

'Scurvy' in Polittions, Corruption Not New in America, Says Jones

There is a tradition in America to link politicians with the word "scurvy," according to William C. Jones, dean of administration, who lectured on the book "Ethics in Politics," by Paul Douglas in a Wednesday night browsing room lecture. This trend has been enforced by the growing pile of rotten political apples, uncovered by the Kefauver committee and other congressional investigators, he said.

Political sinkholes are not a new innovation, Jones remarked. The attempt to picture the past as a golden age of virtuous political administrators is borne out by "The Prince," written four and one-half centuries ago by Machiavelli and exposing the corruption of the times.

"At the risk of exposing feet of clay in our great national idols,"

Jones read a letter from Daniel Webster to Nicholas Biddle, in which Webster coyly asked the Second National Bank to 'refresh his retainer' as a reward for using his influence to get a renewal for the bank's charter.

Ethics and Morality

Relapses in political ethics often occur after major wars, Jones continued. He cited the carpet-bag rule of the post-Civil War era, the scandals of the 20's, and the graft that flourished after World War II. "At any rate," he said, "politics mirror the ethics and morality of the time."

"We've gone too far in the direction of government regulation of business," Jones maintained. "Where government controls business, it is inevitable that business will attempt to control government. Government subsidies to

business interests are a breeding ground for corruption."

Government officials, swept into the gay and giddy whirl of Washington cocktail parties, and lured by bounteous gifts can not be expected to tread the straight and narrow path of political honesty without congressional supervision, Jones stated. "Nor will officials be saved from corruption by larger salaries," he contended, since "desire always outruns income."

Few "Fat Cats"

According to Jones, a man who has money or is able to attract money has the greatest chance for success in American politics. It costs a senatorial candidate nearly \$200,000 to run for office, and there are few "fat cats" who are able to underwrite their own campaigns. Gambling interests, and other large campaign contributors want something in return for their investment, he said. "That 'something' is protection."

Various remedies have been prescribed for these political infections, Jones stated. An ethical code, stipulating that government officials could not receive money from individuals with whom the government had dealings, is presently before the legislature. A moderate taxation of citizens to provide for political candidates has also been suggested, he said.

Not Universal

This murky and dark picture of American politics should not be regarded as universal, Jones cautioned. There are very few dishonest politicians in comparison with the vast number of public officials who perform their duties faithfully in the "honest Abe" tradition, he stated.

J. H. Gilbert, professor emeritus of economics introduced Jones. William Tugman, editor of the Eugene Register-Guard was discussion leader for the session.

Alpha Phi Omega Conducts Initiation

Alpha Phi Omega, the only national service fraternity on campus, held its initiation ceremonies by candlelight at Gerlinger hall Thursday night.

Initiated were freshmen Wesley Naish, music, Jerry Froebe, Jack Fenton and Jerry Farrow, business, Bob Kubes, architecture, and Marvin Young, Dick Buffington, Jack Perky, Herbie Yamanaka and Pierre Van Rysselberghe, liberal arts.

Chapter President Marty Johnson conducted the meeting, at which Byron Johnson, a boy scout adviser in this area, spoke. Another speaker of the evening was Bill Denman, member of the executive council. He reported on the national convention in Columbus, Ohio, which he attended as an Oregon representative.

Dad's Day Letter

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Dear Dad:

You know, it's about time I had a date with you. So this is to invite you to Oregon for a date. What a date that will be! Look, here are just some of the things we'll be doing the weekend of Feb. 6-8. Saturday night we'll dash up to Mac Court and watch Idaho get beaten by the Webfoot basketball squad. Saturday morning I'll buy you a cup of coffee in the S. U. fishbowl (you say I spend too much time there, but now it will be with you, so that's different, huh?)

They'll be having another big luncheon in the S.U. ballroom, for both students and dads. Our new Governor Patterson will speak then. Of course you'll go to the Dad's annual business meeting right after the luncheon, to elect officers and talk with President Newburn and others about "The University and Us."

Then I'll pick you up and we can roam around the campus. It looks pretty green right now. Eugene had a couple of showers. Our two new class buildings will amaze you—Commonwealth Hall and the Science Building. In fact, being so big and new they are a maze.

So far our date sounds like fun, doesn't it?

There's even more. The University Theatre is featuring the popular drama, "Death of a Salesman." I want to take you to it, so be sure to let me know when you're coming so I can get tickets.

As usual, the living organizations are having fathers for dinner. (I mean inviting fathers for dinner). That will probably be Sunday, after church.

That's all, except that the whole campus is alive planning on our "dates." Plan on that weekend, won't you, Dad?

Your studious income tax deduction,

11 a.m. "Confederacy, Confusion, Corruption" Western Seminary Quartet KASH Broadcast

7:30 p.m. "Whom Will Ye Serve?" Baptismal Service Youth Choir

Bible School 9:45 Fellowship Group 6:30 p.m.

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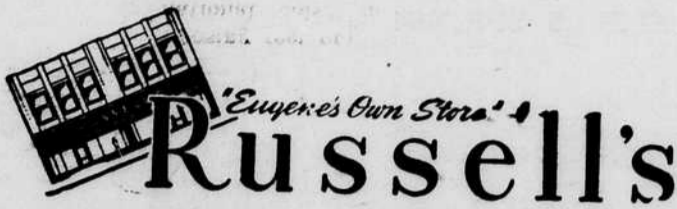
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Senate Rescinds Frosh Ballot Measure

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1) which referred the issue to the senate constitutional revision committee. Schmidt requested them to prepare an amendment to the constitution where it applies to class elections so that in the future the freshman will be allowed to employ the split idea.

After discussion on the ballot, the senate went on to approve the list of fall term ASUO expenses (total \$588.83) and hear a report by senator-at-large Francis Gillmore on the honor code. (See Budget Report, Page 6.)

The group was in the process of discussing Miss Gillmore's recommendations when it was discovered that the departure of several members had left it shy of a quorum. That ended the official meeting right there.

Miss Gillmore, a member of last year's honor code committee, said "she still believed in it" but now

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

L. C. Buxton, division personnel manager of the western division of Goodyear Rubber Tire company will be on campus Jan. 26 and 27 to interview men interested in sales positions.

Additional information and appointments may be obtained at the graduate placement office in Emerald hall.

The Portland civil service board announces an open competitive examination for police patrolmen. This job offers permanent appointment, salary increases and vacation and sick leave privileges. The monthly salary ranges from \$255 to \$313.

thinks that an indoctrination period of perhaps four years is needed.

(The honor code was "defeated" last year when the student body voted on it. It received a slim margin—53 per cent in favor out of 2027 votes—but not enough, the committee believed, to carry the plan out.)

The also suggested that a code might be instituted in the "400" courses only or on a departmental basis. These drew objection from E. R. Bingham, instructor in history and senate faculty member, who did not think the code "would filter down at all."

Bingham, also a member of last year's code committee, supports the idea of starting with freshman classes.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

9 a.m. Kellog Comm	334 SU
Noon German Table	111 SU
Phi Beta Cab	112 SU
Bennett Comm	114 SU
RE Week Lunch	113 SU
Kellog Lunch	110 SU
4 p.m. Fri at 4 Fishbowl SU	
Cargenie Sub Comm	315 SU
RE Week Ch	112 SU
7:30 Natl Hist Soc	16 Science
8 p.m. Florovsky Conf	
Dad's Lounge	SU
9 p.m. Fishbowl Mixer	
Fishbowl SU	