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An Orchid...

We had a good feeling when we left the game Saturday. We had seen the bands of two arch rivals—Oregon and Oregon State—working together as one in a great half-time salute to John Phillip Sousa, the march composer. There was no competition here. Just cooperation.

And we're not the only ones who thought it great. Elsewhere on this page Charles D. Byrne, chancellor of the Oregon State System of Higher Education expresses his admiration of the "wonderful spectacle."

There's enough competition in the football game itself. Let's hope that Saturday half-time action has set a precedent... of cooperation.

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Band entertainment was not the only job well-done this past weekend. We'd like to give the gal responsible for the whole Homecoming celebration a big orchid. When Francis Gillmore took the job she knew it would be a big one, with Homecoming falling on Thanksgiving. But that didn't stop her. She proved that Oregon can have a successful Homecoming, even if it does fall on a weekend when students are usually home stuffing themselves with turkey.

Two Orchids...

"If it wasn't for all my outside work and activities I could make better grades."

Ever hear that plaintive remark? Ever make it yourself? Most of the time it sounds reasonable enough. But not this week. Here are a half dozen reasons why not—Phi Beta Kappa's Senior Six.

Everyone of this year's Big Six are exceptional students. That's taken for granted. They're also extremely prominent in various campus activities. Or if not now, they have been. That's not so often taken for granted.

For what it's worth we'd like to offer our congratulations to Catherine Black, Gerald Berreman, Gretchen Grondahl, Virginia Wright, Jackie Pritzen and Anita Holmes, for winning the highest undergraduate honors possible at this or any other university.

Just one almost inaudible complaint. How come the weaker sex (?) got all the brains around here? If it wasn't for Berreman we'd be completely skunked.—B. C.

A Suggestion...

Here's a simple way to help solve two problems: a personal one and an international one.

Problem A: old textbooks lying around getting dusty and taking up shelf space.

Problem B: a serious shortage of textbooks in schools overseas.

It shouldn't take any Einstein to see how these two problems can be combined into a solution for both; it just takes somebody to do the work of collecting and redistributing the books.

And the campus YWCA and YMCA have taken over that job. They're now conducting a drive for textbooks for overseas schools; students and faculty members having books which they would be willing to contribute to needy students abroad are being asked to call campus extensions 429 or 426 by Friday of this week.

There's just one qualification: they're asking that only books with a copyright dating from 1945 to 1951 be contributed. Frequently students are unable to resell these recent books because of course textbook changes—and the need for books abroad is certainly desperate. The few books available are passed around until they are moth-eaten, and frequently must be laboriously copied on the scant supply of paper available.

It seems to us that a few minutes spent in cleaning off our bookshelves this week would be a valuable investment in the future.—G. G.

Aside from the News

Why Was a Two Card Plan Used For Entrance to Saturday's Game?

By Bill Frye

For the most part, Oregon's Homecoming weekend was a pretty good one. Even Wally Heider drew a full house, despite denunciation by rabid Kenton supporters.

First prize for committing the injustice of the weekend should go to the man behind the men who punched athletic cards at the gates of Hayward field. Maybe it goes back further than this, but whoever issued orders that registration cards were to be presented along with athletic cards for admission to the game wasn't thinking too hard.

Reasons could be given for this action, I suppose. One could be that some one was trying to catch all non-University students who may have borrowed cards. This he did, but he also caught a number of bona fide Webfoots who never had the habit of packing all their credentials around in their Saturday-game togs, especially after coming from a noise parade where jumping up and down and

standing on your head was the thing to do.

Another reason could be that the internal revenue boys were hanging around the gates bent on sticking the University with tax evasion because non-students were getting in free and thereby robbing Uncle Sam of two-bits or more in taxes, depending on the seats they hypothetically would have paid for.

Those that did get into the stands had a lot of fun though. They saw a good game and threw lots of cards. One of my friends who sat in a lower row has since started to part his hair—half on one side of a blue card and half on the other. Another person in the same vicinity now has the neatest lop ear; severed close to the skull and down to the lobe by a green cardboard buzzsaw.

What amazes me is the faith and patience that these guys who direct card stunts have. All through the act they keep hoping that the same thing that has happened before won't happen again. But it all goes for nought when the last stunt is over and 1500 pieces of colored shrapnel come raining down in defiance of the pleadings of that patient fellow who hangs around after the game and retrieves them from all corners of the stadium.



Bill Frye

Spotlight on the World

Oregon is Proving Ground For Presidential Candidates

By Pat Dignan

The "spotlight of the nation" will be focused on Oregon when it holds its primary elections for this election will test the political strength of Eisenhower, Taft and Truman.

Eisenhower's name has been entered on both the GOP and Democratic tickets. He'll oppose Taft on the Republican ticket, and Truman on the Demo ticket.

There has been strong support from high ranking Republican party leaders throughout the nation for General Eisenhower. In Oregon, there's been a great demand for his name to appear on the ballot.

The drawback seems to be whether or not "Ike" will run. I believe that he will, when the time is ripe, declare himself in the presidential race.

Eisenhower did not say he would not run. Also "Ike" has had more than one opportunity to repudiate the Eisenhower-for-president movement, which he has not yet done.

Another reason. The foreign policy which Eisenhower advocates might be changed if someone like Taft were elected. This might disrupt all the work the General has done in Europe. If there is such a threat, then I think "Ike" would definitely run.

Senator Taft has thrown his hat into the circle early. He says it is better to stay with a candidate you are sure of than one you are not.

There is still some question whether or not President Truman will run for a third term. He indicated to some in 1948 that this was his last term in office. However, observers believe he will run if certain conditions exist.

For instance, if the Republican party nominates a strong candidate who, if he won, might threaten the existing governmental policy, then Truman would allow himself to be a candidate.



Pat Dignan

Letters to the Editor

Proud Chancellor

Ed. Note: This letter is a copy of one sent to the band directors of Oregon and Oregon State—Robert Vagner, UO, and Theodore Mesang, OSC. We thought it quite worthy of publication in its entirety.)

Dear Sirs: While it is fresh in my memory, I want to express to you my great admiration for the wonderful spectacle your bands put on at the big game last Saturday. It was the finest public demonstration of institutional unity and cooperation that I have ever seen. Sitting as I did with many prominent State guests, I wish to indicate to you the wonderful reaction this between-half program received.

The marching and formations were extremely well coordinated, the selection of numbers and musicianship was superb, and the well-appointed uniforms on the beautiful field that afternoon made a spectacle that I am sure will live long in the minds of the thousands who attended.

I believe this sets a precedent which you might well follow for future big game ceremonies. My heartiest congratulations go out to you and your band members.

Charles D. Byrne,
Chancellor
Oregon State System
of Higher Education

Eyes Left, Karl

Emerald Editor: If we, as a student body, are to be proud of any of our members, certainly we should be especially proud of those students chosen to the Senior Six of Phi Beta Kappa. The small and rather factual column with which the Emerald covered this matter demonstrates again, I think, a lack of proper perspective of values.

I have noticed again and again how much space the Emerald affords such things as the Betty Coed-Joe College contest, Homecoming Queen and sports. Certainly I cannot, nor would not, take issue with the space spent upon or the importance of such things.

However, I do trust that there are other happenings upon this campus which are just as, if not more, important.

I would like to see the Emerald write up much more completely such things as the Senior Six, scholarships and academic honors so that we may come to know those people who so justly deserve our attention.

Karl Harshbarger

9 O'clock in Gerlinger



"Better clean it up today, Prof., that's the dean of women wearing those colored glasses in th' back row."