

## Honor System? Ha!

Are Oregon students mature enough to put the honor system into successful operation?

This question was mulled over on the campus last spring, and though nothing concrete has yet been done to put the honor system into effect, interest in it has been maintained.

Now something has happened on the campus which makes the possibility of putting the students on their honor look more unlikely.

Miss Elizabeth Findley, reference librarian, reports that current issues of magazines have a habit of disappearing from time to time. And this habit has grown particularly since periodicals were put on open shelves where they are available to all.

No longer is it necessary to ask for each magazine individually; they're all within easy reach in the second floor periodical room.

Convenience was the sole purpose of putting the magazines on open shelves, but a greater inconvenience has resulted from it.

It's mighty unhandy for the slaver over the term paper who has found a good current reference to tie in, when he finds that the magazine he's looking for has just disappeared.

And it's downright disturbing for the librarians, when it comes time to bind a year's supply into volumes, when some of the issues are missing. The binding simply has to be delayed until a replacement can be secured.

Right now they have a whole roomful of magazines waiting for the missing ones to be filled in. Meanwhile, anyone who wants one of the other issues of the year must be told that they are unavailable until they have been bound.

The people at the library are not complaining; they're not grumbling because things are not in perfect order.

They expect a certain amount of magazines to be misplaced or damaged. But they're just a bit disappointed that the students can't respect public property.

When next you feel that sudden urge to carry off your favorite reading material for closer perusal, just remember — the Golden Rule is still an acceptable philosophy. J. G.

## Let Us Spend Your Dough

Yesterday, election day, was peaceful in one respect. There was no high pressuring from liquor advertisers because nobody could buy the stuff anyway.

But the day before, November 1, the men with the hot ideas and the copy pencils were working full scale. That was when many persons received their first veterans checks. Advertisers took advantage of the fact, and dangled allurments via radio and newspapers before the newly flush vets.

Celebrate the arrival of your check, exclamation point, they said. Come to Club Blank, dance and dine. Or: Stock up now on the candied ginger you've been deprived of for two months. We have it in all degrees of hotness.

It's a vulture attitude: the arrival of \$100 from the estate of your deceased grandmother would not be safe if the hucksters learned of it.

That's one of the more dismal things about Christmas being less than two months away. The Christmas advertising onslaughts will begin any day, now, that Halloween has become history.

And then Thanksgiving must be wedged in. Thank the Lord that a new stock of radio's has come in today, exclamation point. Buy now, exclamation point.

Editorial FILLER

JUST TO PROVE that the Emerald can laugh at itself, here are some choice items gathered from yesterday's issue: The Sophomore Whiskerino publicity took a beating. Said the Emerald, "He asked the cooperation of house presidents to insure that all sophs grow bears." "Again, on Page seven, "There are 1542 sophomore men enrolled now. A survey revealed that about one-third of these are electric razors." Poor fellows!

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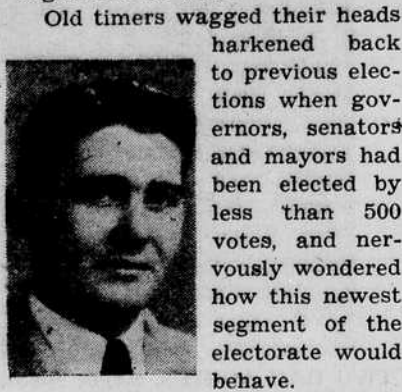
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## Lau of the Press

# Yes - - Your Vote Was Important

By LARRY LAU

Last spring the University of Oregon caused a disproportionate amount of consternation among politicians when 2200 students registered to vote.



Old timers wagged their heads harkened back to previous elections when governors, senators and mayors had been elected by less than 500 votes, and nervously wondered how this newest segment of the electorate would behave.

As it turned out, approximately 70 per cent registered Republican, except for a few issues their opinions were normally di-

vergent, and there were no extra close contests the students could be said to have decided.

Perhaps yesterday was different!

All day Tuesday the precincts abounding the University were crowded with voters . . . a majority of them very young voters.

On most issues campus opinion varies as much or more as that of the townspeople . . . but on some, the 2200 were of like mind. Was the Webfoot vote influential?

At this writing the polls are still open; the results won't be tabulated until very late this evening . . . but.

Downtown sources hint at a very close mayoralty race between Hawn, Johnson and Newman. Because of his pro-millrace activities, Mr. Johnson undoubt-

edly caught a majority of the Webfoot vote. We don't know who won, but if it was close . . . the Webfoot vote was important.

Political experts give the liquor-over-the-bar bill very little chance of passing. These same experts concede that what a man says in public is very often at variance with what he marks on his ballot. Although improbable, it is possible that the liquor-over-the-bar question could be a close contest. Unblushingly, students have often reaffirmed the desire to be given a chance to vote on such an issue. In a close contest . . . the Webfoot vote was important.

