



Notes to the Editor From Angry Ducks

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To the editor:

The Emerald sounding board of objectivity echoed with a dull thud yesterday. The front page editorial "Governor Stevenson, our choice," echoed personal opinion. But not where tradition has established that opinion is to be placed. Tradition has not placed opinion on the front page with all the fanfare of a campaign advertisement.

In a bi-partisan newspaper it seems that the facts could be presented so that they could be viewed objectively and let the people judge for themselves. It appears that the Emerald has not seen fit now or in the past (as in the student body election) to be a bearer of facts, but rather has considered itself more fitted to be a bearer of judgments, seemingly with supernatural insight.

The Emerald editorial staff probably would not abuse its power of expression if it would not be so illusioned about its prophetic insight and realize that their opinions are not any wiser, more intelligent or better grounded than any other group of university students.

We would say that it would be in fairness to all, if the Emerald would print in their respective places, facts as facts, opinions as opinions, and advertisements as advertisements; and be content to let the Democrats win their own election.

Harold Long
George Hypes
Don DeWree
Paul Weston
R. Chandler Sogge

Dear Editor:

I am glad that you have finally

dropped your hypocritical mask of impartiality. From the first issues of the paper your partisan bias has been apparent to a discerning reader. I am frankly writing also with partisan view, but I am not concealing it under a guise of fair reporting.

I would like to ask a few questions:

1. Does the Emerald's endorsement of Mr. Stevenson reflect the entire paper's viewpoint or the Editor's? In any case will the Editor indicate the party that he is registered with?

2. What is Mr. Stevenson's stand on the questions you posed to Mr. Eisenhower?

What do you think of loyalty oaths for teachers?

What do you think of drafting college students?

What is your opinion on federal aid to education?

We may ignore the question on the Columbia Spectator, as the answer is plain.

Thank you for your kind attention.

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(Ed. Note: The Emerald's endorsement of Stevenson represents the opinion of the Editor. The Editor will continue to write the major political editorials. The Editor is a registered Republican but will vote on the capabilities of the candidates and their statements on the issues, regardless of party registration, on Nov. 4.

Governor Stevenson has not visited Eugene, as has Eisenhower. Therefore, we have had no opportunity to present the same list of questions. We will write to Stevenson and attempt to get the information.)

How Foreign Students Get 3.5's

By Ted Goh

One of the few things the average American student fails to understand is the ability of foreign students to get good grades.

They often attribute it to the possession of brain power and the lack of participation in the many varied campus activities.

This is a false assumption which has caused much embarrassment to foreign students, especially when to be called a "brain" has the connotation of being queer. They fail to realize that there are some "brains" floating around the campus that are American. Or do they refuse to acknowledge them?

There is no secret. Shall I bare the secret of some methods of these students? Shall I write a book on "How to Get a 3.5"—a digest of successful methods employed by foreign students. It will not sell; better books on studying and the psychology of studying have been written. What then is the secret?

There is no secret, but there are several factors that contribute towards the better than average student as you see in the foreign student (and for that matter any student on the campus).

Students Appreciate English

First, most foreign students, if they have been brought up in the Orient where English is the lingua franca, has developed a greater appreciation for it than the average American student who thinks that it is an unnecessary burden.

In the continent and other countries where English is a foreign tongue, the acquisition of a sound English foundation is of-

ten a gateway to many opportunities of intellectual advancement.

Not Drudgery, An Adventure

English is never considered a drudgery, it is an adventure. This greater grasp and better understanding of the language helps in the better appreciation of resource materials and the lectures of the professors.

Secondly, most foreign students have a clear conception of the types of courses that would be most beneficial to them and in the furtherance in their work. Some of them will not get credit for their work during their year here but that does not stop them in their enthusiasm for their courses.

Interest and Resources

Interest in the subject you study, aided and abetted by the great resources that the library of a university provides, helps in the acquisition of facts and ideas that are useful. A course is not taken for the subject's sake or for a requirement. It is usually taken in relation to the total program.

Thirdly, the average foreign student, because of the education system of his country, has acquired greater intellectual maturity than his American contemporary.

Age and Experience

There are also many who are much older in years and educational experience. To him class attendance, especially to the European students, is at times tedious.

The lack of opportunity to ask

questions and the disinterestedness of most students is a marked contrast. As one student from Austria remarked, "They are running the university on high school system." Professors often spoon-feed their students, who take excessive notes. Most of the time the reproduction of notes taken in class assures a good grade point.

Something of a Brain

Fourthly, it is true most of the time that the average foreign student is something of a brain. He would not have won a scholarship to an American university if he is not above-the-average student. Students are carefully screened before leaving their country. This is supported by the percentage of foreign students in Writing K and Maths 10, which is small. But brains and ability in retaining facts is not sufficient. The ability to sift and use them is the more important.

The Total Test

The total test of whether we have been educated, to us, means whether we have absorbed them into our intellectual life so that we may use them as tools for furthering our quest for more knowledge and opening more horizons. We are willing to sacrifice our grade points for an education.

But if we have to conform to a grade point system as a gauge of our intelligence and the passport to courses we wish to take, we will attempt to gain the best grade point possible. That is the essence of our secret.

An A-plus for Rank's 'Encore'

By Ann Ogle

Take three sure-fire ingredients — good acting, simple settings, and expert camera work, and add to them three Somerset Maugham stories, and you have an unbeatable mixture for good

movie fare. J. Arthur Rank has again used this combination which proved so effective in "Trio" and "Quartet" to give movie-goers "Encore," now showing at the Mayflower.

Brief Introductions

Maugham appears in person to give brief introductions to each story as it unfolds fan-like in intricate and colorful patterns. "The Ant and the Grasshopper," is the first tale and it deals with the uproariously funny skirmishes between stuffy, prosperous George Ramsey, and his brother, an impudent ne'er do well.

