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Proceed as Directed

Tonight a handful of the student body (we hope more) will witness the formal ceremony of nomination of ASUO and class officers for next year. Dress rehearsals have been quite successful; both political factions, the ASA and the ISA, have already announced the names of their candidates. Each party has nominated half as many candidates as there are positions. This, together with the preferential system of voting, insures that everyone will get a prize. All candidates will get some kind of position.

Nominations, campaigning, voting—all merely formalities. And it all seems a little ridiculous.

The only really bitter struggle is over the ASUO presidency. But after all, the party that loses the number one spot gets the first vice-presidency. And that's almost all-coast.

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We agree with the editorial Lyle Nelson wrote for the Emerald in 1941. He said:

With only four candidates running for the four positions the election would be a mere formality of marking the ballots. With more than four candidates the voter can pick the four that he considers the best qualified for the various ASUO positions. . . . A straight bloc election on the basis of whether a man is an Independent or a Greek is almost certain to involve politics of the kind that aren't exactly to be called clean. With more than four candidates—with a chance to vote on the basis of a man's qualifications and ability—the election should be more fair.

In '41 another candidate did enter the race. It was Theta Chi Jim Frost, Emerald business manager. He was supported by men like Nelson, Dick Williams, and Wilbur Bishop, who believed he was "honest, well-qualified, and had the welfare of the University at heart."

Jim Frost ran against Independent Bob Calkins and the Greek bloc's Lou Torgeson, Beta Theta Pi.

What happened? We understand that on election day it began to look as though Frost, who had, of course, "bolted the bloc," was winning. Naturally, the election was declared illegal. ASUO President Tiger Payne had objected to the use of educational activities card as identification.

Said Nelson:

Self-evident was this one fact: to an overwhelming degree students were fed up with the bigotry of being told how to vote, with machine politics, and with bartering activities.

From early morning it became apparent that Oregon students were voting as they wanted to. That wouldn't do, thought the political leaders—something must be done. It was done. . . .

After a suitable interval during which the machines swung into operation more than ever, the election was held again. This time Torgeson won.

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We had hoped that this year someone would enter the race for president on his own. We thought, for a time, that Tom Hazzard would. But enough people were scared, enough people were convinced that the 1941 fiasco would occur again, that Hazzard was persuaded to "forget it." He was told that he was through.

We don't know what will happen at the assembly tonight. Chances are everything will go according to schedule. But we are still hoping that someone had the fortitude to break loose and give decent government a chance on this campus.

Outstanding Oregana

If there is anything that indicates that the University is returning to "normal," i.e. pre-war ways of doing things, it is the new and wonderful Oregana.

Roy Paul Nelson and his staff are to be commended for their good work. Faced with shortages of paper and all the post-war printing problems, the Oregana personnel produced a yearbook with surprisingly few errors.

We'd be willing to lay two to one odds that the 1947 Ore-

gana will be awarded All-American honors in the long-standing tradition of such outstanding books. It has already won unanimous campus approval.

A fitting tribute to the photographic craftsmanship of J. Warren Teter, who has left the University, are the brilliant spectacle pictures in full color double-truck: the fraternity houses on the cover, the baseball team in action, the art school, the Junior Weekend floats.

Best of all we like the features: the photographic introduction, the photo contest, the personality section, the "what the campus wore" section. These show originality as well as appreciation of the factors which make Oregon peculiarly Oregon.

Effective and amusing are the cartoons by Roy Paul, Mel Van Lom, and Dan Mindolovich . . . there are so many good angles it is difficult to single out one really outstanding feature that distinguishes this Oregana.

We have only one suggestion: Sometimes, as in the case of Emerald write-up this year, the stories are inaccurate or misleading. Future Oregana staffs might do well if the stories were checked with the students most likely to know the facts: This would eliminate any possibility of a few sour notes here and there.

Flora Furrrow

Note: the following opinions are those expressed by Horatio B Smuts and Abdul Ahmed A'mer at one of the local pubs and do not necessarily reflect the thoughts of the writer.

Horatio: Hello, Abdul Ahmed, did you read where Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown university, has stated he doesn't think all those who receive bachelor of arts degrees are educated men?

Abdul Ahmed: What is an educated man?

Horatio: That's a good question, son. Margaret Mead—just happened to have it here someplace—says in the Encyclopaedia of the Social Sciences that "the purpose of a total educational process . . . may be defined as the assimilation of each individual to a cultural tradition."

A. A.: Yeah, but what's an educated man?

H. Didn't you understand? One who's assimilated—into the cultural tradition, that is. "The great accumulation of knowledge and techniques in a society with a written tradition, a huge population and an extensive division of labor makes the educational process impinge differently upon members of the growing generation." This article said that, too.

