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Open House? Let's Decide

RUMBLINGS and grumbings. Rumor. Indecision. Support and counter-attacks. They've started already—and this only the fourth day of fall term.

It's Open House that is "on the spot" again—attacked by some chronic and some new objectors, hailed by old friends and eager supporters.

Open House, we believe, is one of Oregon's best annual affairs. It starts that campus-wide feeling of friendliness so necessary to success of student ventures and government. It is the foundation of the "hello" spirit, time-honored and time-proved.

But, objectors say, Open House was fine when the University was small, and when men and women didn't need to be endurance champions and dance five hours at a stretch. With some 20 organizations from one end of the campus to the other to visit, they say, it's time to shut the door and have Closed House instead.

When traditions have filled their purpose it is only right that they should be set aside. But Open House is not a dead issue yet. Perhaps when the University enrollment touches the 4000 mark instead of the 3000 it will be time for abolition. But not now. Open House is get-acquainted night for the freshmen, renew-acquaintance night for the other students. We need it.

Taking too much in its own hands, the Emerald believes, and acting like spoiled children tired of a plaything, the interfraternity council has twice voted against Open House. When the first vote was taken near the end of spring term, the men seemed dead against the traditional "bunion derby." At a meeting the first of this week there seemed more indecision prevalent, although the vote was unfavorable.

As we see it, the matter isn't up to the fraternity presidents at all, but to the heads of sorority houses to decide whether they will extend the hospitality of their residences to the men students for one evening.

Let's hear from them.

Our Guest From Italy

INTERNATIONALISM is a great concept, one which we all talk about at one time or another during our college career, and in which we, or at least certain groups of us, show a very great interest when we consider it advisable or the thing to do. Some of us do seriously devote considerable time to thinking about and studying internationalism and the problems confronting the internationalistic ideal of complete concord among all nations and mutual sympathetic understanding.

As a gesture of their interest in internationalism and the promoting of its ideal, the Associated Women Students have brought Miss Nella Roster of Florence, Italy, to the campus for this year. Miss Roster is registered in the law school, and, significantly, is specializing in international law. She intends to practice law in her own country when she returns at the end of her year here.

Great treaties and pacts leading to greater international peace can be made only by great statesmen skilled in handling national affairs. The work they do, however, is only the consummation of the efforts and attitudes and opinions and desires of the people whom they serve. Behind each succeeding treaty and pact is increasingly greater public opinion demanding peace. This public opinion, which eventually will become "international mindedness," is created through greater intercourse with peoples of other nations. Only through actual contact with foreign people can we understand and appreciate their point of view, and perhaps realize that ours is a small, bigoted attitude.

The part American students can do to bring greater "international mindedness" is not in making treaties and pacts, but in getting the international point of view—the point of view of the people we call foreigners. With the oft-mentioned improved methods of rapid communication, opportunities for this are being thrust in our faces.

With the presence of Miss Roster on the campus this year, University students have a perhaps unequalled chance to acquire a little of this "international mindedness." The problems, hopes, and conditions of Italy she knows first-hand, and she is only too glad to talk with American students and answer questions about "her Italy." She has particularly interesting comments to make on Italian student life. Her remark that "Mussolini is wonderful; you Americans are only jealous," may seem humorous to us cynical inhabitants of the United States, who are quite sure we know all about it. Perhaps we don't.

At any rate, make an effort to meet and know Miss Roster. With an attractive personality and a very keen intellect she is well equipped to help, through her friendships with American students, some of the problems of internationalism.

Another Year Dawns

OLD faces and new . . . cheery "hellos" . . . registration . . . pledge pins and ribbons . . . bigger, brighter green lids . . . 8 o'clocks . . . the libe . . . shady campus lanes . . . the mill-race . . . fall rains and sunshine . . . and we start another year at Oregon.

It is a year that because of Old Man Depression is destined to be a tough one, but at the same time a year that will see the University progress because students, faculty, and administration will unite so willingly to work out common problems.

Following custom, the Emerald again sets down in its first issue for the year, its aims and policies. The Emerald is the official student publication, and as such it will always work for the best interests of the student association, supporting policies that are worthy, pointing out flaws as they are found in the consideration of new ideas.

The Emerald policy will be a fearless one, ever seeking to be fair, just, and helpful, presenting unbiased news and interpreting it later through the editorial columns, and mirroring student opinion on questions of vital importance.