Long-Playing Record

"Winter Cruise" tells what happens when Miss Reid, who ran an English tea shop, took a winter voyage and tried to drown her fellow-passengers in a sea of gossip. She was a perfect parrot, "a human long-playing record." The audience, like Miss Reid's listeners in the film, may be driven to desperation by her incessant chatter, and this is undoubtedly the weakest of the three stories.

"Gigolo and Gigolette" opens in a deluxe gambling casino on the Monte Carlo. The plot concerns a young girl who dives nightly from an eighty-foot tower into a flaming tank of water so that she and her husband can "get a little ahead."

Bit Players Best

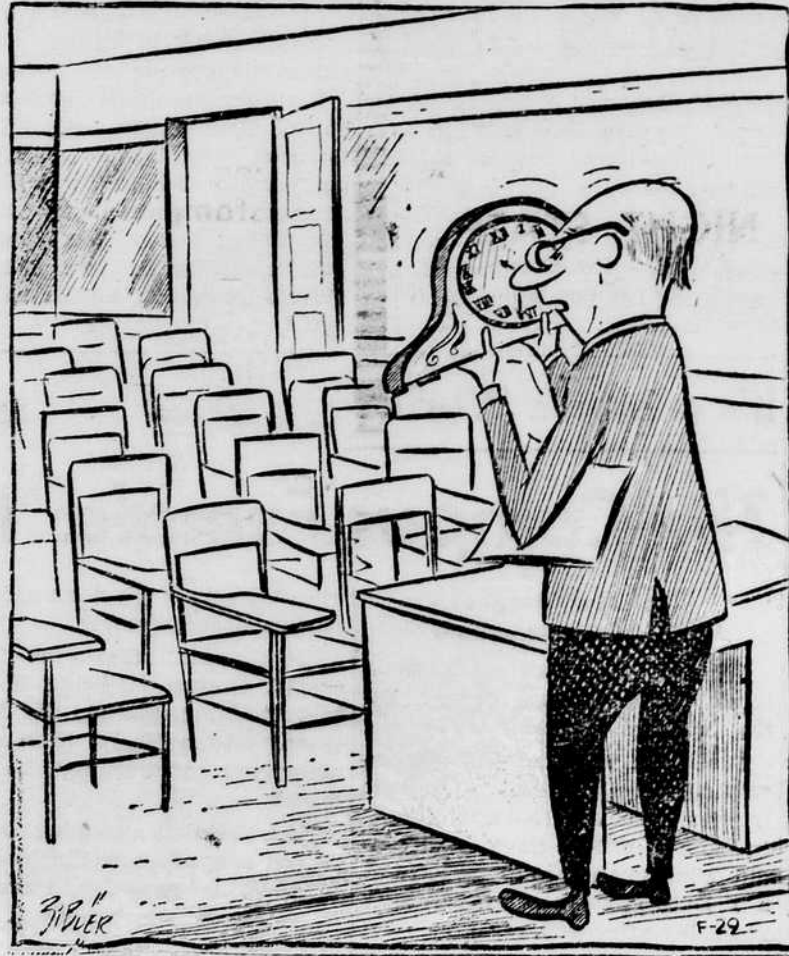
It is Mr. Maugham's protest to the public which allows actors to risk their necks for the sake of entertainment.

The best acting is turned in by the bit players, who watch the diver with convincing avidity, night after night, as they suck on their hors d'oeuvres and hope her timing will be off.

The suspense is worthy of a Hitchcock thriller as she climbs for the dive as the film surges to a climax. It is a supreme movie depicting triumph over fear as she stands, poised on top of the platform. Then, in a black-seguined flash, she dives...

"Encore" rates an A-plus absorbing and adult movie fare.

A Friday 3 O'clock



"Oh, I'm so sorry class—I see by my watch I've lectured past the bell again."



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The College Crowd

Campus Headlines Elsewhere

By Rae Thomas

At Texas, the peacefully sleeping students in a bio-science lecture were awakened with a crash one hour last week. The instructor was bemoaning the fact that few of his students believed in flying saucers. So he reached into a bag and with the same motion started sailing china plates across the lecture room.

At the Health Center at Texas, the doctors were amused at one freshman who wrote "Boy" on the "M" "F" line on his health record chart. They then became concerned when they discovered the "boy" was a pre-med student.

Window-watchers in 8 o'clocks at Michigan State reported the first flurries of snow for the season. The mercury hit a low of 27 and students began drawing out their red-woolies.

The school of veterinary medicine at Michigan gives a P.H.T. degree to the wives of students in the school. The ladies go three nights a month and learn about animal first aid, X-rays, etc., and when their husbands graduate, they earn their P.H.T., which stands for "Pushing Hubby Through."

Definitely NOT funny are the cases of polio in the athletic field

across the country. The University of North Carolina has five athletes who were stricken, as does the University of Kansas, which may cancel the Kansas football games for the rest of the season.

In Vancouver, B. C., police are holding a man for mental examination for jumping into a bear's cage at the park zoo and chasing the animals into their dens. Zoo officials say the bears are suffering from "shock."

Federal authorities slapped a \$1,000 bond on a 22-year-old fellow who posed on the Louisiana campus since registration week as an Air Force officer, a medical doctor and a fraternity member. The fraternity boys had become suspicious of their "brother" and checked with national headquarters. He had borrowed money from them, said he had graduated magna cum laude with an M.D., suggested revisions of the military manual of cadet regulations in ROTC, and offered to teach classes in military courtesy at the University. Really, he was a nobody.

"University Loses Outhouse," said the Maryland paper. "Mr. James B. Outhouse, formerly professor of Ag. recently left for Purdue." Oh.