

# Aid

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has chosen not to do that," Wagner said.

The system, which originally cost about \$5,000, is updated twice a year by the company who creates the database, Wagner said.

Independent companies, such as JK Services, also offer financial aid searches. Julie Willison, a partner at JK Services, said they

provide a bound report listing the award's name, sponsor, address and how to apply.

Extras include a financial aid calendar with deadlines for applications, she said. JK Services charges \$49.95 for this source finding service, she said.

Erin E. Campbell (senior-architectural engineering) said she

lives off of loans. She said she first found out about financial aid through an adviser.

Using a commercial financial aid search program had crossed Campbell's mind, but she said she has a problem with spending the money up front, despite money-back guarantees in the event of an unsuccessful search.

"If I've got 50 bucks sitting around, I've got a couple of bills I could be paying," Campbell said.

Between working and studying, Campbell said she does not have time to look and apply for financial aid.

"It's good that they give you the information, but to get the money, you have to do a hell of a lot,"

# Health care

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wait-and-see approach to health care reform.

Betsy Linaberger, press secretary for U.S. Rep. Bill Clinger, R-Pa., said the U.S. House of Representatives will not debate health care until the Senate passes a plan, and if necessary will wait until the next term.

"Health care reform may just be

dead for the year," she said. "By trying to do too much at one time, it will be tough to get all members of Congress to support something."

But Petersen said Wofford would like to see legislators working around the clock in order to produce a health care package as soon as possible.

"We'd like to get something done for this Congress," she said.

Dr. Margaret Spear, director of University Health Services, is doubtful that Congress will be able to achieve such a goal.

"It's extremely unlikely that there will be any substantial health care reform," she said.

Although she thinks some health

insurance reform is foreseeable, Spear said Congress may have missed a golden chance to pass a beneficial bill.

"I think that this was an opportunity for Congress to do something as for changing the nature of health care in this country," she said.

# Crime

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disloyal Democrats and obstructionist Republicans," Dorsey said.

Such a scenario would have greatly benefited the Democratic candidates this year. With the public being particularly concerned with crime this year, a successful Republican effort to kill the crime bill would have given Democratic candidates a solid issue to use against them, Dorsey said.

Robert O'Connor, associate professor of political science, agreed that Clinton may have

difficulty keeping a Democratic majority in Congress after the November elections.

"The congressional majority always loses some ground during off-year elections," he said.

But while a Clinton crime bill loss may have been a boost to Democratic hopefuls, O'Connor said such a defeat would not have helped Clinton advance other items on his legislative agenda, such as his health care proposal.

The idea that a crime bill loss would help

health care pass is "a little far-fetched," he said.

The Clinton health care proposal has been modified in a series of compromises that have become symbolic of Clinton's presidency, Dorsey said. However, Clinton's eagerness to compromise has not helped the President's public approval rating.

But O'Connor thinks health care reform is something the American public wants, and health care opponents are the ones currently offering compromises.

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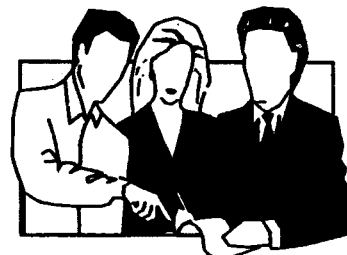
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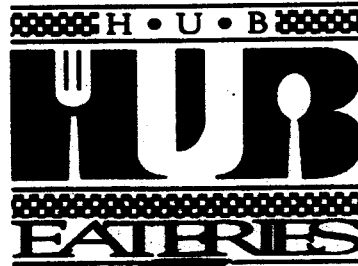
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