The Emerald is behind Oregon always. It is confident that its leaders, both faculty and student, are of the best. While our views may not meet with campus-wide approval—and who can imagine university students all of one mind—they will be the product of sincere, serious consideration. In this spirit we enter another year with and for the University.

LAME DUCK

Hello, everybody—and other manifestations of welcome and great glee.

We notice that this year the campus is greener than ever. The change in Frosh lids will probably save the felt manufacturers from a hard winter.

Oh, well, we like 'em with their increased prestige—we don't have to wear 'em.

And, by the way, many old friends are with us again this year. For the benefit of the new students, may we formally introduce the following old-timers.



Above is the earnest countenance of Mr. Diehard, the poor soul with the inferiority complex. He's always planned to shoot himself—but even that takes a certain amount of poise and self-reliance.



Then there's Hank de Rat, the little boy gangster from Chicago. This is his third year with us. Yes, he's a Sophomore waiting for his J. C.



Above we have pictured the cast-off companion of our friends in Corvallis. For the time being he is touring the country, spending some time with his Eugene admirers. How bully!

The remarkable thing about some people is that they actually resemble the photographs on their U. of O. identification cards.

SONG DEDICATION
To the freshmen, since rush week is over. "The King Isn't King any More."

And that goes for a good many Queens, too.

Then there's the frosh who doesn't believe in paddling . . . but he hasn't been up the Mill Race yet.



Frosh Pledge (speaking of alum who recommended him): That guy must have been from Texas—he gave me such a bum steer.

RUSHEE
She Thought: What a dumb bunch this turned out to be.

She Said: "Yes, I come from Centerville." "Yes, I'm going to major in English." "Yes, I've had my physical examination." "Yes, Eugene is a pretty town."

The Sigma Alpha Mu's like their Frosh big and husky. It means "more" behind the pledge pin.

Kappa (at house meeting): "I say, Janice, did you have to dance with that ugly customer from Goshen."

House President: "Tush, Tush, Betty darlin', don't you say such things. No customer is ugly in these times."

New Pledge (timidly, to house president): "Excuse me, sir, but

are you reading that Emerald you're sitting on?

Which reminds us—we have another bounceable rubber set of false teeth to offer this year as a reward for the best suggestions on how to make Lame Duck better.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

All members of Pi Sigma are requested to meet in room 107 Oregon this afternoon at 4.

House managers' meeting, 4 o'clock Thursday, room 110, Johnson hall.

Crossroads—Meeting tonight, usual time, usual place. Paper—Wayne Morse, "Problems of Discipline in a State University." Important business, food, thought, and attendance.

Members of the University band will meet at McArthur court at 10:50 to play for assembly. No uniforms.

Band will meet in uniform at barracks at 6:45 P. M.

Pi Sigma, Latin honorary society, will hold a meeting this afternoon at 4:00 P. M. in room 107 Oregon Hall to fill any vacancies in office, to elect new members, and to outline the program for the coming year.

Anyone interested in working in the A. W. S. office please call Nancy Suomela today at the A. W. S. office.

A. W. S. Executive counsel meeting today at 7:45 P. M. in the A. W. S. office at McArthur court.

FOREIGN SCHOLAR CONTRASTS CAMPUSES

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said, "and you have so many things at the same meal. But your coffee—it is too much like tea! In Italy we make it much stronger and it is very good."

The new arrival's hobby is skiing. "In winter, in Italy, we go in groups to enjoy the winter sports, but to get to my mountains we must travel all day long. I love snow, and I love to ski, although I am not an expert. Here, yet, I have found no one who loves to ski. Why is that?"

Her smile faded into a worried frown. "I am afraid some of our people who have come to live in this country are not very good representatives. They are not pretty. In Italy I know many girls who are beautiful—like statues!" And then, in speaking of the American woman tourists, she added, "When they visit our museums or galleries they act as if they were bored and say, 'Oh, I am sleepy,' but if someone says there is going to be a dance they are very bright and anxious."

"I do not enjoy your American newspapers." The newcomer was determined in her conviction. "The sentences are so short, so simple, and they do not say very much. They try to make fun of one or to say something funny when there is no reason to. In Italy the journalists write so fine—such nice sentences. They are proud to see how nicely they can write. It is so different."

Nella again assumed an expression of worry. "May I ask something?" she said. "What is it to pig? Pig—that is not a very nice word. What does it mean to pig?"

