

Writer Tells Trials, Tribulations Of Life of Co-op Worker

By Fred Young

Signs of the times

The phone rang anxiously. The clerk in the co-op office lifted the receiver and patiently answered. A replying voice eagerly inquired if the approaching all-campus dance is formal, and are corsages in order? A polite "I don't have that information" was returned by the clerk, as she chalked up another "typical" question that has been asked of the University co-op employees by the near-sighted student body.

When Life magazine inflated its price to twenty cents recently, a large sign telling of this price increase was placed by the cash register. However, there were few students who wouldn't quickly pick up a Life, read the sign, and then inquire of the cashier, "Is Life twenty cents now?"

The stationery department time and again must remind students that stationery departments do not sell postage stamps. Nor do they have the often inquired for dance and football tickets, or Piggers' Guides. Just mostly stationery.

The co-op cashier will put up a ten dollar check limit sign when funds are running low. However, the sign never saves her the trouble of saying "No" to the holder of the eleven dollar check. And the plain "No Checks" sign which appears as a clue to the fact that the cashier has run out of money, still leaves the great many of us from Missouri to ask, "Are'n't you cashing any checks?"

And there is the one cautious coed who made out her checks to "payable" in compliance to the sign which states "Please make

checks payable to the University co-op."

Bad checks, and there are always a few bouncing around the cashier's window, are consistently claimed to be the "scheming" bank's error. Although, the bank will very readily answer to its checking errors, only one in a hundred has to.

The clerks report that invariably the letter-writer will plunk down

a quarter and ask for seven three-cent stamps.

And when the cashier's window is closed, blocked off by a huge cardboard sign which reads "Window Closed" and only leaves the cashier's eyebrows in view, the student will rise to tiptoe and earnestly inquire "Are you still cashing checks?"

The familiar counter next to the co-op's front entrance was intended to deal primarily in school supplies. However, the clerks are still trying to find the "Information" sign which they feel must be in their presence. Across the entranceway from this counter, the

receptacle for the OSC game lottery was placed under a large sign which pointed out the relationship of this receptacle to the student, the OSC game tickets, and the large sign.

But there remained the uninformed few who inquired of the school supply clerks, "Where is the receptacle for the OSC ticket lottery?"

And when the list was put up adjoining their counter, still many found it easier to ask, "Where?"

Then they tried to buy their tickets with their school supplies. And, finally, there were those that asked the bewildered clerks, "What do we wear to the game?"

But, the oldtimers will find the last laugh on them. There has been a large sign posted in the co-op warning veterans of the late deadline to get supplies on the GI Bill. However, the vets are still coming in, looking at the warning sign, and then seriously questioning the clerk, "Does that mean me?"

Williams Back From Colorado

Dick Williams, Oregon's student union director, returned Sunday from the three-day twenty-sixth annual convention of the Association of College Unions at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Over 90 schools and colleges were represented by 270 delegates. Williams was on a committee which made recommendations concerning dance band inequity of fees and breaking of contracts.

The next meeting will be held in Boston although an invitation was extended by the western schools to have the meeting on the west coast.

Poverty is the common fate of scholars.

Great politeness usually means, "I want something."

Seize Canal Locks



A Russian tommy gunner (foreground) inspects curiously a detachment of British military police (background) posted to guard the locks of Charlottenburg canal in the British sector of Berlin in a move to keep barge traffic from being impeded by Russians. Russians had ordered lock-keeper to bar craft not having Soviet approval. British use canals to distribute airlift supplies. No clashes resulted from seizure. (AP Wirephoto)

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE — Spinette piano for balance due. Write Credit Dept. Wills Music Store, Salem, Oregon 122

LOST—Clear rimmed glasses without case Tuesday. Vicinity campus. Clay Myers 6620. 127

LOST — Ronson Adonis cigarette lighter Friday at the "Side." Return to Gordon Ihmle, 715 E 16th Ave, 4170. Reward. 124

FOR RENT — Nice room for one woman. Across from Journalism "Shack." Inquire 1205 University. 126

FOR SALE — 1936 Chev. coupe. very good condition. New paint, new motor 1947. Recently overhauled. 5 good tires. Call or stop at Harold Woods Texico Station, Broadway or Pearl. 126

FOUND—Parker '51'. Darrell Larson. Ext. 322. 124

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