

# SPORTS

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## RON BELLAMY



### New outlook for the older athlete

THE GUY WAS standing on the sidewalk beside Patterson Street, hunched over a map.

He wore a road-race T-shirt, shorts and running shoes with black socks. He carried a backpack. On his head was one of those soft caps that older distance runners wear to keep the sun from burning through thinning hair.

"Welcome to Eugene," said a local runner, gliding past.

"Thanks," the man said, cheerfully. A pause.

"How did you know I'm from out of town?"

Ah, yes. How, indeed.

They aren't difficult to spot, these athletes here for the World Veterans' Championships track and field meet. They stand on the street corners, looking at their maps, talking in accents. They parade into tour buses. You see the fit and graying couples, Mr. and Mrs. World Vets, sightseeing downtown.

Somewhat, you can't help but smile. But stop, for a moment, on the morning of the first day of the largest track meet in history, to think about who these people are.



### Steven Ungerleider

Masters dedicated to cause

"I was surprised," Ungerleider said. "I thought they were just sort of hanging out, having a good time, and just went and did their thing. These are very, very serious competitors. They take their work seriously, they take their recreation seriously, and they certainly take their competing seriously."

The specific focus of the study was how athletes use mental imagery and visualization. For an Olympic athlete, that could mean sitting at home, eyes closed, picturing every stride at a 1,500.

The researchers knew that elite athletes do this. They found out most masters athletes do so as well, many quite often. For Ungerleider, this indicated the seriousness of masters athletes.

Good enough. But the study also provides material for a thumbnail sketch of masters athletes:

- They are, in general, affluent and successful people. The Europeans, Australians and New Zealanders here this week have the funds to bring themselves and their families to Eugene. Big bucks.

**IF THE SOCIAL** spectrum of athletes competing in an NCAA meet is very broad, ranging from inner-city sprinters to the Stanford distance runner who might be the child of a doctor, the social spectrum in the veterans' games is relatively narrow.

The athletes are very well-educated. Almost 20 percent are educators, 10 percent are professionals, 7 percent are doctors, 6 percent are architects or engineers. The average age is 50. There is money here, and status, and success. And people who have applied the same drive to their training.

- About 52 percent of the masters athletes completed in high school, about 51 percent in college. What is striking is that almost half didn't compete in school and probably didn't consider themselves athletic until reaching middle-age or beyond.

Somewhere here is the guy who, in high school, was perceived as a slide rule-carrying geek, and now, in his late 40s, owns a lucrative computer software company, and is lean and fast while the high school football stars have gone to fat.

- Though the athletes might have started jogging to relieve job stress, or to lose weight, training and competing struck a chord.

Almost a quarter of Ungerleider's athletes had a coach. That bespeaks money, commitment and a desire to reach potential, though not necessarily great talent — the veterans' championships are just a very big all-comers' meet.

Still, about 37 percent of the athletes studied by Ungerleider had seen a doctor specializing in sports medicine. They had pushed themselves past the injury point — and didn't quit.

- These are fairly happy people. In general, masters athletes have less tension, less depression and less anger than other groups. Athletics provide a sense of balance and release.

**IT'S ANOTHER WAY** in which masters athletes differ from elite Olympic athletes, because while competing is important to them, it is not make-or-break. No matter what happens here, the masters athletes go back to their law careers, their medical practices, their families, their retirement. It is a situation far removed from that of an elite athlete at the starting line in the Olympic Trials, pressured by the years invested, haunted by the price of failure.

"The mood is much much better among masters athletes," said Ungerleider. "There's not that much on the line. They came here to run, but they also came to do the white-water rafting, and see Eugene and go to the Hull Center and have an experience. It's the camaraderie, the friendship, the travel."

"Mary [Laney] would never say, 'I'm going to run in the Bissett' because I want to see Oslo'."

But the masters athletes are here for the sights, and the fun, and the friendships. And, also, for the opportunity to test their skills and for the satisfaction that comes from clearing an earlier hurdle.

## Vets' games off and running

By DAVE KAYFES  
The Register-Guard

All the plans have been drawn, all the strategies have been laid out, and many of the 4,951 athletes are here.

It's time for the biggest track and field show on earth, the World Veterans' Championships, to begin today — the women's heptathlon at 7:30 a.m. and the men's decathlon at 8 a.m.

Meet officials say it will be a good test for Hayward Field, the main venue, and for the 400 officials who have volunteered to work.

"Once we get into it, we have enough veteran officials that it may be like just another track and field meet," said Jim Puckett, the director of competition.

But what about the people in the community? What can

they do to get a feeling for the event? How do you watch an event so big that goes on for so long and not fall asleep?

For starters, Barbara Kousky, executive secretary of the meet, suggests the opening ceremonies Friday night.

"That should give you a flavor of the meet," she said. "The number of athletes and the number of competitors."

Athletes from 58 countries, the most ever assembled for this meet, are scheduled to parade into Hayward Field (Khushi Ram Baghel of India, the oldest man in the field at 102, was supposed to be the last person in the procession, but the possibility of his presence was put in doubt Monday when one of the groups from India had visa problems. Kousky said one of the groups was cleared Wednesday, but she didn't know if Ram Baghel was among them.)

Another possible attraction could be the 10,000-meter road race tonight at 7:30.

"I think it's the most wide open race we have," said Tom Jordan, the executive director of the meet. "It should be very competitive."

The men and women will start separately, the men on Pearl and the women on High near Seventh Street. The course runs south to East Amazon and back on West Amazon.

As a whole, the event wasn't designed to attract capacity crowds, which is why meet organizers will charge admission (\$2 for adults and \$1 for children under 12) for only two days — Sunday, July 30, and Saturday, Aug. 5.

"Those are the heavy track days with the attractive events," said Jordan.

Sunday's schedule is spiced by finals in the 100 meters, the 10,000 meters and hurdles for men and women at Hayward Field.

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The Emeralds' Kevin Long hopped toward the plate and a welcome home by teammates David Solseth (11) and Sean Collins after smashing a go-ahead homer in the sixth inning.

## Ems keep the faith in 12-8 comeback

By BOB RODMAN  
The Register-Guard

Confusing, wasn't it? Up 6-0 one minute, down 7-6 the next. Psychiatrists make a living explaining such developments.

Like the party host who wondered if he had been invited, the Emeralds made merry for the first four innings and then were asked to leave in the fifth.

Spokane didn't quit, and neither did the guys from Eugene as the Emeralds got a lead, lost it, got a lead, shared a lead, and finally got the lead for keeps en route to a

12-8 clambake at Civic Stadium.

The cloudy sky and chilly wind served as a forewarning of sorts that Wednesday night's Northwest League battle — the final regular-season meeting between Eugene and Spokane — was not going to go quietly.

It didn't.

Don Lindsey, a relief pitcher, was pored into starting duty when Matt Karchner was knocked out of the rotation by an arm injury.

Lindsey, a right-hander, said he wasn't nervous, and he pitched like it for four in-

ings. He gave up two harmless singles and threw only 34 pitches in those first four innings. The Eugene defense also turned two double plays in the first two innings.

"It was a little different at first," he admitted, having worked his previous 200 innings in relief. "But I just tried to go inning by inning and not worry about it."

His team staked him first to a 4-0 lead and then 6-0. In the bottom of the first, nine Emeralds trotted to the plate and four of them scored in five hits and a walk off Spokane starter John Pheasant.

David King, the designated hitter who

missed the last 10 games with a hip injury, was back in the lineup and drilled an RBI single in his first at-bat. Pat Murphy singled in a run, and Fred Russell's two-run single capped off the first inning.

