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Candidate Who Said Something

If we were to base our choice for U.S. president entirely on the speeches we heard here on campus last week, and disregard all other actions and statements, we'd pick Harold Stassen.

Why? Because this Republican candidate for the nomination told us what he thinks about the United States and its policy in the world today—specifically. Because he avoided the glittering generalities employed so freely by Gov. Earl Warren, by Sen. Estes Kefauver and by Paul Hoffman.

Stassen told us we need a strong air force and increased resistance of peoples behind the Iron Curtain. We should take the Voice of America out of the hands of the state department and make it the Voice of Freedom. We must see that colonial policies are liberalized, perhaps by using our influence on colonial powers to which we are now sending aid. We must modify the U.N. veto powers. Universal Military Training should not be utilized under existing conditions. We should establish an academy of diplomacy corresponding to West Point and Annapolis academies. These were just a few of his statements.

He said what he thought, with a minimum of hedging. Unlike other political speeches we've heard, his sounded like a well-informed college president's lecture on the world situation. (And, of course, he is president of the University of Pennsylvania.)

Afterward, one member of the audience remarked that Stassen wouldn't have said these things if he thought he had a chance in the Oregon primary. That's probably quite true.

Still his talk was quite refreshing and thought-provoking following the other campaigners' speeches.

We hope the other campaigners do possess thoughts similar to Stassen's, even though they apparently consider it unwise to air them now.

Shakespeare to Olivier to Blue

It was the best \$40 spent at this University since we've been here. That's what we think about Jim Blue's local film version of Shakespeare and Olivier's "Hamlet," which we saw Friday.

The five people who collaborated in the six-day production of the 35-minute comedy showed originality that is surprising for this campus. They not only developed something "new"; they also came up with something "enjoyable."

We're used to seeing the State spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to erect buildings for students to grouse about. "Yeah, it looks good, but..." It's nice, for a change, to see the expense small and the enjoyment large.

We couldn't think of a better way for the speech and drama department to advertise itself than by sending this priceless funny piece of film art around to the state high schools. Show the kids the kind of actors the UO puts out and the fun those actors can have.—D. D.

-- Letters to the Editor --

Eureka! Fraternities

Emerald Editor:

Gerhard Zahn, the discover of the character and the attitude of fraternities and sororities (or did you know before that they "are typically American institutions," that "students in the dormitories are not as unified as the fraternities and sororities are" or even that "there is no difference if you live in a fraternity, sorority or dorm?") says in his article "Greeks Make Campus Policy; No One Else Will" (Emerald, May 12):

"I have spoken with fraternity members... and it was some times hard for me to answer all their very good questions about Europe in a correct manner." This I really believe, especially after having read his other piece "Free Radio Leipzig News Ridiculous" (Emerald, May 14).

If I were sarcastic I would say Zahn has used ridiculous mediums to ridicule the "ridiculous" news of Radio Leipzig. But this would be ridiculous. Rather I

will be objective and try to give a few comments in "a correct manner."

"You would be surprised how well a German radio-listener can tell you about the new intentions of the eastern zone government," states Mr. Zahn. He obviously does not belong to this well-informed group. Otherwise he would have judged the propagandistic intentions and methods of the East German government more correctly. If this propaganda of Radio Leipzig really were ridiculous we would not have to worry so much about it.

The Russian propaganda in Radio Leipzig is flexible. It addresses different groups with different subjects in different methods. One can hear powerful emotional appeals. Also there are smart and sober comments.

The propaganda is aggressive. It continuously attacks the Western nations and forces them into a propagandistic defense position.

It is up-to-date and active. It picks up newest issues of political events or tendencies of de-

velopment and it hammers them into the ears of the listeners.

Finally, the propaganda is, to a certain extent, ridiculous. It sometimes uses very naive methods, arguments and lies, when directed toward the common people. But this is not at all the main element of that radio propaganda.

Russian propaganda is being neutralized to a large extent because; the German people's experience with Hitler's propaganda has made them skeptical; the people are able to compare the propaganda with the facts they get from West Germany.

If Russian propaganda were ridiculous the responsible men of German radio stations and the American State department would relax in easy chairs, having fun as they listen to Radio Leipzig. But they are very busy and spend millions to make that propaganda more and more ineffective. The funny part of this deal seems to be occupied by Gerhard Zahn.

