this week on pages 18 and 19.

100 Glorious Years

Jefferson High School alumnae have produced a book to pay tribute to the school's centennial and 100 of its most distinguished graduates. See story, page 19.

Destination Vancouver U.S.A.

With a new brand to differentiate it from its neighbor in Canada, Vancouver is attracting visitors with an eclectic blend of historic sites and modern amenities. See story, page 18.