Eugene added two more runs in the third when King doubled, Murphy singled, King scored on an error, and Murphy scored on a fielder's choice.

Meanwhile, Lindsey was sailing along. Then came the fifth.

The Indians sent 12 batters to the plate. Turn to EMS, Page 4C

## Eugene softball teams eye regional crown

By TERRY RHOADS  
The Register-Guard

It's crunch time for Eugene's girls of summer.

For the second straight year, three Eugene squads — KUGN, the Lady Hawks and Oregon Farms — are in the chase for the championship trophy of the 32-team Northwest regional ASA girls' 19-and-under fastpitch softball tournament, which unfolds Friday thru Sunday at Portland's Eric Lind stadium.

As in past years, the top two finishers in the double-elimination competition will earn berths in next month's national championship tournament at Fargo, North Dakota. But, unlike in recent seasons when one or two teams dominated the regional championships, this year's tournament is being touted as an "anybody can win it" affair.

"There's a lot of parity this year with the upper echelon teams," Lady Hawk Coach Lance McDonald said. "Four or five Washington teams look strong, the same for Oregon. It's going to be a real scramble but I think we (the Eugene teams) each have a shot (to go to the nationals)."

The source of McDonald's enthusiasm can be traced to the impressive performance by the Eugene softball teams at last weekend's 17-team state championship tournament. Although the three Eugene teams, which assemble the majority of their rosters with players from District 5AAA high schools, failed in their bid to win the championship, they left a deep impression on the tournament.

KUGN rolled to victories in its first four games and right Turn to SOFTBALL, Page 5C



Leading their teams into regional play are (left to right) Jan Larson, Mary Bryan and Kristi Delaplain



# SOFTBALL

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into the tournament's championship final. But then KUGN, needing just one win in a two-game series with host Medford to successfully defend its 1988 state title, fell short, first dropping the eight-inning-decider 3-1 and then losing 5-0 in the deciding contest.

The Lady Hawks finished right behind in third place, losing only to KUGN, 3-2 in nine innings, and 1-0 to Medford. Oregon Farms, which bounced back from a first-round defeat with four straight victories, lost to Medford, 2-0, to take fourth place.

"That's the second year in a row that the three Eugene teams have finished the top four at state," McDonald said. "I think it's fair to say that softball is alive and well in Eugene, Oregon."

KUGN, which finished second in the regional tournament last year before being eliminated at the national

tournament with a pair of one-run defeats, has accumulated a 35-14 record this season and will be one of this weekend's favorites.

Two major reasons are the pitching skills of a couple of ex-Churchill stand-outs — Karina McGuire and Kelly Finley. McGuire, who led the Lancers to the Class AAA state championship game this past spring, has pitched strong all summer, partly because Finley has been so strong-armed herself.

"It's a wonderful pitching combination because they complement each other so well," said Coach Don Doerr. "We haven't had to just use one good pitcher all season and in tournaments where you can potentially play four games in a day, it's nice to have two pitchers whom you have confidence in."

Also working in KUGN's favor will be the team's experience in major tournaments with six players back from the 1988 squad. Finally, KUGN is hungry for a championship trophy.

"We're hungry all right," said Doerr, of his team which has finished second, third and fourth in five tournaments this summer. "We thought we were going to get one last weekend. It was nice to be so close, but it's also frustrating."

First baseman Mary Bryan, a former Thurston slugger, paces KUGN at the plate with a .430 batting average and .710 slugging percentage, while third baseman-pitcher Finley is hitting .330.

The Lady Hawks, on the strength of

their outstanding pitching depth, carry a 28-18 season record and big hopes up to Portland.

"Right now our pitchers are super — they're keeping us in the ball games and not giving up runs," said McDonald of University of Oregon sophomore-to-be Jan Larson, Sheldon's Kelly O'Connor and Pleasant Hill's Laurie Fleischer.

The Hawks can also hit the ball, with Kim Warner and Fleischer, both sporting .400 batting averages. Former Marist catcher Tracy Lynch, who will play for Portland State next year, is the team's on-field leader and a .300 hitter.

Oregon Farms also takes impressive credentials into the regional tournament. Coached by Jerry Delaplain,

Oregon Farms is 23-16 and has two third place tournament finishes to its credit.

"I think we're peaking at the right time — we played some good ball at Medford," said Delaplain, who has been coaching many of his players since they began ASA competition at age 12.

"We've played most of the good teams in regionals and done fairly well. I don't know if we're gonna win 11, but if we're mentally ready we'll do well."

Kristi Delaplain, a second-team all-state pitcher who led North Eugene to third in state last spring, heads the Oregon Farms' pitching staff with a 15-5 record and 0.40 ERA. Sherry Lorentz, a .330 hitter, is 7-1 on the mound.

# Oregon Gold wins another

LAS VEGAS — Oregon Gold improved to 2-0 in pool play at the National Junior (15-and-under) Prep Championship basketball tournament with a 71-54 victory over Compton ARC, Calif. on Wednesday.

Ty Lockard, who will be a sophomore at North Eugene High School in the fall, led Oregon Gold with 17 points, while D.J. Quinney of South Eugene added 12. Dave Kemp of Junction City pulled down nine rebounds and shipped in six points.

Oregon Gold will meet Utah today in a final pool game before starting semifinal action on Friday.

## I-5 Bandits sweep

PORTLAND — Allison Sikes' two-run triple gave the I-5 Bandits of Eugene a 6-3, four-inning victory Wednesday night and a sweep of the Madison Indians in girls' fastpitch softball.

The Bandits, 26-11, won the first game, 10-3, behind a combined five-hitter by Jodi Haanauks and Jenny Hefflinger. The Bandits' Jean Dukart also was three for three with two RBI and two runs scored.

The Eugene team will begin play in the 23-and-under Northwest regional tournament Friday at Vancouver, Wash.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

Southern Oregon					
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Klamath Falls	21	7	.750	0	
Roseburg	20	7	.741	1/2	
Medford	17	14	.550	4 1/2	
Prineas	17	8	.680	2 1/2	
Central Point	16	10	.615	3 1/2	
Springfield	10	16	.385	10	
North Coast	10	15	.400	11	
Rainier Chevrolet	7	23	.233	15	
Albany	7	23	.233	15	

NOTE: Albany team has folded and will not be represented in games.

Wednesday's Results:  
 Roseburg vs. Springfield, 7-0  
 Medford vs. Klamath Falls, 4-2

Todays Games:  
 Klamath Falls vs. Springfield (5:00 p.m.)  
 Roseburg vs. Medford (7:00 p.m.)  
 North Coast vs. Rainier Chevrolet at Civic Stadium (7:30 p.m.)

## Myers blanks Timbers, 6-0

ROSEBURG — Left-hander Mark Myers fired a 2-0 shutout with nine strikeouts and three walks as Roseburg struck the Springfield Timbers, 6-0, in American League baseball Wednesday night.

Brad Waterman collected both hits for the Timbers with a single and a double. The Timbers fell to 10-16 in league play, while Roseburg moved to 28-7.

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 American League (7:30 a.m. Wood 18) and Southern League (7:30 a.m. Springfield, Hefflinger, Roseburg, Fugate, 19) vs. Springfield, Fugate, Roseburg, Fugate, Lansing, Florida, Denver.

## Two commit to join UO track program

Ron Foster of Lakeview and Todd Bleakney of Mercer Island, Wash., both hurdlers and jumpers in high school, have indicated they will enroll at the University of Oregon this fall. Coach Bill Dellinger has announced.