A. A.: Does that mean I can play pinball machines and be just as educated as Harry K. Newburn?

H.: According to this definition, if you're properly assimilated into

a cultural tradition, you're educated.

A. A.: Somehow I don't feel as educated as Harry K. Newburn.

H.: But we said that in a complicated society the educational process impinged differently on members. Don't you think Wriston was referring to some other definition when he said an educated man?

A. A.: What about educated women?

H.: What about educated women?

A. A.: My favorite professor is always saying he wants his students to develop a critical sense.

H.: He's out of his mind. What good is someone who always criticizes? I hate people who always criticize and complain about the food, for example. They never do anything about it.

A. A.: Maybe one should be critical and do something about what one is critical of.

H.: Constructive criticism.

A. A.: You have to know something to be critical that way.

H.: What do you want to be critical about?

A. A.: I don't like the way one of my courses is taught.

A. A.: I had the first part in the army. We learned lots faster and more graphically. Now we get so bogged down with detail.

H.: Since Wriston didn't give a definition of an educated man we'll have to say whether he is right about college graduates and the

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Telling the Editor

ABOUT FACULTY ADMISSION

It has come to our attention that faculty members must pay full admission prices in order to attend all athletic events. Isn't this squeezing the nickel just a little too hard? After all, most of the faculty are underpaid and yet they are expected to attend all such events. Other universities may make their faculty pay admission but does Oregon have to follow the beaten path.

We realize that pressure on the coaches to win games has tended to commercialize athletics at the expense of sportsmanship. If Oregon must commercialize, why stick the poor faculty members who form the guiding hand of our institution? We feel that this practice has been carried on because the students did not realize the faculty was subjected to this cheap practice. We recommend the ASUO be allowed to vote on this issue immediately.

Chet Crockett
Gil Deardorff
Victor D. Viers

ABOUT HEALTH SERVICE

In reference to my letter about conditions at the student health service, (May 17th), I feel it necessary to qualify the point of my statements.

I felt, primarily, that an adequate health service should be provided for students. If this entails additional finances, additional personnel, or any other reasonable help, I feel it should be furnished.

Regarding reference to a student who was ill last spring I find on further investigation that there was some doubt about his illness, but that eventually it was correctly diagnosed, although treatment was given in Portland.

In short, it was not a letter directed at those who are presently there, but rather directed at the conditions that will not allow students to benefit from a full measure of health service.

Bill Lerner.



Side Patter By BOB WHITELEY

A big pop gun salute to Roy "Cool Water" Nelson and his staff for turning out a swell Oregana . . . in the words of the man on the street, "they done good." In musing thru the slick pages, Little F. Grenfell of the pink palace gang, appeared all over the area . . . smiling . . . smirking . . . and "look at the birdie" poses. She wins the chocolate-covered peanut award for being the most photographed gal in the book. Stop the presses . . . ring dem bells. . . . The gal with the blonde locks and other attributes announced her engagement last night before a fireside at the Gammaphoo house. Sally Timmens has a hunk of ice on her third flinger left hand that would put your eye out, and it's from Figi Fran Thorn. Seventeen thousand hearts were crushed about the campus. The Deit house is in a gay mood of late as aging George Kikes definitely announced that he was going to Mortar Board on his own hook this year. He's been taking out rushes sooooo long on this annual event he can hardly contain himself, and knows every high school in the state. Bud Jermain creaked another year closer to the man with the sythe yester-
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By DALE HARLAN

Thomas L. Karnes, veterans training officer at the University, wants to remind all veterans under Public Law 346 (the G. I. Bill) that the subsistence check they receive at the end of June will only contain pay for the first 13 days of that month. All veterans planning to attend summer school are reminded again that they should pre-register on May 26, 27, 28, or 29 and then report in to Glen Sweeney at the dean of men's office on June 18 or 19. If this procedure is followed the veterans under P. L. 346 will receive the balance of their June pay sometime in July. If this is not done it will be assumed the vet under 346 is not going to attend either summer session and his training will be automatically interrupted. The procedure for those veterans under Public Law 16 is somewhat different.

Letters have been sent to all vets under Public Law 16 and the VA office at room 114, men's physical education building, requests that the information asked for be supplied either in person or by mail on or before Friday, May 23. If any veteran under P. L. 16 failed to receive one of these letters he should report to the above office on or before this coming Friday. Public Law 16 veterans who plan to attend the first session or all of summer school will not have their subsistence pay interrupted if they respond to this letter and pre-register as requested. In fact, Karnes stated that if the vets under P. L. 16 meet these conditions they, un-
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