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## At Home

THIS is an institution of student government. We know—it says so in the student body constitution.

But for a long time, the lack of a center for that government has undermined its true worth to ASUO, and because there has not been a nicely-furnished center of student body activity too many members of the school have scarcely realized that this thing called the ASUO exists. The women's organization, AWS, has suffered a similar plight. They haven't even had any place to file their letters except in Prexy Betty Buchanan's dresser drawer.

The action taken by the executive committee yesterday, designed to actually centralize student government in the ASUO offices in McArthur court is a step toward greater things. It is entirely possible that if this office becomes a beehive of activity a larger and better-equipped one may be financially possible for future student governors.

President "Tiger" Payne will have a regular secretary, Vice-President John Cavanagh and Secretary Harry Bergtholdt will both have desks . . . and AWS will have a file.

THE advantages of such a plan are manifold:

(1) Student government meetings and committee headquarters will have a regular place to be organized.

(2) ASUO and AWS official correspondence will have a definite place to be filed, and will thus be unified for information purposes.

(3) Such a system will provide a better and more stable agency of contacting interested students.

(4) The executive committee will not have to hold its meetings in campus cafes . . . which is a present inconvenience.

(5) The office staff to be organized will provide around 10 workers a year with closer contact with student leaders . . . in other words, will broaden the activity field.

True, the office is small and will be crowded if it becomes too active. But if a small office staff can be effective and really do some good organizational work . . . that will be proof that a larger, pleasanter office would be worthwhile as a beneficial addition to student facilities.—H.A.

## Another Honor for Oregon

SECOND in a field which included most of the major colleges and universities in the nation. That was the award brought back to Eugene yesterday by the delegates of the University of Oregon chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national journalism fraternity, who returned from the twenty-fifth annual convention in Des Moines, Iowa.

The only chapter to rate higher than the Oregon group was at Northwestern in Illinois. The ratings were made on a point system for determining the efficiency of the chapters. National officers and professional men in the journalism field made the selections.

The award brought national recognition to the Eugene fraternity for its work in the journalism field. The members of Sigma Delta Chi are chosen on a basis of interest and work in journalism. They supposedly represent the top undergraduates in journalism. The Oregon chapter's rating of second in the nation not only speaks well for members of Sigma Delta Chi, here, but is another tribute to the University and the school of journalism.

The school of journalism—although refusing to take full credit—has been recognized by many authorities as one of the outstanding schools of its kind in the nation. The award made to the Oregon chapter of Sigma Delta Chi somewhat confirms their judgment.

## Student Prank?

LAST Saturday morning Oregon students who happened to walk through the women's quadrangle noticed, with mingled emotions of amusement and disgust, that campus pranksters had scored again—this time upon the pioneer mother. A bucket of yellow paint had been poured over the pioneer mother's head and had run smeamly down the whole statue. On the base of the statue had been painted in huge green letters "44."

Whether the freshmen are responsible for the act can, probably, never be accurately determined. Probably it doesn't make much difference who is responsible for the deprecation, for such an act cannot be called by a milder term.

Now we don't mind if playful freshmen decide that in the interest of school spirit they should paint the senior bench and thereby issue a lusty challenge to the special privileges of the upperclassmen. Such uproarious behavior is probably the college students' heritage and far be it from us to deny them this privilege. But, after all, isn't it going a little too far when students must besmear with paint a symbol of motherhood?

The pioneer mother and the pioneer father are an invaluable part of the Oregon campus. They are landmarks. They are closely interwoven with Oregon traditions and will undoubtedly be remembered by Oregon students long after many of their experiences on the campus have been forgotten.

Of course, the paint didn't stay there long. Campus painters went to work at once to remove the work of the "vandals" but the damage had been done. It was an act unworthy of an Oregon student. Let us hope that nothing similar ever occurs again.—H.O.

## I Want to Know About Conscription

Will my boy friend be exempt if I have his pin?

From the trivial drivel, expressed above by one coed, to the profound ram the questionnaires in The Emerald's survey on selective service last week. Reduced in number by consolidation with other affinitized questions, the following indicate undergraduate queries on the chief topic of today's conversation.