Foster captured two AA state titles for the second consecutive year last spring, winning the 100 meters and long jump.

He owned the state's best mark for all divisions in the long jump last spring with a 23-foot, 8 1/2-inch effort. He also took the 100 in 11.19 seconds, adding to 1988 crowns in the 100 and 200 meters and long jump. Foster had a best of 14.5 in the hurdles.

Bleakney placed in two events at the Washington AAA meet, capturing fifth in the triple jump at 47-11 and sixth in the high hurdles with a 1:50 clocking. He had a hand-timed 14.3 earlier in the season.

## Woolley's rolls past Challengers, 10-2

Curt Smith had three hits in five at-bats, while teammates Ed Howarth and Jason Linker added two hits apiece to lead Woolley's to a 10-2 semi-pro baseball victory over Pegal Challengers at Swede Johnson Stadium on Wednesday night.

Woolley's, which improved to 13-3, broke open a 3-0 game with three runs in the top of the seventh and four runs in the top of the ninth.

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ward Field Seminals in the 800 will take place at Silke Field, and walkers will be out on the streets.

The feature on next Saturday's schedule is the men's 1,500 with Wilson Waigwa, who set a world record for the 40-year-old division during the Pre Classic here, matched against 1972 Olympic medalist Mike Bolt of Kenya and Larry Almgren, the new American record-holder at 3:55.

"That could be the highlight in the meet," Jordan said.

Other than that, Jordan suggests that you pick your spots, with most of the distance events scheduled in the morning or evening and the shorter events in the afternoons.

Among the big names for their age groups:

- Derek Turnbull, 62, of New Zealand, who won six gold medals last year in the games in Australia, owns three world records for his age group. His times include 4:29 for the 1,500 and 21:67 for the 400. In addition, he holds the world record for the marathon, the only man over 60 to have run the event in under 2:40:00.

- John Gilmore of Australia, who celebrated his 70th birthday by setting a world best in the half marathon in 1:21:41. Seven days later he ran a 54:49 over 13,000 meters in Perth, bettering the old world record by five minutes.

- Al Oerter, the four-time U.S. Olympic gold medalist who dominates the 50-year-old division in the discus, which will be contested next Thursday at 11 a.m. at Hayward Field.

- Waigwa of Kenya, who set the world record for the men's-50 division in the mile in the Prefontaine Classic here last month, and countrymen Mike Bolt, who once trained in Eugene, and Kip Keino, who upset Jim Ryun of the United States in the memorable 1968 1,500 Olympic final in Mexico City.

- Peyton Jordan, the former Stanford and U.S. Olympic coach who owns a bunch of national and age-group records and is defending champion in the men's-70 division.

- Charlie Bock of Australia, who invented starting blocks in 1927 and recently set a world record for his age group (86) for the 200 meters (38.3).

If you think you have it bad as a spectator, imagine the task of Frank Zarowski, the announcer for the heptathlon and decathlon today and Friday.

Zarowski, the dean of the deaf and dumb program of business at Mount St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg, Md., and author of the book, "The Decathlon," said this is the first time the decathlon has been tried at a world veterans' games and the field is the largest ever — by far.

He counted the possibility of 400 timed races, 600 long jumps, 600 shot puts, 600 discus throws, 2,000 pole

# VIEWER'S GUIDE TO VETERANS' GAMES

**TODAY**  
**WHAT** — First day of heptathlon and decathlon at Hayward Field, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Road race begins at 7:30 p.m. at Broadway and Pearl streets.  
**PEOPLE TO WATCH** — Bob Richards, Olympic pole vault gold medalist in 1952 and 1956, once pictured on the box of Wheaties cereal, in men's-60 decathlon, beginning with 100 at 8:30 a.m.; Rex Harvey, who has begun with 100 at 8:30 a.m. in more decathlons (116 completed) than any man in history, in the men's-40 decathlon, beginning with 100 at 8:30 a.m.; Phil Mulkey, former world record holder, in men's-55 decathlon, beginning with 100 at 11 a.m.; Phil Raschker, four-event gold medalist last year, in women's-40 heptathlon, beginning with 60 hurdles at 9 a.m.

**FRIDAY**  
**WHAT** — Conclusion of heptathlon and decathlon, all at Hayward Field, beginning at 7 a.m. Opening ceremonies, 7:30 p.m., Hayward Field.  
**PEOPLE TO WATCH** — Richards finishes men's-60 with 1,600 at 12:30 p.m.; Harvey finishes men's-40 with 1,500 at 6:30 p.m.; Mulkey finishes men's-55 with 1,500 at 2 p.m.; Raschker finishes women's-40 with 800 at 1:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY**  
**WHAT** — Events at Hayward Field and Silke Field, with some finals in the 10,000 as early as 7 a.m. and as late as 9 p.m. Finals in some age groups of the pole vault, long jump, and heats and semifinals in the 100.  
**PEOPLE TO WATCH** — Former Olympian Eddie Weick, long jumper, and heptathlete, former Stanford track coach, and defending champ, Peyton Jordan in men's-70 100 at 10 a.m.; Elza Krzysanowicz, 1956 Olympic gold medalist, in women's-55 long jump final at Silke Field, 1 p.m.; John Gilmore, multi-event world age-group record holder from Australia, in 10,000, 7 a.m. at Hayward Field; Shirley Braxler, multi-event world age-group record holder from Australia, in 10,000, 7 a.m. at Silke Field.

**SUNDAY**  
**WHAT** — Events at Hayward Field and Silke Field, with race-walking on Agate Street. Finals include the men's 10,000, and men's and women's 100.  
**PEOPLE TO WATCH** — An excellent field, including Olympic medalist Mike Bolt and possibly Lee Evans and Ron Bolt of England in semifinals of the men's-40 200, 1:30 p.m. at Silke; Duncan MacDonald, former American 5,000 record holder and Olympian, in finals in the men's-40 10,000, 9 p.m. at Hayward Field; Irene O'Brien, triple gold medalist last two years, in women's-55 100, 11:35 a.m. at Hayward Field; Ken Dennis, world record holder, in men's-50 100, 12:40 p.m.; Larry Stuart, world age-group record holder, in men's-50 100, 11 a.m. at Silke Field; Visha Sedlak, who recently set a U.S. national record in the men's-40 100 race-walk.

**MONDAY**  
**WHAT** — Day-off, no competition.

**TUESDAY**  
**WHAT** — Events at Hayward Field and Silke Field.

... vaults, and 2,000 high jumps in the two days of decathlon competition.

There isn't enough time in a week to announce all of that, says Zarowski, who is used to announcing every track event. "I'll just try to make sure I introduce everyone at the start, and give them the rules. It's kind of scary."

The big name in the decathlon is that of Bob Richards, the two-time Olympic pole vault gold medalist who was twice ranked No. 1 in the world in the decathlon. He is entered in the men's-60 division.

"It's our maiden voyage," Jordan said of the first two days. "And it is like a voyage, because it should be an adventure."

# UO's Graves, Jarrett awarded special Pac-10 honors medals

All-Americans Penny Graves in cross country and Glenn Jarrett in wrestling are Oregon's recipients of the Pacific-10 Conference medal, director of athletics Bill Byrne has announced.

The Pac-10 medal is awarded annually to the male and female senior athlete at each Pac-10 institution who exhibits outstanding achievement in athletics, scholarship and leadership.

Jarrett also was the winner of the Emerald Athletic Trophy as Oregon's outstanding senior student-athlete and a first-team all-league Academic All-America selection.

