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Soapbox: Part II

Three men are aiming for top spot in the AGS primary next week. Today each has a few words to say and, when they've finished, we add our bit.

"Why do you want to be student body president?" That's probably the best question you can ask a candidate, and here's how I'd answer it.

I suppose that some noble and elevating sentiments clutch my soul, but my main motivation is very human. I honestly want to be student body president because the office is a great honor, and carries a certain amount of prestige. However, that honor and prestige do not come with election to the office. They come only after a full year of efficient and capable service in the office. If I did not think myself fully qualified to give this service. I would know that election would bring me not honor but embarrassment. I wouldn't run unless I was sure of my capabilities.

That's why I haven't made any promises that may prove impossible to fulfill. That's why I haven't promised to cure the ills for the Millrace, because I'm not sure our student government can.

Government can.

Of this I am sure: If I'm elected I'll earn my paycheck with work; I'll be a spokesman for the student body, even if the administration doesn't like what we think; I'll work for early fall rushing, which the University needs; I'll use common sense in making decisions, and I'll try to make the people who vote for me glad that they did.

Paul Lasker

There are two main factors to consider in choosing a candidate for ASUO President—his qualifications and his beliefs.

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First, let's discuss qualifications. Above all, I am a member of the Junior class, the first deferred living class. Next year, practically the entire student body will have had deferred living experience. Their president should have first-hand knowledge of the program in order to be more cognizant and receptive to deferred living problems. I feel my experiences in campus activities have been invaluable practice in getting people to work together toward a common goal, a quality the ASUO President must have.

Here are my beliefs. If elected, I would:

... take positive action toward the formation of a Northwest Federation of Collegiate Leaders for discussion of mutual problems relating to student government.

... do all possible toward strengthening the structure under deferred living. Two ways this could be done are: (1) the elimination of deferred rushing, and (2) the reinvestigation of the House Manager's Cooperative and the strong urging that this program be put into effect.

put into effect. . . stress action toward any means that would provide an adequate flow of water

through our Millrace. . exert positive and constructive effort toward making the Honor Code an eventual

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. . . work always toward strengthening and broadening student government.

In conclusion, the President of the ASUO should be one who represents the University of Oregon neatly, sincerely and intelligently. He should work diligently at his duties, yet be alert to suggestion and improvement. He should be forceful, yet humble. He should have the ability to stimulate Oregon students to greater and more mature interests. I feel that I can fulfill these requirements capably and willingly. I ask for your support.

This year, as in the past, there is no real issue on which to base a campaign platform. However, in many areas of student government there are problems, some new, some old, that to be solved will need continued effort on the part of the ASUO Senate and the Student Body President.

One of the most important is in the area of student activities. Under the present set-up the Senate has little power in determining the extent or limit of activities. Right now a Senate Committee is looking into this problem and continuous work toward the goal of putting more power in the hands of the Senate itself is something to strive for.

Secondly, continued effort should be made, not to instigate an Honor Code, but rather to work toward improving the present academic situation. The establishment of a test lile in the Library will be a step in this direction.

A continuance of the work done to improve the Millrace and establish the Millrace Park is of course, necessary.

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Last year the Senate investigated the matter of the University not having a ski team. I would certainly work with the Athletic Department, through the Senate, to try and semedy this situation.

Through my experience on the Senate and other campus organizations, I feel myself to be well qualified to fill the position of ASUO President, not only as it concerns the Senate, but also as related to the job of Public Relations for the University of Oregon

It has been decidedly a more difficult task to pick one out of three for president in the AGS primary. With UIS we felt it was a pretty clear case of one candidate standing above the others-not so here.

Jack Faust has told us that he expects to win. He apparently feels that his "trading"—which he doesn't deny—has paid off. Now, this is no particular condemnation of Jack because he's been promising things to various houses; certainly he's not the only one who's done it. Possibly in his position as AGS president he's had the advantage in making offers. We don't know.

But we do know this: that among those AGS people we know, there by Sbicca of California . . . made of raffia and hand-braided in gay has gone on. For this reason, they're uncertain of-him . . . and so are we. It makes us quite skeptical. We won't be too pleased with him . . . at Kaufman Brothers.—Adv. as our representative, if it comes to that—and it may, for he appears to be in a very strong position.

We'd pick Wrightson over him, if for no other reason than that we have doubts about Tom: We don't think that the job of student body president would mean as much to him as the other; he'd be capable, though certainly not inspired. The fact that he's quite willing to admit that he's only running because he's had the chance offered him, and really didn't consider it before, indicates to us that he's quite candid: Certainly, there are less desirable virtues than that.

Probably Faust would be equally capable as an administrator. Both "would do," as the saying goes, if they were the only ones running. But we think it fortunate that the aren't the only ones.

Paul Lasker also happens to be in the race . . . and we hope he stays in. To borrow a more recent saying, of known origin, "We're all Paul."

He's demonstrated to us, at least, that he's capable and qualified by his record. We have a feeling, a pretty strong one, too, that he would do a good job—what's more; that he, more than the other two, really wants the job and want to do right by it. We have faith in him, perhaps, to the point of being a little blind.

And we deem him no less realistic than Wrightson or Faust. He knows he can't give us the moon (or a six-mile current in the Millrace), but we think he'd go get it for us given half a chance.

He's a junior, a year behind the other two condidates, and while that doesn't necessarily mean much, in this case we think it mighta little more spirit, drive or whatever you might want to call it.

Sure, we've got a few reservations. While he's demonstrated his ability and, we feel, is the most "open minded" of the three, we're still not convinced he's the real leader some would have us believe. But we don't know Paul particularly well at this particular stage of the game-it's quite possible that he'll straighten us out on this count when we do.

AGS needs a good man to put up against Don Collin; they need someone who'll be able to represent not just the fraternity old guard but the whole party. We're convinced that Lasker is that man. We would like very much to see him come out on top. We certainly hope he does. -(J.H.)

Campus Briefs

• The original "State Fair," starring Janet Gaynor, Will Rogers and Lew Ayres is the feature movie to be shown in the SU ballroom at 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. Sunday. Admission is 30 cents.

Today is the last day to petition for the nine open positions on next year's Red Cross board, according to Joan Walker, president. Petitions are due at 5 p.m. and selection of new members will be made Monday at 4 p.m., Mise Walker said Miss Walker said.

 Rosemary Hampton, sophomore in speech, has been named Intercollegiate Associated Women Students representative, according to Judy McLoughlin, AWS presi-



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