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The Campus Hangover

They're gone. The Rotarians, we mean. The street by the Student Union is no longer reserved for Rotarians; everybody can schedule meetings in the SU, and the University has once more lost its tourist-haven-atmosphere. All right, so maybe these things aren't pleasant for students on the campus Monday and Tuesday. Minor inconveniences are the ones that get on the nerves, like having Rotarians all over the Soda Bar when you have 15 minutes to get a sandwich.

Then how did they get here? Principally for two reasons, the first being public relations. Through them, people become aware of the University and what it offers, officials say. One might ask, "isn't there any other way?"

Too, there's the money. Events like the Rotarian conference and the State basketball tournament provide funds which keep prices from going up in the SU. If one is inevitable, why not take the lesser evil.

Even though the SU is much in demand for functions of this type, the student isn't plagued with them very often—only when downtown facilities aren't adequate.

Maybe the SU is for the students, but the other way of looking at it, is that the students ultimately benefit from these things. After all, maybe they do.

So what if you can't get to the third floor of the SU because the boy scouts are joy riding from the basement to the mezzanine and the stairs are blocked by banquet lines . . . Relax, take an aspirin; it's probably something you ate.—J.P.

When Alpha Xi Delta Wavers, Why?

"Why in the world are the Alpha Xi Deltas considering leaving the Greek-Independent coalition party, USA?"

That question was asked more than once Tuesday after it was announced that Alpha Xi was serving two weeks notice on the coalition party, and that the house was leaning back in the direction of the Greek bloc.

So let's examine the commonest reasons for jumping from one party to another:

- Political expediency.** This seems out of the question for Alpha Xi Delta. The house stood a very good chance of winning several nominations on the USA ticket. One member, Virginia Wright, has been top woman in the coalition party this year.
- And three members of the house have been sitting on the steering committee of USA.
- At the same time, the Associated Greek Students constitution states that a house coming back to the bloc will get no officers for a year. So a house leaving USA automatically sells out its junior members as far as elective offices are concerned.
- Disagreement with the present principles of USA.** That safely broad statement was made by the house president. It seems ironic when you consider that three members of the house are on the USA steering committee, and one of them just finished helping to write a new constitution, setting down principles of the party.
- Lack of recognition in campus activities.** Alpha Xi Delta for the past several years has rated as high as any sorority in campus activities. Right now the house has the president of Kwama, the only female member of the traffic court, junior representative on the Executive Council, to name a few.
- Social pressure.** If membership in USA has put a social stigma on this house, Oregon men are really lice.
- If indeed, social pressure does exist, it does not necessarily come from membership in this party. We prefer to think that Oregon men aren't lice and that members of this house aren't so weak that they blame social pressures which may or may not exist on USA.
- Alumni pressure.** Heaven help us if alumni removed from life within the house and within the University are dictating political policies. We are students with little backbone and "guts" if that's the case.
- There's the list. Take your choice. Now you tell us why Alpha Xi Delta has considered leaving the coalition party.

THE DAILY 'E' . . .

to the University Singers and their director, Donald W. Allton, for their fine concert in the Student Union Tuesday night.



The Word

Some Swim in Millrace; Others Bound for Korea

From Stan Turnbull

It seems to us that the combined "Daily E" and "Oregon Lemon" should go to those brave but foolhardy souls that have been swimming in what is laughingly referred to as "the old Millrace". . . but as the football coach said in his little story about the lower parts of the next world, "just wait till the alumni go by in their motorboats". And when will Springfield cut it out?

This year's very fine Junior Weekend theme, "Far Away Places," probably won't seem quite as grim to some as previously, what with the prospect of deferments for students . . . but for the seniors, we still don't see how any "senior ride" could hope to compete with the ride awaiting a lot of them . . . to Korea . . .

For Duck Preview weekend closed-up Susan Campbell hall will come back to life momentarily; with no room at all for the visiting seniors in Carson and about 13 openings at Hendricks, "Suzy" will be reopened for the weekend, and some of the former residents there will move in for the weekend to give the high schoolers a more realistic experience . . . the high school boys will be put up in Vets dorm . . .

And what's all this commotion about the new campus lights? The people who have complained about their being old-fashioned would probably like to see chromium-plated trees installed, too, to be "in keeping with the new building program" . . . Remember, "Spring term is picnic term."



Magazine Rack

Kefauver Article Views Nation's Crime Scandal

By Marge Scandling

Senator Estes Kefauver tells "What I Found in the Underworld" in the first of a series of articles in this week's POST . . . his conclusions were reached after listening to some 450 witnesses, and reading thousands of words backing up the oral testimony . . . he describes crime in the U. S. as not isolated, self-contained local activities but the result of a nation-wide crime syndicate . . . whose activities are guided by an evil coalition consisting of "conscienceless mobsters" plus so-called respectable business and professional men.

Kefauver feels that we are dangerously close to the point reached by once-proud European nations which forced them to lose democracy and national strength completely . . . says we must combat the situation by recognizing the alliance of criminals and their front men for what they are, and going after them with the same determination that they employ in working against society . . . such a job, he says, is a local, not a Federal responsibility.

No one person can be named as absolute boss of the syndicate according to Kefauver, but there are a few persons with all-powerful influence . . . heading the list is Frank Costello . . . "when he talks, the underworld listens" . . . he dominates "the Combination" on the East Coast, which ties up with the Capone Syndicate in Chicago . . . from these two mobs, lines shoot out across states to every important crime center in the country . . .

Kefauver reveals in his article for the first time the attempt of a big business operator from his home state of Tennessee to "buy" him during the crime investigation . . . an old acquaintance brought him to Washington on "an urgent matter" to chat with the senator . . . offers made by the crook included: (1) a six-figure contribution to the Democratic National Committee. (2) two expert secretaries to be paid by said mobster to help with the crime committee's work . . . "nobody has to know anything about it". (3) use of a staff of office workers to mail out literature for

the senator . . . and (4) "a big cocktail party for you and Mrs. Kefauver, or any of your friends . . . and invite a lot of important people in Washington."

Letters The Campus Answers

The Rotarian Circus. Emerald Editor:

Monday, April 9, the circus came to town. The tame beasts were quartered in the Student Union. Suddenly, the supposedly tame animal went berserk. The friendly bears attacked the girls at the soda fountain; probably aggravated because they were not fed as quick as they desired to be. Then the wolves rushed out into the street and bore away the cars of those students who dared to park in the spaces reserved for the regal lions. Even the trainers took part in the madness; running around in their blue uniforms, pistols in hand, they hauled car after car away from University street. It is a good thing that we don't expect wild animals to be democratic or grateful for our hospitality.

Lynn Jensen

Emerald Editor:

. . . is Student Union Director Dick Williams so concerned with making a buck that he will let any organization take over the Student Union without consideration for the students? That building was built with student funds—built by students, for students—not as a ritzy convention hall for every Bird Watcher's Society and civic club that comes along.

The name of the building is the Student Union—STUDENT Union. Let's keep it that way.

Disgustedly, Phil Bettens

The Second Cup . . .

On France: Forty million Frenchmen can't be wrong.—Anonymous

France always has plenty of men of talent, but it is always deficient in men of action and high character.—Napoleon

On Germany: Let us put Germany, so to speak, in the saddle! you will see that she can ride.—Bismark—In Parliament of Confederation (1867).

We Germans will never produce another Goethe, but we may produce another Caesar.—Oswald Spengler, 1925.

On Wisconsin!



"We're pretty well stocked with 'Phi Upr' pins, Louise. Why don't you start dating boys out of th' 'Signa Phi Nothing' fraternity from now on?"