The veterans bonus bill, under intelligent attack from papers like the Oregonian and the Register-Guard, is important to the student electorate. Its opponents claimed the bill was ill-drawn . . . maybe so. Both the pros and the cons have seemingly good arguments. If that particular measure should draw a 50-50 vote over the state . . . then the Webfoot vote was important.

A student of last year, Dale Harlan, was running for the state legislature. Mr. Harlan is a Democrat in a Republican county, but the voters were allowed to "vote for three." We've no doubt that Mr. Harlan can thank quite a few students for voting support. Contests for the legislature are traditionally close. If this election follows tradition, Democrat or no . . . the Webfoot vote WAS important.

Campus sentiment indicates the students favored all the annexation measures, and they even tempted fate by voting for erection of a new jail. A lot of people in Eugene were lukewarm to cold about the annexations, and equally as many thought the present jail was an architectural masterpiece and should be preserved. Was the count close? If so . . . the Webfoot vote WAS important.

The list is an imposing one, one this "bit" needn't tackle in its entirety. The voting part of the student body should be aware of the praise and admiration directed towards the University as a direct result of student participation in the various elections. Right or wrong, this kind of intelligent interest speaks well for campus inhabitants. Civic leaders would be more than pleased if the average citizen showed the same kind of interest.

## Four PE Profs Return from Trip

Four faculty members of the health and physical education department returned to the campus Sunday after attending a two-day session of the Western Society of Physical Education for College Women, held at Asilomar, California.

The group left Eugene Thursday by auto, and were the official representatives of the University of Oregon at the meet. Dr. Margaret Poley, associate professor of physical education, led a discussion on correctives for college women. Her companions were Janet Woodruff, also associate professor of physical education, and Jeannette Masilionis and Josephine Newbury, instructors.

The society discussed topics in various areas of physical education for women.

Don't hunt for trouble, but look for success.

## From Where We Sit

# Beginning -- New Kind of Column; What Our Honoraries Think

(Editor's Note: Today this page begins a new policy of opening its columns to University service organizations. From time to time we will accept columns written by authorized spokesmen of any campus service honorary. We make but one demand. The group must have SOMETHING WORTH SAYING. Arrangements for columns should be made at the editor's office in the Emerald Shack.)

By the DRUIDS

"From Where We Sit" might well have a sub-title of "As We See It." Because that's what this column is going to be, a commentary and criticism of the campus as we see it. A point should also be made that the opinions expressed under this by-line may not always coincide with those of the Emerald's editorial page, or with official University stands. This column is written by The Druids, the junior men's honorary, and will be a reflection of the opinions of the group.

The idea that prompted this column was the notion that the student body was looking for a sounding board, a method of criticizing when criticism was needed and a place to applaud when applause was merited. This column is going to supply such a sounding board.

As the weeks go by, the column will probably be weighted more heavily with constructive criticism than with "well done's." That is our basic idea, to suggest and criticize, as long as the criticism is constructive and so long as it is aimed at the general good of the University. The scope of the column will develop as the idea develops. There is just one thing that this column will not be, and that is a stone for grinding axes, personal or otherwise.

In the past couple of weeks we have noticed two actions that certainly should be pointed out as steps in the right direction.

One of these was the letter written by Howard Lemons explaining the WSC seating arrangements. The basic situation, not enough for good seats for both home and visiting rooters, could not have been foreseen by the athletic department. It probably can't be solved until some future Leo Harris invents a stadium with nothing but fifty-yard seats.

When the situation did arise, it was smoothly handled by the

athletic ticket office. The best point of all was the letter explaining what had been done for the WSC students and, even more



## Howard Lemons . . . Gets Orchids

important, why it had been done.

The student body has always felt that if actions by student officers, University officials or directors of student affairs were more fully explained, much hard feeling would be eliminated. There have been many such misunderstandings in the past. Usually they were cleared up when explanations were forthcoming. Why not get out the explanations before the misunderstanding arises, as Howard Lemons did, and turn the energy expended on grumbling to better fields?

Step No. 2: There were lots of disappointed faces as students searched the list of eligibles for OSC tickets, but there wasn't a general cry of "unfair to me" as has arisen in the past.

It took the executive council a long time to take the lottery step, but when they did it was a good one. The members have been criticized for holding back tickets for themselves, but the overall lottery plan has met with student approval. The idea of having an athletic department official supervise the drawing was also a good one.

All of which goes back to step No. 1, the elimination of misunderstanding through explanation. A simple statement from the exec council as to the "why" of the withheld tickets should have accompanied the lottery plan.