Jarrett was a conference champion

for the second time last winter and finished seventh in the NCAA meet, finishing with a 31-61 season mark and 110 career victories, second on Oregon's all-time list. He finished his undergraduate degree with a 3.82 grade point average in physical education and biology and chemistry.

Graves led Oregon to its runner-up finish in the NCAA Championship in cross country last fall, finishing 10th to earn all-America honors for the third consecutive year. She also placed in the NCAA track championships three times and was an all-America twice. She graduated with a 3.34 grade point average in physical education.

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# Kings acquire Montreal star

By The Associated Press

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Defenseman Larry Robinson will leave for the Los Angeles Kings with the best wishes of his former team, Montreal General Manager Serge Savard said Wednesday.

"Montreal's not an easy place to play," Robinson said at a news conference called to introduce him to local media. "Most of our practices were about the same size as this press conference. There was no down time."

"The pressure to perform was great and you had it constantly drilled into your head. I found it very difficult and I wasn't enjoying the game as much as I had in the past."

Robinson, a free agent, and his agent, Don Cape, agreed on a contract with Kings owner Bruce McNail. Montreal will not receive compensation but did have a week to match the offer.

Kings General Manager Rogie Vachon confirmed that Robinson had agreed to a multiyear contract, but released no other details. The contract reportedly will pay Robinson about \$1.6 million for three years.

Robinson, 38, is a six-time all-star who has spent his 17-year career in Montreal.

Robinson won the Norris Trophy as the league's top defenseman in 1977 and 1980 and the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP in 1978.

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## Officials seize prescription samples

By KIMBER WILLIAMS  
The Register-Guard

The owner of an Albany drug store and a Eugene man who is a former pharmaceuticals salesman have become the focus of a federal investigation into the possible black market sale of prescription drug samples.

Large amounts of the prescription drug samples were seized Tuesday when search warrants were served simultaneously at the home of Patrick Ryan, 1929 W. 25th Place, Eugene, and at the Thrifty Drug Store, 1040 S.W. Seventh St., Albany, Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeffrey Kent said during a news conference late Wednesday afternoon.

No arrests had been made in the case by Wednesday night, but officials said the investigation is continuing. The investigation was prompted when two pharmacists,

a bookkeeper and a clerk employed at Thrifty Drug Store became suspicious of some of the business activities of Robert Elbert, a licensed pharmacist and principal stockholder in the drug store, and Ryan, a former pharmaceuticals salesman for Lederle Laboratories, Kent said.

The employees reported their suspicions to the state Board of Pharmacy, which brought the information to the U.S. Attorney's office, Kent said.

According to U.S. District Court records in Eugene, James Hunter, a pharmacist employed at the drug store, reported seeing Ryan bring a bag of sample prescription drugs to the store July 11 and talking with Elbert.

The employee told authorities that some of the drugs, including cholesterol and blood pressure medications, were well past their original expiration dates.

Hunter stated that he heard Elbert say to Ryan, "Well, I guess I owe you a check," according to the court records.

Congress passed a law last year outlawing the sale of prescription drug samples, citing black market sales of such samples and health risks posed to consumers, Kent said.

He said the Eugene-Albany case has raised prescription concerns for residents who may have purchased prescription medication through the Thrifty Drug Store — especially antibiotics such as Ceflor that may lose their efficacy or even become toxic after exceeding their expiration dates.

"They should consult with their doctor before any further consumption of the drugs," Kent warned.

Ryan was also linked to the case when a bookkeeper for the pharmacy told authorities five checks have been written

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## DON BISHOFF



## Trip delayed; so was refund

LOOK AT THE WOMAN below: Would you want to sit next to her on a plane — all the way to Rome?

Probably not. Those aren't freckles. That's a major case of chicken pox.

The woman, Catherine Johnson of Eugene, came down with it in May. Just a week before she and her roommate, Laura Kinsey, were to begin a long-planned vacation in Italy and France. They said the photo was taken the day before they were to fly out of Portland.

Johnson was in bed for four days with a 101-degree fever, feeling too rotten to even think about traveling. Her doctor recommended against it, she said.

So, all things considered, the two thought they should postpone their trip. An Italian-speaking friend phoned to postpone their reservations at the pensions (guest houses) where they'd made \$300 in deposits. Their \$320 Eurail tickets are good until October.

But when they phoned Trans World Airlines to change their flights, they said TWA told them no dice.

The two had bought \$782 tickets from the bottom of the fare structure. One reason they're at the bottom is they allow no schedule changes and no refunds — and no exceptions to that rule, unless you die or are hospitalized.

Dying didn't seem a reasonable option, and spending a night in the hospital — if Johnson could have found one to admit her —



Catherine Johnson  
Untimely illness

probably have cost nearly as much as the ticket. So they stayed home and suffered. Kinsey came down with her own chicken pox two weeks later.

Johnson and Kinsey are not experienced world travelers. They said they understood the no-change rule when they bought the tickets but never expected that to be a problem — or realized that it would apply in case of illness. They said they'd never heard of travel insurance, which you can buy to protect against just such occurrences.

Kinsey, 32, is a Southern Pacific railroad freight car mechanic. Johnson, 31, is working on a master's degree in art history at the University of Oregon.

"I wanted to get to Europe and see some of the things I've been seeing in books," Johnson said.

INSTEAD, SHE WAS sitting home healing and paying on a VISA bill for a trip she didn't take. But once they'd recovered, Johnson and Kinsey launched a phone and letter assault on TWA's no-refunds policy.

"Surely your other passengers would not have wanted to sit next to a person obviously sick with a contagious disease," Kinsey wrote TWA. "And if we had been allowed to travel, would the Italian authorities have let us come into the country?"

I can hear the ticket agent now: "Would you like to sit in the smoking, non-smoking or communicable disease section?" Or the Italian immigration officer: "Anything to declare, other than chicken pox?"

But Kinsey and Johnson said various TWA reps stonewalled them on the phone. The airline told their travel agent, Karen Roman, in a letter that "international tariff rules" didn't allow any adjustments in their tickets. Roman wrote back, saying the circumstances argued for an exception.

This month, Kinsey got a letter from Stephen Lasner, a TWA executive assistant for customer relations. He ignored her pleas about flying with a contagious disease and said, form-letter style:

"Unfortunately, to provide a refund in just this case would be considered unfair to other travelers, many of whom have reasons they consider equally important for requesting an exception."

PHONED LASNER on Wednesday in Mt. Kisco, N.Y. He put me on hold briefly and then came back to explain that "tariff" rules covering international flights are negotiated by the airlines with the countries involved and have the practical effect of treaties. "The tariff can't be abrogated," he said.

International rules differ from those for domestic flights, where companies can set their own rules and a note from your doctor can get you a change in an unchangeable ticket, he said. Spokesmen for the U.S. Department of Transportation and Ralph Nader's Aviation Consumer Action Project confirmed that.

But then Lasner said: "However, as a gesture of our concern, we will be happy to bill us two transportation orders for future flights" for Johnson and Kinsey in the amount of \$782 each.

When did TWA decide to do that? "Today," Lasner said. "I just discussed it with another person."

Great, but why didn't TWA do that in the first place, after Johnson and Kinsey explained and illustrated the problem?

"I want to reiterate that TWA does not have to do this," Lasner replied. "We're not owing them anything. We understand that there was a problem and we're doing this as a gesture of our concern. I can't really elaborate in any more depth."

Johnson didn't need any elaboration when she heard the news. "That will cause great rejoicing in this household," he said.

