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One Vote, Multiplied by Many

Some unthinking bystander put a thought-provoking question to a potential Oregon voter the other day. Let's stop and consider—but, no, first let's set a few things straight once and for all.

The Democrats and Republicans spend a small mint on pre-Nov. 7 electioneering.

In St. Louis, Truman says to the people that a vote for isolationism is a vote for national suicide.

In New Haven, Conn., Stassen says to the people that appeasement of Chinese Communists now is costing U. S. forces their heaviest losses.

Down South candidates are kissing babies, standing on the cabooses of streamliners to tell farmers about the Brannan Plan, and pumping the hands of the country folk who get to town only twice this year—once for the fair and once to vote.

Who are Truman and Stassen and other candidates talking to?

They're talking to you, my friend—to you—and me. Now for that question. It was: "Are you one of those people who thinks your vote counts?" Come now—don't you? T.K.

Because a Ballplayer Leaves

"Tail wagging the dog" would truly be the case if the men's fall term rush and pledge program was to be changed because of freshman football players' unhappiness over the living-in plan.

But a little investigation has shown that the basic argument about the football players given to Interfraternity and Interdormitory Councils was not true.

The councils were told that "two freshman football players have already left school and many more are unhappy."

The only way this can be corrected, the councils understood, is to rush and pledge the first-termers right away instead of waiting until winter term as the dormitory-fraternity men compromised last spring.

To the root of the question—did those two boys leave because they disliked living in the dormitories without pledging?

"Absolutely not" was the freshman football coach's answer Monday morning. He said a couple of men leave every fall, and it's absolutely false to say that this year's pair left because of the living-in plan or deferred pledging.

Exactly this same information was given the alumni meeting Saturday morning by the director of student affairs . . . "deferred living and pledging shouldn't shoulder the blame for the departure of these two freshman football players."

As for unhappiness of other freshman football men, we need more concrete statements than this. And we just wonder if there aren't one or two unhappy persons on any college campus.

We're not favoring the hands-off policy which kept fraternity men from talking to freshmen. Nor do we believe the entire campus is crazy about deferred living and pledging in this trial term.

But if somebody wants to alter the plan, we'd like to hear his honest reasons for changing.

THE DAILY 'E' . . .

to the professor who said this morning that the student is often forgotten in higher education—and it is the student we should remember.

THE OREGON LEMON . . .

to lagging contributors to the campus Community Chest drive. Only two days of the drive remain.

Three Ayes, One Nay--Emerald

To help the voter understand where to put his "X" on the Oregon ballot today, we'll briefly cover the four measures not previously explained in the Emerald.

WAR VETERANS FUND

A constitutional amendment, it would provide loans for World War II veterans, enlarging the fund by increasing the limits from three percent to four percent of the assessed valuation of taxable property.

It broadens eligibility by admitting to benefits inductees from other states who were residents on date of enlistment or at least two years prior to December 31, 1950.

Emerald vote is 304—Yes.

INCREASED SCHOOL SUPPORT

This measure proposes to levy an annual state property tax to produce \$30 per capita, in addition to the levy previously authorized for \$50 for all the children in Oregon between the ages of 4 and 20 years, according to the latest school census.

Emerald vote is 306—Yes.

AGED PERSONS ASSISTANCE

Purpose of this act is to provide old age assistance to needy persons who are 65 and have resided in Oregon for five or more years within the past nine, and for at least one year immediately preceding the date of application.

Need is defined as not having enough income and resources to afford a life of health and decency. Minimum income and resources, including the assistance grant is fixed at \$50 per month.

Assistance given will constitute a prior claim against the property of any deceased recipient of Old Age Assistance, except a home occupied by the spouse, minor dependent children or parents of such deceased recipient.

Emerald vote is 308—Yes.

VETS' COMPENSATION FUND

This initiative proposes to create a fund from which to pay Oregon residents who served in World War II compensation at the rate of \$10 per month for domestic and \$15 for foreign service with a maximum of \$600 and authorizes a director of veterans' affairs and sets forth regulations and provisions.

It's estimated that the measure will require about 75 million dollars in bonds with interest bringing the total cost up to 90 million.

Emerald vote is 313—No.

Emerald vote on the other five measures was:

Legislators' compensation, 300—Yes; lending state tax credit for higher education buildings, 302—Yes; veterans' fund for loans, 304—Yes; reapportionment, 315—No; sale of advertised alcohol, 317—No; uniform standard time, 311—No.



Re: Hash

Lepers Do Slow Burn As UO Tightens Up

By Bob Funk

Richard Laing says that Merv Hampton's letter to the Emerald protesting deferred living is "... effusive verbosity with no element of empirical investigation" and "... juvenile squawking." At the risk of further annoying Mr. Laing, and landing ourselves in the juvenile category again (we always seem to be loitering there) we will try some effusive verbosity ourselves.

Organized groups supporting the University seem to be in favor of deferred living, all right. We don't know many organized groups. Individuals, however (we know one or two individuals) are doing a slow burn. Not only are we told where and when we may live while at Oregon (thanks to "The Plan") but we are also told how.

It is interesting to note that fraternities and sororities are still allowed to conduct their own chapter meetings and prepare their own menus. This is too good to last, of course.

Possibly it is the thought of the persons who think up these policies that University students are of course essentially irresponsible and morally corrupt. This may or may not be. We haven't made even an element of empirical investigation into the subject—it's just that we rather like people and resent the implications of all these rules.

Putting aside the battle of the University vs. The Moral Lepers, it would seem that the publicity resulting from this intensive regimentation of student life will not do the University too much good.

Not only will athletes shy away—but there will be any number of persons who would rather go to schools where the

student is permitted to make a couple of decisions a week for himself.

Actually things are probably not this bad.

It is just that, possibly due to an oversight, none of the regulations have been justified in the eyes of the student body. There will no doubt, with time, be complete and entirely acceptable explanations.

It Could Be Oregon



"OK, men—watch out for a nekked reverse!"

Letters

The Campus Answers

Card Stunt Review
Editor Emerald:

The purpose of this letter is twofold; praise and rebuke. I want to thank everyone who helped to make the card stunt at the Homecoming game a success.

I would especially like to thank: Don Zavin, Bill Hall, Nudd, Sally Erickson, Larry Ler, Pete Charlton and Kay for all the long hours they put on the stunts. I certainly hope we have the same cooperation on the OSC game in Portland. Up to OSC will not be able to do stunts because of the seating arrangements. Consequently we tend to show up the Aggies some good stunts.

The second purpose of this letter is to rebuke those who thought it necessary to throw their cards after the game were over. I realize the tension was there, but there are many reasons why such action is foolish.

In the first place, those cards cost the University dollars and their loss after the game would be a needless waste of money. Secondly, it is dangerous to hurl a heavy, edged object in that manner. Several people have complained me of cuts, and several brains can be sympathetic with the people since I was one of the victims of the onslaught. So please when we ask you not to throw your cards, don't throw them.

Again, thanks for all the cooperation because the card stunt was very well executed and there were numerous complaints which were made to me to pass to you students, praising you for our fine stunts and excellent spirit.

Chairman of Card Stunt
Bob Brittain

The Second Cup

I would rather sit on a park bench, and have it all to myself than to be crowded on a cushion—Thoreau.

It ain't the things you know that gets you into trouble; it's the things you know for sure that ain't so—Negro Sayings