SU Board Explains Group's Procedure

(The following letter is submitted by the Student Union Board as a result of a recent Emerald story on the attendance record of 72 per cent at Student Union Board meetings.)

Emerald Editor:

Recently the Student Union Board has been subjected to adverse criticism regarding the attendance of members at meetings. Needless to reiterate, everyone but one of those absences has been legitimate. Either classes, faculty obligations, work, or other responsibilities have prevented the absent members from attending. Even though these circumstances have prevailed, they have had little or no effect upon the operation of the Board. Everyone recognizes that perfect attendance is desirable but when circumstances beyond control prevent that, circumspection of the record will attest to whether those circumstances were detrimental or not.

To understand the Board requires a certain knowledge of how that Board originated, how it developed and what its basic objectives are. Since the Student Union is a new edition to campus life, so is the Union Board a new edition to Student government. It is only natural then, that the student body has little comprehension as to its function and nature. Furthermore, it has been the wish of this new organization to become well known in purpose and function to every student. This letter is an effort to help those who are interested to understand more fully our problems and our plans.

Last year the members of the Union Board were chosen from a list of candidates submitted by the school deans to the student body president, first vice-president, and union director. They made recommendations to the President of the university who then made the final apbointments. These people had no experience whatsoever with a Union program or organization. In fact, they did not even have a building. They went into their work with an objective attitude to the problems that confronted them, hoping that through their concerted effort there might evolve a functional organization and program capable of meeting the needs and interests of the University family. Only a base for the future could be constructed for they knew that operating on paper was a lot different-and easier-than operating in a building. They had to proceed on a slow trial-and-error basis in the hopes to integrate experiences derived from other Unions throughout the nation, and experiences from this University into the situation as it exists here at the University of Oregon. Not unlike a new automobile which must be broken in by general acceleration as the mileage increases, the Union organization and program also could not start at full speed.

This philosophy was exercised in all plans of action after Fall term started. Gradual installation of program content and a constant search for better methods of organization were necessary to prevent major mistakes from establishing dangerous precedents which would haunt future Boards. They had no pre-determined criteria for either program or policy. On a touch and go basis as it were, the Board has reached the present stage in its embryonic development. Let us stop and examine

At the beginning of the year, the Board had established six standing committees to which one member of the Board was assigned to advise. This organizational set-up proved to be too inefficient, too involved, to have too much red tape, and to be too cumbersome to handle. That system has been replaced by electing a member of the Board to serve as chairman of the standing committees, or the Directorate as it is called. We also have new committees, running the total up to ten. These committees cover a great deal of program territory, and it is up to the Board to set policy for them and to guarantee a collective moving-forward of the ten component parts of the program. So our organization has developed on the trial and error basis. Even though we have not had perfect attendance, our organization has been termed "the best type in Union work throughout the United States" by Porter Butts. Director of the University of Wisconsin Union. As he is known as "The Dean of Directors" by his fellow workers across the nation, his comment is worth consideration.

Furthermore, since our objective is to furnish a beneficial and enjoyable program for the University family, always with the idea in mind (Please turn to page six)

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Blood Drive Officials Issue Plea for Campus Donors

New Draft Rule Allows Draffees To Finish Term

New draft regulations recently announced in Washington will permit college students called for induction to complete the school year and still select their own branch in the armed forces.

The change in rules is intended to halt the rush of students who term in order to enlist. Previously a draft call automatically indicated that the student was destined for the army since the other services have been obtaining men only through volunteers.

In accordance with the new program, students receiving a draft notice may volunteer for a selectschool term and report when the term is over.

A college student notified of a draft call today will be deferred until March or April and may sign up for the service of his choice. He would then finish his school term before reporting for duty.

The change is effective immedi-

Ray Hawk, director of men's affairs, said in a statement Sunday evening that the new draft changes would very definitely aid in putting an end to panic that has circulated the campus concerning the draft.

"The new regulations will be of great aid to college students in that they will be able to continue their education and still make a selection of the service which they wish to join," Hawk said.

"The new law plus the expected increased quotas and liberalizing of the ROTC program will be an added incentive for students to remain in school," he commented.

Hawk indicated that fewer stuchanges had been known earlier. AWS office.