She and Kinsey hope to use the transportation orders to make their trip in September. And this time they'll buy travel insurance.

Who knows? Johnson said. "I might get the refund."



David Rimom, a 75-year-old runner from Israel, prepares to run in Skinner Butte Park on Wednesday. He encourages people to start a fitness program by walking. Staff photos by Gregory Scott

## Age no hurdle to fitness

But older athletes should start by exercising caution

By HARRY ESTEVE  
The Register-Guard

They're out there running, putting the shot, pole vaulting and heaven knows what else, and you're saying to yourself, "I should be out there doing the same thing."

Inspiration, after all, is almost as much a part of the World Veterans' Championships — which open today — as perspiration.

Maybe you're 42, flying a big desk in a nice office, and 60-hour weeks have turned those early evening workouts into hazy nostalgia. Maybe you're 62 and wondering if you could ever swim a mile in the pool again. Or even go out dancing.

The advice from some Eugene health experts and one 75-year-old distance runner from Israel is that fitness is far less a function of age than you've been led to believe.

Fitness, even for those who must consult a dictionary to remember what it means, is there for the taking — as long as you exercise caution along with your muscles, lungs and heart.

If the influx of older athletes into the community motivates you to give your tired-out ticker a test drive, the experts offer a modified version of the Nike shoe company's gutsy imperative to "Just do it."

Do it, but do it slowly and do it right.

What you should not do, stresses Robert Hackman, a University of Oregon nutrition professor, "is go out on a pair of running shoes and go out and start running. Or put on bathing trunks and go swimming as hard as you can."

The road to fitness is full of speed traps. Pulled muscles, tendonitis and bursitis are a few of the common ones. Less common but more threatening are



Rimom began exercising after heart attack 21 years ago

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## Woman gets pregnant after fertility treatment

By JAMES THALMAN  
The Register-Guard

The woman who underwent Lane County's first laboratory-assisted fertility treatment earlier this month is expecting, but her doctor won't know until ultrasound tests next week if the pregnancy is off to a normal start.

With less than a 40 percent projected success rate and a history of new treatment methods rarely working the first time, "we're more than a little excited," Dr. Paul Kaplan said Wednesday.

A similar fertility program at Stanford University where Kaplan trained treated more than 30 women before a pregnancy occurred, he said.

Ultrasound will determine if the embryo has made a successful trip into the woman's uterus and hasn't stopped in her fallopian tube, a situation that wouldn't allow a

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## Leaking gasoline pipe forces station to close

By KIMBER WILLIAMS  
The Register-Guard

An underground gasoline leak, discovered beneath a Mobil service station at 2090 River Road last week, has closed the station temporarily and may be responsible for the temporary closure of a nearby restaurant.

Investigators are trying to determine if the line leak that sent hundreds of gallons of fuel seeping deep into the ground is related to an odor that was noticed recently by employees and patrons of the Sizzler restaurant at Belt Line Road and River Road.

A restaurant spokesman said the business closed July 18 after a sharp petroleum-like odor became noticeable in the restaurant in mid-June.

"All we know is that I (the restaurant) has been closed due to some kind of vapor problem. We're trying to determine if the two are related," said Bill Hollis, environmental engineer for BP Oil Co. in Sacramento, Calif., which manages the Mobil station.

Excavation and drilling began at the site this week to more clearly define the problem and to recover some of the missing gasoline, which has been detected as far down as the underground water table, Hollis said.

"The water at the location is not drinking water. We do not believe there is any threat to that. It's what we call 'purged' — it's not used for agriculture or drinking," he said.

The leak was first detected last Friday, when the local station manager noticed a discrepancy in his gasoline inventory. He notified BP, which in turn alerted the state Department of Environmental Quality in Salem.

By mid-week, workers had already recovered 200 to 300 gallons of gasoline from the soil beneath the station, Hollis said, adding that it's not clear exactly how much gasoline may have been leaked.

Hollis said efforts to clean up the spill will continue.

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# Forfeiture measure draws suit

## Man seeks to have election nullified

By PATTY MANTIA  
The Register-Guard

A North Bend man who is angry over last month's passage of Ballot Measure 1, which allows money from forfeited property to be used by law enforcement agencies, is suing Oregon's governor, secretary of state and treasurer.

Gary L. Corbett, who identifies himself in the lawsuit as a Coos County taxpayer, claims the measure is unconstitutional and the election fraudulent.

Corbett, a self-employed paralegal, is seeking a preliminary injunction in U.S. District Court in Eugene to nullify the election.

"The state Legislature has committed election fraud to pass a constitutional amendment to the detriment of the public and for the benefit of executive bureaucracy by use of misleading inducements," the lawsuit states.

"Plaintiff Gary L. Corbett will suffer damage in the form of higher taxation amounts for schools due to the decreased revenue from lowered Common School Funds," the suit maintains.

A spokesman for the governor said Wednesday that he had not yet seen the lawsuit and could not comment.

Oregon law formerly earmarked money and property seized during federal drug raids in the state for the state's Common School Fund.

In practice, however, federal law book precedence, and the forfeited funds were given to state law enforcement. But a new federal law that takes effect in October prevents states from using the proceeds in a way that is contrary to state law.

Ballot Measure 1, the so-called "forfeiture measure," amended the Oregon Constitution to ensure that police agencies continue to receive the proceeds.

Oregon State Police use most of the forfeited proceeds — expected to amount to \$1 million over the next two years — to pay for sting and undercover operations.

Corbett contends in his lawsuit that eliminating forfeiture proceeds from the Common School Fund will reduce the fund's income. He maintains that the Legislature cannot draft and refer a statute to voters that will reduce the school fund.

"When the federal government agreed to the creation of the school fund, it ordered that the fund never be affected or reduced by statutes passed by the Legislature," Corbett says.

The state has routinely used funds earmarked for the Common School Fund for other purposes, which is illegal, he said. "There are hundreds of millions of dollars missing from the Common School Fund in the 70 years I've been able to document," Corbett said in an interview Wednesday.

Different state agencies have been raiding the fund, in effect, by using for other purposes money that is statutorily assigned to the school fund, Corbett said.

"What they asked us to do with Ballot Measure 1 was legitimize their decade-long misappropriation of funds," Corbett said.

"The major political questions of 1989 in Oregon have been school funding and the reduction of local property taxes," Corbett's lawsuit states. "The highest percentage of property tax expenditures are for local school district taxes which supplement payments from the Common School Fund."

Ballot Measure 1 will reduce that fund, he said.

"What started this whole thing was when I received my Voters' Pamphlet in the mail," Corbett said. "I'm not a political activist, but I do read a lot ... I was surprised that there was no opposition to it. I was surprised that I hadn't heard about it before."



Janice Nave, an employee of Northwest Mortgage Inc., stands across the street on Oak and waves to her boss to leave the third floor of the Citizens Building.

# False alarm empties building's top floors

The alarm on a sensitive smoke detector sent four floors of people at the Citizens Building at 975 Oak St. fleeing to safer ground Wednesday, but the incident proved to be a false alarm.

Repair work was being done on the seventh floor of the building when the smoke detection system was activated at 11:34 a.m., said Tim Birk, public information officer for the Eugene Department of Public Safety.

"We don't know if there was some soldering going on that may have triggered it or if it was just some dust," he said.

# FERTILITY

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fetus to grow and could endanger the woman's life, Kaplan said.

The toughest part is getting pregnant. The two of us for three lines the gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT) doesn't result in a pregnancy, but chances are 75 to 80 percent that once fertilization occurs, the pregnancy will be normal, he said.