**What is the purpose of selective service, in general terms?**

Volume I, Selective Service Regulations, answers this. ". . . to secure an orderly, just, and democratic method whereby the military manpower of the United States may be made available for training and service in the land and naval forces of the United States . . . with the least possible disruption of the social and economic life of the nation."

**Are married men exempt?**

Men of draft age are not exempted if married after a given date (expected to be some time between September 15 and October 16). However they are in Class III, "deferred because of dependents." A dependent is defined in the Selective Service Regulations as "the registrant's wife," in one instance. Not only must this dependent be a United States citizen but she must depend "in fact for support in a reasonable manner . . . on income earned by the registrant by his work in a business, occupation, or employment."

**How long are college students exempt?**

Assuming a college student means one who has "entered upon attendance in a college or university. . . for the academic year 1940-41, and before January 1, 1941. . . and is in substantially full-time attendance . . . and is there a bona fide student pursuing a course of instruction which the . . . university requires to be satisfactorily completed as a requisite to conferring degrees in the arts or sciences. . . "—if that is meant—a college student shall claim deferment until the end of the academic year 1940-41, at least not later than July 1, 1941.

**How long is the procedure to continue?**

As approved by the president, September 16, 1940, 3:08 p.m., E.S.T., the act, as far as we are concerned, shall become inoperative after May 15, 1945, ". . . unless this Act is continued in effect by the Congress." (Quotes from provisions of the act: S. 4164, third session of 76th Congress.)

**What method will be used in drafting those who become 21 a week or a month after the registration period?**

Subsequent registration dates will be de-

ecided upon and announced by Director Dykstra at which time such will be registered, later classified and selected, later possibly inducted.

**How will selective service affect enrollment in universities and liberal arts colleges in September, 1941?**

Who knows? Barring a state of war, one might guess that many students without being drafted may enlist voluntarily and in that way serve their time. That's only one speculation, however.

**Will those boys taking junior and senior ROTC be called?**

Such a student is not required to register under the provisions of the Selective Service Act. Should he drop out of advanced ROTC, he would be required to register. Should he remain in such military classes until receipt of his commission as a second lieutenant in the officers' reserve corps, he would become subject to army regulations.

**Senior law school students: if drafted before the state bar examinations in July, would the desire to take such examinations be sufficient cause for deferment until after such examinations are taken?**

July is eight months away. The regulations do not say senior law students will have such deferment. There is nothing to prevent a law school student body or its seniors from pleading for such deferment.

**How many numbers will be taken in Oregon the first year?**

Again, who knows? At present so many volunteers have presented themselves for service that one may hazard this guess: no one will be conscripted until next summer. Maybe not then should the number of present voluntary enlistments be any criterion for the future.

**I am a CAA flight student, 20 years of age. If I enter Randolph Field, will the draft get me?**

As a flight cadet at Randolph Field, you will not be subject to the draft during the continuance of such training.

Many other questions of lesser importance remain unanswered because of space limitations. One might well remember the words of Director Dykstra in a statement made November 9: "The test is the welfare of the nation and the community. Although individual hardships should be dealt with in each case with the greatest consideration, sacrifices are expected of everyone, and the fact that a little more sacrifice is asked of some than of others is inevitable."—R.N.V.

## From All Sides

Exchanges by Corrine Lamon

### Swing With Santa Fe

Excerpts from a column on the University of California special train trip to the Cal-USC game: "That train trip was rugged to start with. 'Swing and sway with Santa Fe—17 hours' as someone commented. And rallies at every five-minute stop and five minute stops every five minutes. . . . And then there was the Biltmore operator who woke people up in a cherry voice with 'Good morning; nine thirty; temperature 61; would you like to be called again?' That was Saturday morning, Sunday, the temperature was 62. . . . One of the better cracks of the whole weekend came from the lad who figured he's had eight hours sleep in 61 hours. 'You know, statistically, I'm VERY tired,' he said."

—Daily Californian.