Everyone Urged to Appear Today at SU to Give Blood An urgent need for whole blood

Points System Will Regulate Co-ed Activities

A "point system" placing an upper limit on women's extra-currihave dropped out of school in mid- cular activities will begin to go into operation this term, with today as nominal beginning date. Aim is to prevent overloads and to spread activities somewhat.

The plan, result of nearly a year's study, has been set up by the Associated Women Students through the AWS activity board. ed branch within the two months A current point value will be aspreceding the last month of the signed to each campus activity. with a maximum number of points allowable per term.

> The plan will go into effect gradually, and no woman student now holding offices or activity positions totaling more than allowable maximum will be required to give any of them up.

> No new activities, however, will be permitted until next term, and then only if the point total be no more than the maxi-

> Any activity carried during a particular term will count on that term's total but not on the next unless, as in the case of elective offices, it carries over.

> Mimeographed lists of the point values of all campus activities and stating maximum allowable points will be given to all members of the AWS activity board, which is composed of activity chairmen of all women's living organizations.

Individual activity chairmen will keep a record of the activities and point totals by members of their groups, and a master list will be dents would have left school if the compiled and kept up to date in the whole blood for wounded men in

for wounded men in Korea and a shortage of donors caused campus blood donation drive chairmen and American Red Cross officials to make the following plea:

ALL students and faculty members, whether they have ever signed a pledge card or not, or whether they have received an appointment card or not, are urged to appear at the Student Union ballroom at any time between 9:30 and 3:00 today to give whole blood in today's blood collection.

With over 7,000 men killed in Korean fighting and over 40,000 wounded, the need for whole blood to save lives in Korea is beyond all expectations, stated Ray Hawk, director of men's affairs. Hawk said that the donation of whole blood for the fighting men in Korea is one of the most vital things that could be done by students at the University of Oregon.

Appointments will not be necessary for those who have not received any appointment card or who have not signed a pledge card. ANY person who has not had infectious jaundice within the past year or has not been inoculated for typhoid or vaccinated within the past month should show up at the SU ballroom, and he will be able to donate whole blood for wounded men in Korea.

Campus Red Cross chairman Donna Mary Brennan stressed that all persons who have appointments should definitely appear for their appointments.

This does not mean, she said, that those who do not have appointments cannot appear. Any student or faculty member will be accepted if he appears at the ballroom today.

Donors are again reminded that they should not eat any fatty or fried foods during the four hours prior to their donation.

With the increased need for (Please turn to page six)

Religious Emphasis Week Opens

Dr. Daniel McGloin

Religious Week **Speakers**

J. Randolph Sasnett and Dr. Robert Millikan are interviewed



Rabbi Leo Trepp



Dr. Harold Case

Dr. Harold Case, newly appointed president of Boston University, will be speaker at this morning's all-campus convocation to be held at 11 a.m. in McArthur Court.

In conjunction with Religious Emphasis Week, Case will use the week's theme, "Certainties in an Uncertain World," as the topic for his lecture. Classes will be shortened to 35 minutes this morning. The time schedule is as follows:

8:00 to 8:35-First period 8:45 to 9:20-Second period 9:30 to 10:05-Third period 10:15 to 10:50-Fourth period 11:00-Convocation

Boston University from a field of vate discussions with any of the 100 candidates. He has been a leading lecturer on over 100 college cial events room on the third floor and university campuses and has of the SU. represented the United States to religious missions in Europe twice. Before his appointment to Boston he was minister at the Methodist ed physicist, will conduct a joint Church in Pasadena, Calif.

Case will be featured speaker at the faculty dinner at 6:30 p.m. ties, Jim McGrath, art gallery ditoday, at which time he will dis- rector of the SU, has assembled cuss "The Changing Task of the from various private sources a dis-University." At 8:15 tonight he play of religious art which may will address a public gathering in be seen in the SU art gallery. the SU Ballroom on the topic "Campus Religion."

Students will have the opportunity to meet Case and other Religious Week speakers during the morning coffee hours from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Monday, Tuesday and Case was appointed president of Wednesday. Students wishing prispeakers may sign up in the spe-

Guest speakers will also be lecturing in some classrooms. At 4 p.m. Tuesday Robert Millikan, notscience seminar in 207 Chapman.

In line with the week's activi-

Early morning services of the (Please turn to page six)