

Deferred Living Favored in Report

Reds Not Found In Universities, Says Chancellor

"Those who hunt for Communists in great universities mistake their natural habitat, for a free university is not a place where Communism can thrive," Chancellor Charles D. Byrne of the state system of higher education told alumni leaders at its annual conference during the weekend.

"Freedom of thought and expression is just what Communism cannot practice or tolerate," Byrne said. He told the alumni leaders their role was to protect the freedom of the University and the faculty to search for and express truth.

University a Sounding Board
Byrne, in relating "The Role of Alumni in Oregon's Higher Education Program," said the other tasks before the alumni were to be the sounding board for the University's program in serving the students and the people of the state, to take an active part in government at all levels and to "encourage the bright minds in . . . (the) community to seek a college education."



CHARLES D. BYRNE
Universities poor hunting ground

A committee nominated Charles Holloway, Portland, for president of the alumni association, and George Corey, Pendleton, for vice-president. Other candidates can be nominated later.

University Must Reflect
The chancellor said a great university must reflect the spirit of the times without yielding to it; the sounding board role he said, reflects the needs of the state and thinking of the people. It also must not necessarily yield, as when, ". . . too frequently our society experiences waves of hysteria."

He cited as an example the present wave "of hysteria demanding anti-Communist oaths of staff members in the institutions of higher learning."

California Cited as Example
"Our sister state university to the South has had a very sad experience recently," he said, "in battling a movement initiated by the board of regents to deprive its faculty of academic freedom by demanding of all staff members that they sign an anti-Communist oath."

Byrne was referring to the action taken at the University of California, recently revoked, ". . . but the damage had been done," he added.

Oregon Bill Commented On
He told of the bill introduced in the Oregon state legislature a year ago, stipulating that all public schoolteachers sign a non-Communist oath, and amended to include instructors in higher education. The chancellor said he turned loose faculty organizations to in-

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Committee Urges Deferred Pledging

Satisfaction with deferred living was expressed by the alumni association's Holloway committee at the alumni leaders conference Saturday meeting, but the committee strongly recommended that deferred pledging be instituted at Oregon.

The nine-man group, headed by Charles Holloway of Portland, was appointed in 1950 by Herbert J. Darby, then president of the association, and reappointed by current President William N. Russell. On Oct. 27, 1951, the committee interviewed more than 20 persons representing administration, student body and alumni—opponents and proponents of the living-in plan, and continued study of the system.

Report Will Go to Association
The report reflects the views of the committee; it has not yet been acted upon by the association itself. It will be presented for approval or disapproval at the next general meeting of the association.

Principal reasons given for recommending deferred pledging were:

1. A stable pledging program should be developed to eliminate unrest caused by confusion existing at present time.

2. Present program creates divided loyalty between dormitory and Greek organizations involved with each pledge, interfering with the purpose of the plan and interrupting the functions of the Greek living organizations.

3. It has been proven at many colleges that when deferred living and deferred pledging are instigated together, the program runs smoothly and efficiently for all concerned.

4. Undergraduates who pledge and continue to live in the dormitory assume additional financial burdens which are inequitable.

Deferment of sorority and fraternity pledging until spring term so that administration, alumni, undergraduates and prospective students will know their status for the ensuing year.

Findings Listed
Other points of the report included:

1. The deferred living program is based on a sound educational foundation.

2. The administration did not make available to the student body and the alumni complete information regarding policies and plans for instituting deferred living.

3. Methods of invoking the plan are still disapproved; and it is believed that students and alumni were not properly told of the benefits. A restatement of policy regarding the plan's institution and progress for each campus living organization, for national headquarters of each Greek house, for all organized Greek alumni groups and for other individuals and organizations desiring them, is recommended.

It is felt that "such a restatement and report would do much to dispel the confusion, secrecy, rumor and misinformation that now surround the plan."

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Men Urged to Take Qualification Test

University men planning to take the selective service college qualification test in 1952 have been urged by selective service national headquarters to apply at once for the Apr. 24 examination.

Applications and information may be obtained at any selective service local board. National headquarters has advised that the student fill out his application immediately and mail it in a specially provided envelope.

Applications must be postmarked no later than midnight Mar. 10, headquarters stated, and early filing will be of additional advantage to the applicant.

Marriage-Family Lecture Series Begins Tuesday

Rev. Fred G. Scherer of the Fairmount Presbyterian church will be the first speaker at the YM-YWCA sponsored Marriage and the Family series, Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Dad's Lounge of the Student Union.

On the following Tuesday—the second of four meetings in the series—Joel V. Berreman, professor of sociology, will speak. Lecturers for the final two meetings are still tentative, according to Virginia Means, sophomore in liberal arts and YWCA general chairman of the series.

Tickets for the series have already been distributed in living organizations, Miss Means said, and will be on sale at the Co-op Tuesday.

Each meeting will take about one and one-half hours, she explained. An informal lecture will be given first, followed by movies and then by an open discussion period. The movie series is entitled "Marriage for Moderns."