If an embryo has burrowed into the fallopian tube tissue, it cannot be transplanted to the uterus, Kaplan said.

The woman, who Kaplan said wishes to remain anonymous until prospects for a successful birth are as sure as they can be, has been trying to become pregnant for about seven years.

In the GIFT treatment, a woman's egg is fertilized by the man's sperm inside the woman's body. In the case of in vitro fertilization — the so-called test tube baby procedure — the woman's egg is fertilized by the man's sperm in a glass dish in a laboratory.

The two-hour, high-technology operation, in which sperm and egg samples were drawn from the couple and then injected through a catheter into the woman's fallopian tube, was completed July 2 at Sacred Heart General Hospital.

Kaplan's team will perform a second GIFT treatment sometime this Wednesday, and a third is scheduled in early August, he said.

Kaplan said he hopes to average about one treatment per month.

Sacred Heart's GIFT program is one of four in the state and is the only one outside the Portland area. It is a satellite of the Oregon Health Sciences University program, which reports a success rate of about 40 percent. Other centers around the country have success rates of 25 to 30 percent, Kaplan said.

About 5,000 GIFT babies have been born in the United States since the treatment began being offered five years ago. About 1,200 have been multiple births, and about 900 of those have been twins, he said.

# VITAL STATISTICS

**Births**  
**SACRED HEART HOSPITAL**  
Eugene  
July 25, 1989  
ARP — Lisa and Robert Arp, of 1205 Clinton Drive, Eugene, a daughter.  
HILL — Sarah and Stephen Hill, of 5151 Fox Hollow Road, Eugene, a son.  
LONG — Ronnie and Brent Long, of 1103 Riden Place, Eugene, a son.  
STRANIO — Caroline and Scott Stranio, of 170 W. Broadway, Eugene, a daughter.  
July 24, 1989  
KYCEK — Barbara and John Kycek, of Veneta, a daughter.  
TANAKA — Michele and James Tanaka, of 21601 Patterson St., Eugene, a son.  
**MCKENZIE-WILLAMETTE HOSPITAL**  
Springfield  
July 26, 1989  
HOLLAND — Mary and Jeffrey Holland, of 69 Burton St., Harrisburg, a son.  
July 25, 1989  
COOK — Theresa and Paul Cook, of 910 N. Fourth St., Springfield, (with sons)  
HALLFORD — Loretta and William Halford, of 3871 McDonald Lane, Marcola, a daughter.  
YBARRA — Graciela and Roberto Ybarra, of 5174 Blue River Drive, Blue River, a son.  
July 23, 1989  
KULM — Cynthia and Craig Kulm, of 2388 E. River — Dwyne, of 59, Creswell, a daughter.  
**Deaths**  
BOUCHET — Craig Bouchet, 77, of Florence, died July 25. Buried Florence Riverside Chapel in charge of arrangements.  
ORTH — Le Roy Hubert Orth, 88, of Eugene, died July 25. Buried Chapel, Springfield, in charge of cremation.  
PORTER — Frank J. Porter, 95, of Eugene, died July 23. A memorial service is at 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Christian Church, Eugene. Lounsbury-Maugrove Mortuary, Eugene, in charge of arrangements.  
SHEPARD — James A. Shepard Jr., 48, of Florence, died July 24. A memorial service is at 2 p.m. Friday at Maugrove's Florence Riverside Chapel.  
**Marriage license applications**  
July 25, 1989  
Joel S. Diegmann, 24, and Stephanie E. Krok, 22, both of 3781 Kincaid St., Eugene.  
Mark A. Steinmetz, 24, and Julie T. Staples, 21, both of 130 River Ave., No. 75, Eugene.  
Craig H. Smith, 32, and Rita A. Wexler, 37, both of 1804 Agate St., Eugene.  
Loren B. Pope Jr., 48, and Penny L. Hunter, 42, both of 1416 Brittany Drive, Eugene.  
Paul E. Ross, 23, of 52 E. Achor Drive, Eugene, and Jeannine M. Stafford, 23, both of 29725 Clear Lake Road, Eugene.  
Don L. Greenly, 33, of 91327 Prairie Road, Junction City, and Carli L. Ivey, 25, of 5335 Dally St., No. 94, Springfield.  
Bradley C. Meyer, 22, and Patricia K. Casburn, 22, both of 1780 Northview Blvd., No. 126, Eugene.  
Joe W. McCoy, 23, and Shelley M. Allen, 23, both of Idaho City, Idaho.  
Scott E. Bangie, 18, of 76417 London Road, Cottage Grove, and Darlene A. Beck, 18, of 77182 London Road, Cottage Grove.  
Charles W. Perkins, 18, of 82036 Bear Moun-

tain Road, Creswell, and Wendy M. Wills, 17, of 276 W. Dixon St., No. 11, Coburg.  
July 24, 1989  
David K. Forstrom, 47, and Deborah A. Piquet, 39, both of 1317 Maple Drive, Eugene.  
Richard D. Marx, 43, and Debra J. Gibson, 42, both of 644 Clark St., Eugene.  
Diane A. Weinmann, 24, of 1785 Northview Blvd., No. 78, Eugene, and Susan E. Ulrich, 23, of 715 Silver Lane, Eugene.  
Paul M. Chazy, 23, of 1831 Kincaid St., No. 18, Eugene, and Janice M. Mohr, 22, of 6610 Pine Grove Road, Eugene.  
Jerry E. Baldwin, 36, of 3238 Dabala Lane, Eugene, and Lynn M. Terrien, 36, of 8401 Link Ridge Drive, Junction City.  
Jonathan D. Armstrong, 17, and Teresa L. Capshaw, 18, both of 726 N. Fourth St., No. 32, Springfield.  
Cathy D. Alkinton, 22, and Carla J. Burk, 23, both of 483 West St., Springfield.  
Terry R. Lybarger, 23, and Darriana L. Bernick, 23, both of 185 N. 35th St., Springfield.  
Bernard E. Spielman, 44, of 1360 Bethel Drive, Eugene, and JoAnne C. Bowen, 42, of 2727 Gateway St., No. 50, Springfield.  
Peter V. Hetzer, 42, and Margaret M. Leath, 25, both of 6779 Park St., Eugene.  
John F. Noel, 42, of Roseburg and Beaumont Ave., No. 38, of 1410 W. 24th Ave., Eugene.  
Michael D. Sorensen, 36, and Melodie A. Klein, 29, both of 596 Chestnut Drive, Eugene.  
Bobby D. Hartman, 18, of 32560 Sheri Court, Cottage Grove, and Jill L. Stewart, 18, of 34382 Garoutte Road, Cottage Grove.  
Richard W. Condit, 38, of 4546 Bristow Road, Pleasant Hill, and Theresa A. Honeywell, 32, of 129 N. 20th Place, Springfield.  
Kenneth W. Layton Jr., 21, and Mary E. Thorn, 19, both of 1230 W. Seventh Ave., No. 7, Eugene.  
David L. Morrison, 23, of 1423 North A St., No. 13, Springfield, and Paula L. Palmer, 22, of 1100 Mount Vernon Road, Springfield.  
Shawn M. Cameron, 18, and Melody G. Leslie, 18, both of 255-B Gateway Blvd., Cottage Grove.  
Rodney F. Callaghan, 25, of Lakeview, and Bridgett M. Griffin, 20, of 90 Silver Lane, No. 64, Eugene.  
John D. Crumley, 38, of 2820 High St., Eugene, and Cheryl N. Barnum, 37, of Pedding, Calif.  
Dana T. Caakany, 920 Elm St., Junction City, and Colleen Y. Lund, 24, of 575 E. 47th Place, Springfield.  
July 21, 1989  
Edward J. Johnston, 50, of 755 S. State St., Suberlin, and Virginia L. Cope, 60, of 1100 N. 68th St., Springfield.  
Michael P. Conroy, 23, and Stephanie K. Ganung, 28, both of Seattle.  
Randy S. Blood, 26, and Pamela A. Smith, 35, both of 1381 Aueler Ave., Eugene.  
Scott A. Slepser, 27, and Shuree J. Nielsen, 25, both of 8310 Applegate Trail, Cheshire.  
Filigono U. Soriano, 24, of 1674 Hayes St., No. A, Eugene, and Susan L. Hockett, 24, of 6940 Banner Drive, Eugene.  
Corey E. Black, 27, and Karrye J. Case, 21, both of 1304 Chambers St., No. 3, Eugene.  
Paul M. Johnston, 38, and Dive L. Johnston, 38, both of 1520 Galloway Court, Eugene.  
Donald E. Doerner Jr., 21, of 4506 Soosa St., Eugene, and Kimberly A. Williams, 21, of 8097 Spires Lane, Eugene.  
Jon A. Anderson, 39, and Terri L. Richards, 38, both of 79 Ridgeway Drive, Eugene.  
Steven R. Weir, 26, of 8873 Lakewood Drive, Florence, and Jennifer D. Gale, 21, of 424 E. First St., Junction City.  
Joel R. Skordahl, 34, of 2383 N. Second St., Springfield, and Cherie L. Smith, 30, of 1890 Brewer St., Eugene.  
Robert G. Bowers, 42, of 21091 Powerline Road, Harrisburg, and Jolene C. Miller, 25, of 4610 Royal Ave., Eugene.  
Mark W. Antram, 32, of 1630 Patterson St., Eugene, and Virginia R. Davis, 32, of 3356 W. 140 Ave., Eugene.  
Benjamin L. Ross, 53, and Karen M. Palmer, 42, both of 1005 W. 18th Ave., Eugene.  
Gerald D. Webster, 39, and Deborah E. Stapp, 33, both of 850 Waverly St., Eugene.