### Anti-Football Ordinance

Three University of Washington students were arrested for violating a city ordinance—playing football in the street. "You have been warned many

times. . . . We cannot issue the ordinance with every football sold in the city," the judge said. One paid the \$5 fine—the other two spent a night in jail. —University of Washington Daily.

### Land of the Free

A taxi driver, while parked at the curb, was accosted by a lady. "Are you free?" she asked. He raised his calm, old gray head and answered, "Madam, as Plato said, 'No man is free.'" —Daily Texan.

### And P.S.—

Breathes there a man with soul so dead who never to himself has thought about doing anything for it, like gargling or something?

### Dear Ma

I spent the \$15 you gave me at the beginning of the quarter to use as a fee when I got tapped by Phi Beta Kappa. They don't take freshmen. Elmer —Silver and Gold.

## In the Editor's Mail

To the Editor:

Homecoming week this year revived a number of old traditions that created a great deal of enthusiasm and school spirit for the continuance of these customs.

Many of us are of the opinion that a school cannot have too many traditions because it is through these aides that we build up school spirit. Oregon, as we all know, does not have that certain unity among its students that every university and college should have. We have a certain amount of it, of course, but not as much as we should have.

Those of us who are interested in seeing Oregon as a school with a great deal of spirit have this suggestion to offer:

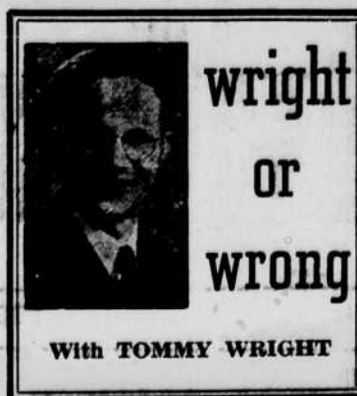
As soon as the whistle has blown on the last quarter of an Oregon vs. Enemy football game and Oregon has won the game,

the entire student body section should immediately cross the field and serenade the losing team.

This tradition has been carried on for many years in universities and colleges in the south. They say that it has helped to build up their school spirit and at the same time to break down hatred between schools. Naturally, when a winning team consents to serenade the losing team their sportsmanship seems to rise in the eyes of all. At the present time many older people and also many colleges aren't too sure that we are very good sports.

Let's show them by adopting this new tradition, what a powerful and unified school we really are and at the same time take a big step towards displaying more school spirit!

Eleanor Soderstrom



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With TOMMY WRIGHT

Wright or Wrong, we make our suppositions and jump at our own conclusions. If you read it with the same conclusions, you'd better get your mind out of the gutter.

THIS WEEK . . .

Five gals from Oregon Aggie Cow-lege; a Kappa, 3 Gammas and a Waldo dorm coed invaded the Oregon campus and did Williamette park with the Theta Chi boys. One of the Gamma Phi girls went to corn valley sporting Bill Rickman's pin.

AT THE CAL GAME . . .

Alpha Chi Janet Goresky misses the Cal game to watch an Oregon State end named Johnny lose to Stanford. . . . Paul Bocci, Bill Fugit, Kern Storil, Frank Bosch, Bob McDonald, and Pete Lamb in a merry pugnacious mood offering to take on an equal number of Cal rooters. . . . Erling Jacobsen of the Kappa Sigs, pacing the lobby of the Palace hotel like an expectant father, waiting for Sue Cunningham, Alpha Phi. . . . Sue stood him up until eleven just one-half hour before closing time for the football players. . . . Buck "Scoop" Buchwach, Scooty Wilson, and Doc Henry really covering (the city) . . . everybody was at the pre-game rally at the Pink Hat. . . . among everybody was Prexy Tiger Payne, yell king Earl Russell, Bud Vandenynde, Bill Friewald, Helen Howard, and Edith Borda. . . . Jim Gleeson, Sigma Nu, and Jean Baker doing the spots together. . . . hinted that the two skipped over to Reno and visited a judge. . . . and from the two, a denial. . . .

OVERHEARD . . .

Something about some of the girls at the Kappa house not getting to be bridesmaids if Bette Morfitt and SAE graduate Chuck Coffin have a secret marriage this year. . . .

