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NOTICE TO VETERAN STUDENTS

I understand that the Veterans Administration is making a special effort to encourage the reinstatement of thousands of National Service Life Insurance policies which World War II veterans allowed to lapse at the conclusion of military service.

If you are one of those who allowed his policy to lapse, a call to the Veterans Administration contact office in Eugene at 41 West 8th Street or Room 110, Men's Physical Education Building on the campus, will provide you with complete information on how it can be reinstated.

For your own protection and the future economic security of your family, I urge you to check into this matter. You have only until August 1 to reinstate your policy without a physical examination.
H. K. NEWBURN, President,
University of Oregon.

Educational Activities

When it is considered that about one half of the business of the educational activities board is concerned with the major campus publications, the Emerald and the Oregana, it seems somewhat unreasonable that no member of the journalism faculty is included on the board.

Estimated annual income from the Emerald and the Oregana totals \$40,600, about half of the total educational activities income. Expenditures for the Emerald and Oregana total over half of the annual estimated expenditures of the board. Emerald and Oregana editors and staffs are usually journalism majors, and most of the problems which they bring up to the board are of a journalistic nature.

Only once annually, when the new editors are selected, does the board invite a member of the journalism faculty to "sit in," in an ex-officio non-voting capacity.

Years ago the educational activities board usually included either the dean of the journalism school or a member of his faculty who represented him. This year the voting faculty members on the board are from the history department, the law school, and the music school. Although the ability of these men to decide on any matter which comes before the board is not questioned, it does seem unreasonable to expect them to be as qualified to deal with the Emerald and Oregana as would be a man who is constantly in contact with their staffs and their problems.

This always brings up the question of the actual usefulness of boards as such. Unlike the record of the defunct athletic board, the record of the educational activities board is excellent. Nevertheless, it is a fact that the board members do little more than to approve or disapprove the business on the agenda prepared by the manager—a function which could be satisfactorily performed by "expert" advisers called in by the manager to discuss any matter on which they are particularly well informed.

The ideal situation probably would be something like this: All educational activities would be handled by a director who would be responsible to the president of the University alone, but whose responsibility it would be to obtain "expert" advice from qualified men in departments related to the problem at hand. This method of handling educational activities would undoubtedly expedite matters by doing away with scheduled board meetings. Furthermore, it would not obligate board members to become haphazardly informed about everything from orchestra uniforms to new Emerald news editors.

There is always the possibility that students would feel slighted because they had no board to sit on. Actually, the student members of the board this year have made no tremendously momentous decisions. Whatever information they have contributed to board meetings could have been just as easily gathered from students by an educational activities director.

We recommend therefore:

That the president consider the appointment of a member of the journalism faculty to next year's board as a voting member in order to insure "expert" advice on matters pertaining to the Emerald and the Oregana;

That the eventual substitution of an educational activities manager for the board be seriously considered for the reasons given.

Flora Furrow

A hand
Absent of flesh,
The product of a commercial artist for a steel cable ad,
Scooped up a quantity of earth,
In the year of Copernicus,
Kneaded it
And thrust it back at the ground from a high-flying B-29.

The hole in the side of the world was beclied.

No one knew what to do.

Mr. Hutchins spoke. Mr. Oppenheimer spoke. Mr. Ferni spoke. Mr. Einstein spoke. Mr. Conant spoke. Mr. Compton spoke. Mr. Truman spoke. Mr. Stimson spoke. Mr. Bernard Baruch spoke.

And Mr. Viacheslav Molotov spoke back.
The problem had been solved by many minds before:

Rousseau: Thinking man is a de-praved animal.

Spengler: Man is a beast of prey.

Marx: The economic factor is the strongest, most elemental, and most decisive.

And Robert Burns: A man is a man for a' that.

These thinkers had only poured oil on the water.

But a modicum of research data had been made available

For possible future reference

If there was any future to refer to.

Pavlov had rung bells and flashed lights.

Freud based theories on case studies.

Conscientious Objectors were subjects to experiments concerning the effects of nutrition and fatigue on morale.

How long has life been earth, Dr. Risley? When did Homo Erectus emerge, Dr. Cressman? What is the relation between natural resources and a developing society, Dr. Moore? Define the place of government in this development, Mr. Cahill and Dr. Ganoe? What part does ideology play?