An explanation, though brief, satisfied the interested newcomer. She laughed and drew from her purse a notebook and pencil. "Now I must write that down," she said.

Student Autoists Requested To Use Parking System

Students owning and driving automobiles are asked to observe the new parking areas which have been marked off with yellow paint along University street to McArthur court and in the area west of the Administration building, in a statement issued by George E. M. York, University superintendent of grounds and buildings.

There will be no campus policeman on duty this year to direct traffic and see that cars are parked properly in these areas during the rush hours, so the parking of vehicles so as to utilize the minimum amount of space will be left to the individuals. Cars are to be parked at right angles from the curbing in the area from Fifteenth street to Eighteenth street on University.

Improvements made on the campus during the summer period include the completion of the tennis courts east of the men's dormitories, and the erection of a new roof on the grandstand at Hayward field. The ground about the new Campbell Memorial building has been seeded with grass and landscaping work carried on there. A new roof is being put on the journalism building also, and part of McArthur court remodeled to accommodate the newly installed A. S. U. O. offices there.

Wesley Group Offers Two Sunday Meetings

University students will be able to enjoy two interesting meetings every Sunday at the First Methodist Episcopal church. The morning topic will be "Discovering a Personal Religion," led by Frederick K. Davis, author and psychologist. The Wesley foundation,

Methodist organization of college students, will discuss "Facing Campus Life and World Problems with the Spirit of Christ."

The series led by Mr. Davis at 9:45 Sunday mornings is to be impersonations of Biblical characters. This same series was given three years ago, and was so well liked that it is being repeated. The first one of the series will be October 4.

Wallace Campbell, junior in sociology, will lead the first meeting of the Wesley foundation Sunday, October 4, when the members will discuss "Joe College, Right or Wrong." The devotional hour commences at 6:30, but every Sunday at 5:30 there will be a social hour. According to Margaret Atwood, president, every one is invited to come early and enjoy both the social and devotional hours.

Dr. Harry B. Yocom New Zoology Head

The botany, zoology, and elementary biology classes in Deady hall have been reorganized since the retirement last spring of the head of the department of plant biology, Dr. A. R. Sweetser, for 28 years a member of the University of Oregon faculty, and are now functioning under the guidance of Dr. Harry B. Yocom, formerly head of the department of zoology. The classes were consolidated to facilitate their operation.

Assisting professor Yocom, Dr. Ethel I. Sanborn, professor of plant biology, supervises the work of that department.

Although the present enrollment of underclassmen in the school of biology is much less than that of last year, the number of upper classmen enrolled is nearly four times as great, according to Miss Sanborn.

Approximately 60 students are enrolled in botany classes, 500 in the zoology classes, and 250 in elementary biology.

University Loses Old Friend After 21 Years Labor

Nearly twenty-two years of service for the University of Oregon ended yesterday for John Larson, campus gardener.

Mr. Larson is 72 years old. During his 21 years and four months of mowing lawns, raking leaves, and trimming shrubbery, he has grown to love the campus as if it were his own property. "It seems just like leaving home," he said. "I have no place to go."

Less than 600 students were enrolled in the University when Mr. Larson began his employ here. Only eight buildings were on the campus. He has seen the number of buildings increase to 37, and the number of students to nearly 3000.

Mr. Larson has two sons. Arthur, who had been captain of the track team in 1921 and 1922, graduated from the University in 1923. Cedric attended Linfield college at McMinnville two years and is now at Stanford. Mr. Larson lives with his wife at 1454 Emerald street.

Law Dean Speaks at Oregon State Bar Meet

"The Changing Trends in Law School Education" was the subject of the talk given by Wayne L. Morse, dean of the law school, at the meeting of the State Bar association held in Marshfield last Friday and Saturday. The talk dealt with the standards of the legal profession.

Carleton E. Spencer and Charles G. Howard, professors of the law school, attended the meeting with Dean Morse.

Prof. Spencer, who is a member of the jurisdiction committee of the association, presented the report of the committee in the absence of the chairman, A. A. Smith, of Baker. The majority of the committee favored the appointment of judges and the giving the supreme court power to make rules of procedure. As no action was taken the business was carried over.

Financial assistance was voted to maintain the Oregon Law Review, the organ of the association which publishes the proceedings each year. Prof. Howard is editor of the publication.

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