# Dissolutions of marriage

July 25, 1989  
Shoshana B. Ibbotson and Sean P. Ull, Galt J. and Stephen M. Baas, Beryl F. and Larry P. Schrieber, Eugene.  
July 24, 1989  
David R. and Stephanie L. Miles, Marjell F. and Robert R. Bower, Thomas H. and Nancy J. Besson, Robert L. and Alma L. Sewell, Jeffrey J. Keating and Debra K. Raiford.  
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Ronald R. and Edith M. Rutt.  
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# Half state's foster kids won't go home, study says

By The Associated Press

PORTLAND — Half of the children in Oregon foster care homes will probably never return to their parents, a new study by the Children's Services Division says.

The number of children in foster care in Oregon has risen 34 percent in the last three years, to more than 3,400 children, while the overall number of children in Oregon has decreased, said Bill Thomas, the CSD administrator.

Many children are in foster care because their parents are abusing alcohol and drugs, he said.

"When you talk about children not returning home because their parents are in jail or because of parental ab-

sence or neglect, these situations are overwhelmingly caused when the parents' drug and alcohol abuse problems are such that they are unable to care for a child," Thomas said.

According to the study, the typical child in foster care is 7 years old and has been out of his or her parents' home for almost two years.

In Oregon, children are removed from families with problems that may endanger a child. After a child is moved, CSD officials offer counseling, training and educational programs to parents so they can take care of their children.

But many parents cannot, or will not, change. Thomas

said more and more parents are losing their right to take care of their children.

"Increasingly, agencies are saying to parents, 'You need to change in order to get your kids back,'" he said. "Some people can't. Children do have the right to some sort of permanency."

CSD files court petitions to terminate the parental rights of parents who are unwilling or unable to provide for a child in foster care. State courts terminate parental rights for about 150 children a year, officials said.

Dick Rankin, a CSD supervisor, said half the parents who have a child in Oregon's foster care system have failed

to meet any of the requirements set by the state for getting their children back.

"Sometimes the parent is so caught up in the drug and alcohol scene that they can't focus on parenting, or anything else for that matter," he said.

Under a measure passed by the 1989 Oregon Legislature, parents have even less time to make the amendments necessary to get their children back.

Proceedings to permanently take children away from parents charged with abandoning their children may now begin after three months instead of after six months.

And parents who failed to provide for their children now have six months to prove that they will improve their care. Before, parents had a year.

## Alleged boat thief takes wrong tack

By The Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Police say the Ontario man came west to steal a sailboat and see the West Coast. But he saw far more of the coast than he intended.

"He never wants to see the sea again," said Vancouver Police Constable Randy Peterson.

Peterson said a sailboat, the 25-foot Sea Mistress One, was stolen from Vancouver harbor July 17.

The sailor allegedly "was heading for Nanaimo (on Vancouver Island) to pick magic mushrooms," Peterson said, although it's the wrong season for the hallucinogenic mushrooms.

He assumed freighters in the area were going his way so he followed them — out to the Pacific Ocean.

"After sailing and drifting around for four days he put in for shore," said Peterson. "You can imagine his surprise when he found he was 400 miles down the coast in the United States."

He put out to sea again — and lost the sails in a storm.

The boat was found 12 miles northwest of Grays Harbor on the Washington state coast and towed to port Saturday by the U.S. Coast Guard, said Bruce Pimental, Coast Guard spokesman in Seattle.

On board was Pierre Belanger, 21, of Cornwall, Ontario, who was turned over to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Seattle, Pimental said. Belanger was returned Tuesday to British Columbia, where he was charged with theft of \$1,000 and possession of stolen property over \$1,000.

## Man sought in shooting arrested without trouble

An 18-year-old Eugene man who was being sought in connection with a Tuesday night shooting was arrested Wednesday morning after the telephoned Eugene police and told them where he was.

Matthew John Ward, of 1370 High St. N. No. 6, was interviewed and taken into custody on a charge of first-degree assault for allegedly shooting a 23-year-old man in the stomach around 9:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Mark Phillip Turnbull, of Oakland, suffered a single gunshot wound to the abdomen during the confrontation, which occurred on the porch outside Ward's residence. Turnbull was taken to Sacred Heart General Hospital, where he remained in serious condition Wednesday night.

Detective Sgt. Rick Gilliam said investigators are still conducting inter-

views to determine the reason for the confrontation and a motive for the shooting.

"It's up for grabs at this point. We're getting conflicting reports on what precipitated this," Gilliam said.