3 MINUTE POME . . . My poetry smells, they say, But I don't give a darn. If they don't like the Wright way

—Hey! What rhymes with darn?

WHISPERS IN THE DARK

It's Frank Herbert one weekend and Tom Watts the next for Adele Say, Hendricks hall. . . . Brian Thompson, Canard club with AOPi Donna Williams more than once. . . . Betty Phillips with Harold Handshuh. . . . Anne Brown whispering over a cup-a-cawfee with Dick Philippi of the Phi Deltis. . . . Betty Jane Biggs, AOPi adds a Delt pin with Ray Schrick on the losing end. . . . Carl Reiter and Anita Galton make a 30-day compromise to get some studying done. . . . Frances Cox, Pi Phi, wishing the profs would take it easy on assignments so she could have some more spare time; for what? . . . Lulu Palf gets a lei from the boy back home in Honolulu. . . . Lorene Marguth of Hiland house with an alum from OSC. . . . Bill Hilton with a brunette at the Skinner performance. . . . The "Little" man of the ATOs keeps the telephone lines clear for La-Grande and Seattle. . . .

CONCLUSION . . .

When WRONG comes, Can Wright be far behind. Jean "Blonde" Pietarila of Hen hall won't be back at school next term because of a marriage ceremony. . . . Roberta Buckingham takes an ATO pin from the lad at Stanford. . . . Alvera Maeder goes noble with a family crest pinned somewhere.

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## International Side Show

By RIDGELY CUMMINGS

Pacifists will gain cold comfort from the speech John L. Lewis made to the CIO convention yesterday. The occasion was President Roosevelt's call for a "just and honorable peace" between the A F of L and the CIO.



Cummings

The amalgamated clothing workers union, one of the unions in the CIO, suggested that "exploratory negotiations be resumed with the AF of L peace committee."

Lewis takes the rostrum: "Now comes the piercing wails and lamentations of the amalgamated clothing workers and they say 'Peace, ain't it wonderful!'" His voice, according to Bill Lawrence of the United Press, dropped to a contemptuous pitch as he repeated this column's theme song.

Then Lewis, who is adept at playing the organ of mass emotion with all stops open, thundered on—"Peace—and there is no peace. There is no peace because you (the CIO) are not yet strong enough to command peace on honorable terms. No, and there will be no peace until you possess the strength and sinew to bargain on equal terms."

For John Only

From reading that statement it is evident that the only kind of peace John L. Lewis will go for is one that he dictates himself.

We don't blame the CIO for refusing to dissolve its unions and go back into the AF of L piecemeal. Industrial unionism is the next evolutionary and logical step after craft unionism and it would be a step backward to dissolve the big unions that the CIO has built up in the mass production industries.

But it is a shame, in our opinion, that the settlement of costly jurisdictional disputes—arguments over who shall collect the dues and not over wages and working conditions—should be dependent upon the agreement of a couple of windbags like William Green and John L. Lewis.

Where Is Democracy

The fact that these two men exert such an influence over American labor makes one doubt if there really is any democracy in the labor unions. It appears as if these two have retained their power through bureaucratic and the spoils system.

In spite of the fact that Lewis has resigned as president of the

Congress of industrial organizations he still remains the dominant figure in the CIO because of his control of the united mine workers union, the largest and wealthiest union in the CIO. Any president elected at this convention will probably be a Charlie MacCarthy sitting on Lewis' knee.

In the President's Footsteps Philip Murray, Pittsburgh labor leader and already CIO vice-president, has declined the honor but may follow Roosevelt's example and allow himself to be "drafted."

Because Bruce Hammond, one of our most faithful critics and a self-admitted imperialist, has complained that we don't have enough "international" news in this space, we make brief mention here that Birmingham, great industrial city in the heart of England's midlands, suffered a terrific aerial assault last night. Fury of the attack was said to equal or surpass that which devastated Coventry last week.

There is not much that can be said about these mass air raids, unless one gives the gory details. We hate to read about them and have no editorial comment to make except that war is hell and peace is wonderful, even if John L. Lewis does disagree.

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