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## Let the Rules and Authority Run the Show

EVERY once in a while, in the spring of the year, when election besets the campus, some most interest goings-on take place. Yesterday, in this category, something apparently went wrong with an election.

First to feel the reaction was the Emerald, which as the official-newspaper of the University and its students has the job of reporting what goes on.

Reaction to the election, as far as the Emerald was concerned, took the form of swarms of rival politicians milling about Emerald offices, with highly colorful and conflicting peremptory orders as to what the Emerald should do.

HOWEVER, regardless of the smoke screen set up, and in keeping with its established policy this year of being fair beyond a shadow of doubt, the Emerald decided to continue to stick by the rules. Against all the rival claims the word of Verdi Sederstrom, ASUO first vice-president and therefore official handler of such elections, was the criterion by which the situation was judged.

Verdi Sederstrom declared last night that while there is an apparent irregularity in the election the figures would stand until otherwise established by the student judiciary committee, supreme court of the ASUO. If to Verdi Sederstrom it is a legal election until proven otherwise, the Emerald cannot in reporting the course of events go farther than that.

The Emerald will continued to report the course of events with cold and thorough impartiality, but such reporting will be done through legally constituted authority, not through contact with intensely partisan self-offered advices, regardless of party affiliations. The ASUO student body officials, the dean of men, and the judiciary committee should offer sufficient authority.

## They Will Be Missed--or--The Army Wins Again

WHEN the army air board, the first in history with power to grant appointments on the spot, swooped down on the campus Monday in a great silver bomber and started signing up University young men for Randolph field it met with immediate and widespread response.

Seven men passed the examinations the first day; by the end of the second day 20 had made the grade, and by Wednesday night the score had run up to 47. In all, 53 had been accepted when the board climbed back into the bomber and departed into the clouds again.

THE board is gone, its work done. But the hole it tore in the University's two upper classes of men will be very much in evidence long after the board has gone its business-like way.

Fifty-three upperclassmen, whose service is effective either in May or in September, are no small part of the flesh and blood of the University. Physically the board selected the fittest, the very cream. On the mental side, two years of college or more gives the army good material.

Many of the Greek houses were particularly hard hit, some losing more than half a dozen, including even a house president or so, besides unknown other potentials. Athletes, YMCA men, ROTC officers, independents, even "Eight-ball" Jack Bryant of Emerald column fame—all these classes are included in the army's take.

NOT all these successful applicants will see service, for a few will not go, never intended anything more than a thorough, free examination. But those who do not go will be a minority; the majority are interested, and they will go.

The exodus to Randolph and March fields will not begin immediately in any case, and it is late enough in the year so that it will make little difference when the migration does begin.

But any time something like three per cent of all the men on the campus pick up and leave for other fields their going is going to leave its mark. And when the percentage of the upper class represented is considered, the result is even more impressive.

## Behind the 8 BALL

With JACK BRYANT

We've got 'em beat. It was a terrific battle, but they finally gave in. The grass-digger-uppers ARE GOING TO PLANT GRASS SEED on the ground next to Chapman hall. They are not going to dig up the grass next to Gerlinger or anyplace else and move it. They are going to go domestic and raise a family of little grasses, right on the spot!

Next most important news is what happened to one of our ace dirt-digger-uppers. Says he, quote, "I was walking by the Igloo single handed when some guys grabbed me, shoved me in a line of studes, put four bits in my hand, and said, 'Buy a class card and vote for our bloc.'"

"But Brutus was an honorable man" . . . with plenty of salt.

The thing that was worrying the Ed Activities board last night was a little problem in mathematics. Somehow, they couldn't make the total number of sophomore class voters that they checked, equal the number of votes cast. "That's simple," explains the office cat, "Some of them voted twice."

Well?

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Oh, So?

Bill Ehrman wants a date for the Chi Psi house dance, Janice Gifford is going to the Phi Delt house dance with Martin Luther and vice versa. . . . Frances Abrahams had a Phi Delt pin planted by Wilbur Whitliff. . . . The Kappaz had formals for their house dance, the theme? circus. Decorations? balloons and punch. . . . The Pi Phis and Phi Delt's celebrated their victories at The Trees last Wednesday. . . . Janet Reig's brother, Joe, is going to the A Chi house dance with Sue Faulkell. . . . Pat Nelson, that very cute Pi Phi frosh, unhung her

DU pin the day after. "A slight misunderstanding." . . . Betty Anderson is going steady with Gordy Benson, at least. Phi's Rita and Max claim Gordy phored with a hanging that puts Betty on the "Taken" list. . . . "Gordy isn't wearing his pin is he?" they cite as evidence. If he wears it today, it's in self defense. . . . Bert Barr's interest in Betty Milne is causing buzzings.

Last January I was a man, today I am a cadet. This means one J. Bryant has a fair chance of getting into an airplane and learning to fly it, at the Uncle's expense.

It all means the realization of a dream, hazy at first but now clearing up rapidly. First learn to fly, a trainer, then a pursuit ship, an observation plane, then a big bomber. Drifting around in the clouds with that flying battleship will be the ultimate. A quick trip north to Eugene with a good supply of bombs, a battered old wooden building on the corner of 11th and Alder, a dive, the bomb release.

Uncle Sam will have to forward the Kappa Sig mail.

Two University of Oregon baseball players are off the lineup due to injuries. Lloyd Beggs was released from the infirmary where he was confined with a broken foot.

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### Campus Calendar

All members of Portland newspaper survey party will please meet with editing class at 9 this morning if possible. Dan Clark II will be present to give instructions.

Anyone interested in attending the Corvallis sports day, May 4, must sign up by noon today.

The Orides' and Yeomen moonlight hike for Saturday night has been postponed.

Oregon State's batterymen, John Leovich, Glenn Elliott, and Clayton Shaw, watched the last WSC game.

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