Chairman States Festival Success

The International Festival on the Oregon campus Saturday, participated in by foreign students from ten Oregon colleges and universities, was considered quite a success by its general chairman, Marian Briner.

About 125 foreign students, University students and townspeople were registered and approximately 80 attended the dinner. No money was made on the function, she explained, "in fact we went in the hole a little bit, but money making was not our purpose."

Economic Aid Important to Europe IRL Delegates Decide at Confab

By Charlene Christiansen
Economic aid rather than military aid, is more important to the countries of Europe, delegates to the Oregon High School International Relations league decided in a conference held on the Oregon campus last weekend.

This aid, according to various committee reports, would be in the form of technical advice, education, use of a cooperative management program and reciprocal trade agreements.

Ideas Expressed at Final Meeting
The idea was among those brought forth at the final meeting of the league, Saturday morning in the Dad's lounge of the Student Union. At this time new officers were elected and committee reports were given.

Reports were commented upon by a panel composed of Warren E. Tomlinson, professor of history and German at the College of Puget Sound; John Swarthout, department of political science, Oregon State College; Charles P. Schleicher, Orde Pinckney and Michael Flach of the political science department at Oregon.

Foreign Policy for Others
There was a general feeling among the group that the United States in administering aid should work more through the United Nations. It was felt that U.S. foreign policy today is directed at benefiting the U.S. and not other coun-

KWAX Fans Now Have Room in SU

A listening room for station KWAX is open today in the Student Union for the first time.

The room, 206, is located near the browsing room and is adequately furnished for a large audience, according to Dick Hardie, KWAX station manager. A radio speaker will be tuned to KWAX at all times, he said.

KWAX operates on a six-day broadcast schedule, 5 to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday and 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Weekend Theme Prize Offered

The person submitting the winning theme for Junior Weekend, May 9-11, will receive a free ticket to the prom and dinner for two.

Themes for the weekend may be submitted by those petitioning for chairmanships of committees or by an individual or groups of individuals. Theme suggestions may be turned in to room 303, Student Union.

Special petitions for the chairmanship of Junior Weekend, May 9-11, are now available in room 303 and in the box outside the Program Director's office. Petitions are due Feb. 27 in room 303 SU.

All houses that were not represented at the meeting last Thursday are urged by junior class officers to have their representatives pick up petitions for their houses.

Chairmanships are open for the following committees:

All-Campus sing, luncheon, float parade, traditions, queen contest and coronation, terrace dance, Junior Prom, promotion, publicity, Sunlight Serenade and campus clean-up.

Junior men are particularly urged to petition, it has been announced, and juniors will be given preference as to chairmanships.

Honor Committee Finds Majority Favors Totality

An honor system, if adopted at Oregon, should be instituted throughout the whole school at once and a referendum vote of the student body should be taken before the matter is presented to the faculty for action.

That's the weight of opinion the honor code committee has gathered so far from talks with various groups and individuals on the campus. This came out in a meeting of the committee Saturday afternoon.

Large Majority Should Favor
Most people contacted thought that a large majority of the student body—perhaps 70 per cent or more—should favor the plan before its adoption.

Among groups consulted were the Student Discipline committee and the Board of Deans.

Committee members heard a brief report on a trip to Stanford to investigate that school's honor system made by three of their number — Merv Hampton, John Beal and Jean Gould, and Dick McLaughlin, Inter-fraternity council president.

Stanford Opinions Largely Favorable

Opinions gathered by the Oregon students—though mainly from faculty — were largely favorable. Two students interviewed, however, made contradictory statements indicating both a feeling that the system wasn't working and that they didn't want to see it abolished.

A full account of the Stanford investigation will appear in the Emerald this week, as soon as the full report can be secured.

All-student Council Hears Violations

At Stanford, an all-student council hears violations of the code. However, students observing others cheating often tell the instructor and he, in turn, brings it before the council.

Only nine cases—eight them reported by faculty members—were reviewed at Stanford last year.

Bill Lees, senior in political science and a strong opponent of the honor system, was invited to attend and speak at the meeting.

System 'Legalized Cheating'

He felt an honor system would "legalize cheating" as there would be no restrictions placed upon cheaters. He thought that no greater number of students would cheat under an honor code, but that the perennial cheaters would increase their violations.

Committee members pointed out that nearly half the Oregon student body has (according to a recent survey) cheated at one time or another. They feel that since the situation is bad now, an honor system is worth a try to improve it.

Won't Eliminate Cheating

They emphasized the belief that an honor system wouldn't eliminate cheating. They would be satisfied, they said, if during its first year of operation the percentage of cheating remained the same. But, they explained, it would have to decrease markedly in succeeding years if the system were to be considered a success.

Morality and Ability

Lees also pointed out that Stanford has higher entrance requirements than Oregon. Therefore, he feels the system less likely to work at Oregon. Stanford dean of students, however, feels there's no relation between morality and scholastic ability.

But Lees also stated, on the

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