What is the physiological basis of an ideology, Dr. Taylor and Dr. Soderwall? Explain how economic situations, and beliefs are connected, Dr. Morris, Dr. Wood, and Dr. Leeper?

Tell how education, linked with geography, determines industrial development, Dr. Huffaker, Dr. Gilbert, Dr. Breen, and Dr. Stovall? What other factors are involved, Mr. Parsons, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Beck, and Dr. Townsend. And to what extent are each involved—Anyone?

Are Farnham and Lundberg right in relating the use of force and the home? How does foreign policy depend on public opinion, Dr. Dull? What IS foreign policy? What per cent of public opinion is pure reason and what per cent is emotion, Dr. Taylor, and Dr. Schumacher? What determines percentages?

What is the relation between reality and perception, Dr. Tyler and Dr. Breen? Under what conditions is mass fear fostered, Mr. Myers and Dr. Moore? What are the sociological, economic, psychological, geographical, historical, educational, and political differences between a democratic and a totalitarian community?

Who has the scientific formula for the collective hand?

Telling the Editor

ABOUT THE "FREE AND RESPONSIBLE" PRESS

Not so long ago there was a conference of "men-who-should-know" from all over the United States. They were supposed to make a review of news reporting and newspapers and prepare a statement as to how good it all was, and how free. TIME magazine was disappointed. Most of the newspapers cried out in self defense, for the statement the committee issued was, in effect, that newswriters are not good writers, that the press is not "free" but controlled by monopolies, and the editors are not living up to their admittedly high code of ethics.

They may or may not have been right. My argument is not with them, but I wanted to say that had they included in their report a statement on the Emerald, they would have been wrong on any of the accounts named. If those are indeed sicknesses of the American press today I don't believe there could be any better remedy for it than the training of such newspapermen and women as turned out of our colleges by papers such as the Emerald.

I have noticed many times that the Emerald has published not only news, but a variety of items that in my opinion could be classed as literature. This letter was really brought on by the editorial in your April 5 issue entitled "Renaissance." I don't believe I have ever read a more stirring piece of writing in any newspaper. It may be that what the writer has to say in this article has been said before; it may be that it is not good writing; I say it may be so. I doubt it. I believe that this is not only good writing but good newspaper work. I believe that the Emerald is to be highly commended for this and for other similar articles it has printed and will, I am sure, continue to print. My personal feeling to the Emerald is thank you very much.

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Side Patter By BOB WHITELY

The biggest crop of liars in the history of Oregon returned to the campus Sunday night after a weekend of eager trout chasing. The stories were wide and varied . . . like a detailed report of a sneak date . . . and it seems as if all the big ones got away. Several of our well known politicians after a night of revelry preceeding the dawn, swore up and down that there is a huge 40 foot monster with pointed ears and an armored tail swimming in the McKenzie, and the fool thing won't bite on single eggs. Lake Creek proved to be a veritable Hollywood and Vine with state cops directing traffic on every rock, and there were so many boats on it it looked like a log jam. Best story of the weekend . . . concerns big babu John Schaefers . . . the owner of the local snake pit. John spent days in preparation for opening day . . . tying flies, oiling his rod, etc., etc. . . took his boat all the way down to Lake Creek . . . put the speaker of the House of Representatives in the back end and took off. From sun-up to sundown . . . they tried everything but a shotgun, and finally wound up with two dinky specimens about 3 1/2 inches long that had died of natural causes. Mr. Schaefers tried to ease out of of his visible embarrassment by stating that he had to row the boat for the speaker of the house, but knowing Genial John . . . I figure that the speaker was behind the paddle. Just ask him about his prowess as a fisherman . . . might give you a free coke. The law school's Jack Hoffman entered the nimrod's hall of fame by hooking and landing a fighting carp for his first fish of the season. He wins the Side's award of one "gilt-edged purple shaft" and a cedar float. The Frosh Glee was quite a hoe-down, and congrats to the new Skull-Duggery pledges. The lighting committee done themselves proud. The lowly b.a. school had better get in shape for the shy-sters for the "Big Game" this Saturday. "Glassarm" Weener and 9 other cronies from the school of (Please turn to page seven)

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