

*A Rose is a Rose***New Constitution: Chance for Concrete Expression***by Mortar Board*

Within the next week, a new ASUO constitution will be placed before the students for their approval or rejection. This will replace a constitution that has been outmoded by the natural progress and development of the University. It will give the students of the University of Oregon an opportunity to express their progressiveness and initiative. Under the framework of the proposed constitution, the students would be given a greater and more representative voice in such matters as will concern the legislative, judicial and executive departments of the new student government.

This document represents weeks of hard work on the part of the student committee and faculty advisors who drew up the constitution. They examined constitutions from many colleges and universities on the West Coast; and along with advice and suggestions from faculty members, administrators, and student leaders, they formulated a document which will best fit the present and future needs of the University. This is not a rigid structure, but one which would accommodate any changes and developments which may take place within the structure of student

government.

The proposed student government would consist of legislative, executive and judicial departments. The legislature would be in the form of a senate, composed of the president and vice-president of each class, two class representatives elected at large from each class, and nine members at large. This would be the main organ through which student opinion would be transmitted. It would formulate policy, ratify executive appointments and perform other usual legislative functions. The student body president would preside over the senate.

The executive council would consist of a president and vice-president who would be elected by the entire student body, various *ex officio* members such as the president of AWS, chairmen of the Student Union board, publications board, and other leaders in campus activities. Its main function would be to serve as a correlating body for student activities, and to realize questions and problems for the senate to take action upon. The president would also preside over the cabinet.

At present the judiciary consists of the student traffic court; but it is hoped that a broader grant of

power will be given to this court, when student responsibility on such matters has proven worthwhile.

Faculty representation is generally in an advisory capacity and it has definite benefits. The first of these is a broader perspective divorced from political considerations; second, it would act as a bulwark for student government to fall back upon in matters which they are incapable of handling; and third, it will foster mutual respect and cooperation within faculty-student relations.

We, the members of Mortar Board, feel that the students owe their thanks to the faculty members and students who contributed their time and interest to the project. We also feel that this is an opportunity for the students to give concrete expression to their oft-heard complaints and gripes about the lack of student voice in administrative and governmental affairs within the University.

It is necessary to have only two-thirds of 50% of the student body to vote in order to pass this constitution, and if there aren't enough students interested to do so, then perhaps there is no justification for such a constitution as this.

Members of Mortar Board.

Review of the 'Preview'

Our guests have come and gone.

We can now attempt again to creep up on studies, neglected for too long. We can breathe more freely in less crowded rooms. We need not worry about giving geographical directions, getting dates for visitors, loaning toothpaste.

High school seniors—689 of them registered—have had their first glimpse of Oregon during Oregon's first such weekend for both males and females. (Reasons for the drop in number from more than 1000 seniors anticipated are not known. But we found that at Oregon State, where more than 2000 guests were expected at one time, an "estimated" 1500 showed up. What the exact figures are, we haven't yet been able to determine.)

The weekend kept us busy. It also kept the seniors busy; all programs arranged for them were well attended, from the Voëvil Friday night to exchange dinners Sundays in living organizations.

Our feeling now is like that of the host or hostess who feels great relief at having no more responsibilities that go with entertaining guests. But also like the same host or hostess, we want to feel that our hospitality was pleasing, and that our visitors enjoyed every minute of it.—A.G.

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Many Kappas were seen in the Co-op one day last week rushing up to every student they could, grabbing their ASUO cards, and hastily filling out a ballot for their Miss Fashion Plate candidate. Which all goes to show, "campaigning" helps, as seen by the balloting results Grace Hoffman, Kappa, won.



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*In the Bag***ISA Charges Intramurals Discrimination***A Letter*

Dear Mr. Editor:

At a recent meeting of the Independent Students Association a motion was made to the effect that ISA go on record as censuring the discrimination shown against campus independent organizations in the intramural golf and tennis schedules by the Physical Education department, and that a letter be drawn up and sent to the Emerald, exposing this discrimination to the campus.

Each schedule is a single-elimination affair which means that a team is eliminated the first time it is defeated. In the tennis schedule of thirty-eight teams entered, twenty-two are fraternities and sixteen are independents. In the first round twelve independents are entered, six thus being eliminated. No fraternity teams are entered in this round.

Consequently, nearly one-third of the to-

tal independent teams are eliminated in the first, the fraternities all passing the first round hurdles with byes. The second round begins with thirty-two teams, both fraternities and independents pitted against each other, but there are now twenty-two fraternities to sixteen independents, it is now twenty-two to eleven.

The result is that an independent team has an even less chance of surviving, not because of competition but because of bias in the schedule making. The golf schedule is nearly identical.

The P. E. department claims no discrimination, saying at first that the teams were drawn from a hat. This statement was amended to drawn from a hat, "figuratively." Later, they changed to the admission that the first

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*Just Stuff***Junior Weekend Queen--Brief Glory***by Vic Fryer*

With the naming of the 10 finalists for Junior Weekend Queen, we are reminded that Junior Weekend is drawing nearer and nearer—the last one for most seniors—and still no canoe fete. Perhaps the class of '50 can consider itself in the class of "born 30 years too soon (or too late)."

Speaking of Junior Weekend and the Queen, I wonder if the juniors will follow the old practice again this year of concealing her identity until the last minute. It seems only fair that when a girl has the beauty and talent to be elected to reign over one of the biggest campus events of the year, her moment of glory shouldn't be restricted to one brief weekend.

Why not spread it over a longer period of a week or two climaxed by the coronation? Both the Queen and the students who elect her deserve more than a brief flash of her glory before she is tossed back to the anonymity of being just another coed.

Congratulations go to Larry Davidson and staff for getting the Oregonian out so early this year. It should be out, according to predictions, about two weeks before finals begin. That's quite a difference from last year's August delivery caused by the lithographer's strike in Portland. We'll even get a chance to

reminisce with friends while the memories are still fresh.

In considering daytime student assemblies for next year, I wonder if the executive council has thought of asking the University to set aside one hour a week—free from classes—for meetings of student groups.

Other schools have found this to be a good policy—even our next door neighbors to the north. The Aggies have every Wednesday at one o'clock for student assemblies, class meetings and meetings of other student groups. No classes are scheduled for that hour to avoid having students miss lectures, and to eliminate the tendency of some instructors to lower the grades of students who miss classes to go to meetings.

Here at Oregon, the one o'clock period on Thursday would seem to be the best hour for such a plan as it would least interfere with student's and instructors' schedules. A Wednesday hour would cause the changing of too many MWF classes.

Such a plan would also leave the Tuesday one o'clock period for scheduling these single lectures you get in some of the two-hour courses—those that now get scattered about at such hours as four o'clock Monday or eight o'clock Tuesday.