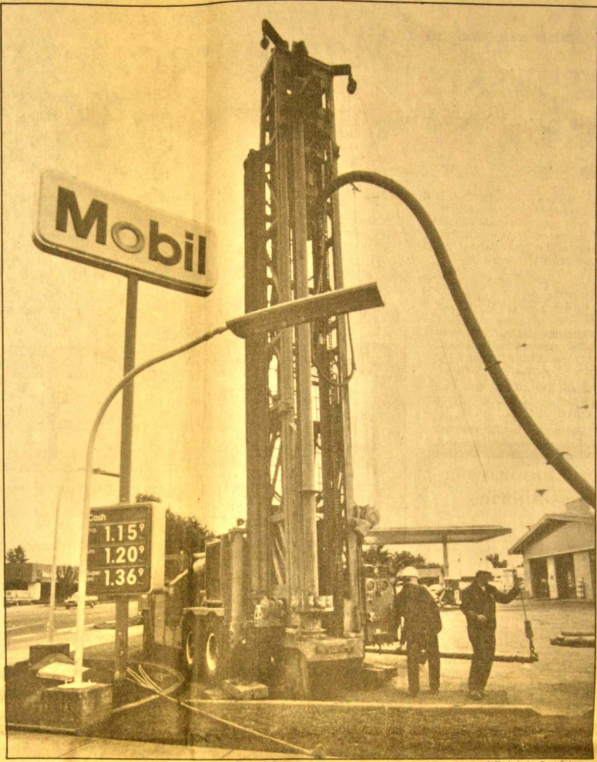
He said it's clear Turnbull and two other people came to Ward's apartment, where they confronted him and two other people. After a short disagreement, Ward allegedly shot Turnbull with a 22-caliber handgun, then fled before police arrived, reports indicated.

"At this point, it looks as though there were no other apparent weapons than the handgun," Gilliam said.

Ward was released from the Lane County Jail Wednesday night after posting \$150 bail on \$1,500 security. He is scheduled to be arraigned Monday.

DEQ officials say it appears unlikely that fines will be assessed against the service station or BP Oil in connection with the accident.

"Fines don't come into play unless they were recalcitrant and refused to follow up with their responsibilities to clean up the site," said Mike Anderson, hydrogeologist for



A leak of hundreds of gallons of gasoline has forced temporary closure of service station at 2900 River Road.

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"until it is cleared up to the satisfaction of the state DEQ."

Cheryll Woods, an environmental analyst with the Salem DEQ office, confirmed that the oil company has notified the state about the spill. A DEQ official was dispatched to the service station Wednesday to evaluate and inspect the accident site, she said.

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the underground storage tank clean-up section of the Portland DEQ office.

"Our main goal is just to clean it up as soon as we can in order to reduce the impact on the environment and the people in the area," he said.

Anderson said that in a large spill, such as this one, the company is required to file a corrective action plan and a follow-up report within 20 days.

Underground tank spillage is not unusual or infrequent in the region, Woods said. Since January 1989, the Salem DEQ office has been notified of 78 reported leaks from underground storage tanks throughout the seven-county Willamette Valley region, she said.

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On the drug store's checking account directly to Patrick Ryan over the past five years.

Dorothy Fritch, the bookkeeper at Thrifty Drug Store, said most checks for pharmaceuticals are made out to the drug wholesaler company, not to the company representative.

Tuesday's search of Ryan's Eugene residence revealed large amounts of prescription drugs and drug samples from various companies, blank invoices for Thrifty Drug Store, more than 100 vials of pneumonia vaccine in his refrigerator and \$6,500 in cash.

Included in the recovery were 25 boxes of medication stored in Ryan's garage and containers of labeled and unlabeled pills, according to court records.

Attempts to contact Ryan for comment Wednesday night were unsuccessful.

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but it's surprising how many people fail to heed it, says Steven Roy, who runs the Sports Injury Clinic in Eugene.

"By far the most common problem is they get too enthusiastic and try to do too much too quickly," Roy says. "They think back to the days when they were in junior high or high school and use that as a model."

Born-again athletes who need to take special care are those who have suffered joint or muscle injuries in the past. Without consulting a specialist first and doing the necessary stretching and warm-up exercises, long-gotten injuries have a tendency to return as painful reminders, Roy says.

Others who should take extra precautionary measures before embarking on a fitness program are people who have a family history of heart disease, especially those with a parent who died of heart failure before the age of 55, said Dr. Gary Glasser, a Springfield geriatric medicine specialist.

Those people should have a complete physical examination along with a treadmill test to find out whether they may have heart or blood complications that would be exacerbated by exercise.

He advises his older patients who want to increase their physical activity just a little bit to participate in water exercises, which are essentially stretching exercises in a swimming pool. The body's buoyancy in the water reduces stress on joints.

For those who do begin exercising, no matter what age, the payoffs can go well beyond physical fitness, Hackman says. Research shows that the body responds to exercise in many ways; food nutrients are absorbed better, digestion comes easier, intestinal problems ease up, and some find it easier to fall asleep at night.

"It keeps body and soul together," Rimon says.

And regular exercise gives you something to look forward to, Hackman says.

"People who don't have anything to look forward to, those people's bodies deteriorate and their spirit deteriorates with it," he said.

## Veterans' 10K road race expected to tie up traffic

Street closures may tie up traffic temporarily in Eugene tonight as runners compete in the 10-kilometer road race, the first event of the World Veterans' Championships.

Pearl Street at East Seventh Avenue and High Street at Broadway will be closed at 6:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m., respectively, for the 7:30 p.m. race. The men's race starts on Pearl Street in front of the Greyhound Bus Station and the women's race on High Street in front of the First Baptist Church. Both races will finish on Pearl Street near City Hall.

High Street will reopen after the race begins, but Pearl Street will remain closed until 9 p.m.

The route will take runners south on Pearl and High to East 19th Avenue, east to Hilyard Street, south on East Amazon Drive to East 63rd Avenue, then north on West Amazon Drive and back to Pearl via the Amazon Parkway.

The northbound lane of West Amazon Drive will be closed during the race, but the southbound lane will remain open to vehicle traffic. The southbound lane of East Amazon Drive will be closed during the race, and the northbound lane will detour at East 35th Avenue to Alder Street.

## Ads feature raisin based on pop star

By SKIP WOLLENBERG  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — It took the California raisins less than three years to go from classic Motown to Michael.

That's Michael as in Michael Jackson, who helped create and choreograph an ensemble of hip, animated clay raisins — including one modeled on himself — for the latest California Raisin commercial.

In the new ad, Michael Raisin and six backups perform a Jacksonesque version of the Motown classic "I Heard It Through the Grapevine." The 1960s-era tune has been played in styles ranging from the original version to rock and gospel in raisin ads for the past three years.

The raisins — including a rapper called Brad and a punker called Flash — appear before a screaming audience of animated strawberries, bananas and other pieces of fruit.

All of the characters are products of the patented Claymotion process from Will Vinton Productions of Portland.

The new ad also features some Jackson-like pyrotechnics and a surprising twist at the close.

The 67-second commercial starts running on Friday in 5,700 movie houses across the country. Sixty and 30-second versions of the ad are to start running on network television in mid-September.

Will Vinton, the chairman of the production house that bears his name, said Jackson had expressed admiration for the raisin characters while he and Jackson worked on a segment for Jackson's recent "Moonwalker" home video.

During a telephone conversation in March, Vinton said they discussed the possibility of creating some fresh raisin characters for a new ad.

Bob Plimney, director of advertising for the raisin board in Fresno, Calif., said he "wasn't at all interested in going out and getting a celebrity endorsement from anybody" but was intrigued by Jackson's ideas for the raisin campaign.

Vinton said he taped Jackson in Los Angeles doing a dance routine for his raisin character and took the tape back to Oregon, where the clay models were built and manipulated for the ad.

Vinton has helped create a half dozen commercials for the raisin advisory board. The first debuted in October 1986 with raisins singing a reworded version of the soulful "Grapevine" song while dancing in a cone line across a tabletop.

The research firm Video Story-board Tests Inc. said its surveys over the past two years have found the raisin ads the most popular campaign on television.

Plimney declined to say that Jackson was paid for his participation in the project, saying only that "money was never a consideration." Jackson reportedly made \$5 million two years ago for a four-part ad campaign for Pepsi.

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