Walter Schwarzlose

Could Have Used This Saturday



"Looks as if Coach is finally whippin' the track team into shape."

The Atomic Age

Logic Is Thrown to the Winds As Washingtonian 'Raises Cain'

By Phil Johnson

The price of wool appears to be dropping like a lead balloon, now that the politicians are obligingly supplying great quantities for placement over the eyeballs of the public.

Sen. Harry Cain (R-Wash.) is right in the center of the act. In a rather bitter debate May 4 over the American Forum of the Air program, Cain threw logic to the winds and thoroughly "demolished" a passing statement by his debating foe, Sen. Blair Moody (D-Mich.).

Moody had just remarked that inflation has been permitted to go too far, but has been stabil-

ized fairly successful. This is not a contradictory statement.

However, Cain must have been tired of the argument, because he switched to an attack upon Moody's statement, saying:

"The Senator from Michigan has just said we have permitted inflation to go too high, but that we have a sound currency. If that isn't a contradiction, I don't know what it is. You had better remember that the Senator from Michigan—nice person that he is—is going to try to sell the American people that double talk contradiction, but I do not think they will buy it."

In the same "debate," Cain introduced his concept of two codes of truthfulness—one for the floor of the Senate—the other for unofficial talks to reporters. This arose right after Cain attempted to make political capital of the war in Korea, saying that the United States is making no attempt to win. The transcript reads as follows:

"Senator MOODY. I might point out that he [Cain] wanted all-out war on China.

"Senator CAIN. Tell us how we are trying to win in Korea.

"Senator MOODY. Yes; you did. [This is a rather unique conversation. Remember that the boys might be nervous.]

"Senator CAIN. Complete war on the enemies who are confronting us in Korea is one course of positive action I have urged.

"Senator MOODY. Or withdrawal. Withdrawal or else attack China with the atomic bomb.

"Senator CAIN. Oh, no. That would not be required. No one has yet advocated using the atomic bomb on China.

"Senator MOODY. Everyone in the press gallery heard you.

"Senator CAIN. I am talking to you as a member of the United States Senate, not as an ex-member of the press.

"Mr. GRANIK. Gentlemen, please. [A rather unusual request.]

"Senator CAIN. That is entirely different.

"Senator MOODY. Not so different."

Maybe the voters in Washington should play kick the Cain.

Our Visitors Speak... A Better World Can Be Achieved

By Jurgen Behncke

What will the future bring? This is a question which is heard in the United States as well as Europe.

My past eight months, which I've had the privilege of spending at this university, have shown me that we still have to go the greater part of the way toward unification of the western world into a system of free and liberal relations.

Our monetary system of cooperation is more or less dictated by communism and the threat of communism on our respective ways of life. Differences of opinion between the partners of the western system of nations are greater than many are ready to believe.

But we have one common factor to build this better relationship of the future: This is the acknowledgement of the value of the individual in the community.

The official relations between our governments are unfortunately not on such a basis. At times where a cooperative spirit comes into the discussions, the people themselves often have the impression that their legal representatives are going to sell them for foreign interests.

Building a system of dependent or half-dependent nations under the present world conditions is a relic of the past. It is dangerous to give people half-freedom and then to use the whip against them when they use this freedom. This speaks only a narrow, nationalistic point of view against the natural conditions.

It has been a great pleasure for me to meet so many friends and to discuss this problem with sincerity and good will. In all these discussions many things have been exaggerated to point out one or two things. If this caused misunderstanding between foreigners and Americans, it is unfortunate.

When we are able to put into action our ideals of international relations—not only for our own good but also for the good of all—I am convinced that we can achieve the more perfect world we are all striving for. But this cannot be achieved with words; only with actions.

Campus Headlines... Driving Outlawed At Many Colleges

By Rae Thomas

There are at least 39 colleges in the country that prohibit students from driving cars during the school year, according to a recent survey of 500 colleges. One-hundred, sixty-two colleges say they have no driving regulations.

The two leading candidates for student council at Southern Methodist university each polled 856 votes. There'll be a run-off of the tie next week.

A poster in the grill at Michigan State college reads: "Silverware and glasses are not medicine; therefore, do not take them after meals."

A fellow at Syracuse University entered a mystery song contest at the local radio station. Several days later, the station called to tell him that he had won a free permanent wave—good anytime.