

Recently L. H. Gregory, sports editor of The Oregonian, went to some length in his "Greg's Gossip" about the condition of the Oregon Daily Emerald. He was very much concerned about the sad financial plight into which a paper had fallen.

In an exchange of letters between Mr. Gregory and the journalism school, and the sports editor of the Emerald, and in a subsequent column, this much was established: the criticism was not directed at members of the present staff or their efforts. He was wondering (along a much different line of thought) why somebody hasn't been willing

Note to Friends and Critics

to help out with the Emerald's financial problems.

It's worth thinking about, certainly, when it becomes apparent that the paper doesn't have enough in the till to do an adequate job of covering the campus (and the Emerald would not, very definitely would not turn down the offer of a few thousand dollars to alleviate this situation.) But it is still true that the problems of this, or any other student paper, should be taken care of by the stu-

dents who run it, if humanly possible.

The point of all this? Well, it's beginning to look like the Emerald "turned the corner" financially several weeks ago. A \$460 debt which appeared to be with us for good was wiped out in just about a month. For the first time in God knows how many years the Emerald subcommittee of the Student Publications board met — gleefully — to decide what to do with too much money.

This does not mean the battle is over. It has, in fact, just begun and will continue until such time as the school's enrollment (and thus the fee allotment to the Emerald) has increased a good bit.

It doesn't mean that next year the eight page Emeralds of yesterday and today will become commonplace. But from what indications we have now, next year will be a better one for the paper.

We would like to think that the students, whose job and

whose responsibility this paper is, have done all this. L.H. Gregory is being very nice when he puts the blame on things and times past. But the friends and critics of this paper should realize that present bad times become the burden of the present staff—more important, that they also become the responsibility of the present staff if nothing is done about them.

We feel we have done something. Getting out eight pages is something. And we think much of what we have accomplished in the way of understanding the problem and getting back at it will be reflected in the Oregon Daily Emerald of 1953-54.

Will Our Faculty Act On the NAACP Issue?

After nearly a year the issue isn't settled.

But the question of whether the University should recognize a campus chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has grown to bigger proportions.

It's turned into an argument over the University's policy, through the Student Affairs Committee, in recognizing student organizations.

The Student Affairs Committee (SAC) twice refused the local NAACP group recognition, in June, 1952, and February, 1953. Before the final committee hearing, the group submitted 22 petitions, bearing more than 500 signatures of students who felt the NAACP merited a place on campus.

After the last refusal and a Register-Guard interview on the question with Joel V. Berreman, sociology professor and the group's advisor, the question came before the Faculty Senate.

Berreman said the primary point was not whether the NAACP should be recognized or not, but whether SAC policy in regard to recognition of student organizations was fair.

Donald M. DuShane, director of student affairs, and head of the committee, said the policy was that campus organizations should be directly connected with student life, and should contribute to the well-being of the University as a whole. Because they exist in a state, tax-supported institution, their objections and actions are necessarily limited. He also expressed concern about the national affiliation of the group, and feared the organization might want to use the University's name for purposes of prestige.

The Faculty Senate agreed with Berreman that this policy should be looked into. It appointed a committee, headed by R. T. Ellickson, physical department head, to study the problem.

All indications are that the committee will report to the Faculty Senate at its regular meeting next Wednesday.

Assuming that the committee recommends a change in SAC recognition policy, the question arises as to just what the Faculty Senate can do about it.

SAC, despite its confusing name and makeup (eight faculty, four students) is a faculty committee. As such it is theoretically responsible to the faculty as a whole. It has no legal connection with the Office of Student Affairs, although DuShane and his assistants are represented on the committee.

George Belknap, secretary of the faculty for many years, explains it this way. When the school was smaller, all student problems, for example petitions for requirements waivers, came before the faculty as a whole. Now that the school has grown, the faculty works through its committees, one of which is SAC. The Faculty Senate also is a concession to this increased size.

If the Faculty Senate approved an unfavorable report by Ellickson's committee, it could conceivably order SAC to change its policy. Or it might take the matter to the faculty as a whole.

Belknap emphasized that there is no precedent for such action, and this case might well set a standard for future problems.

Thir plight is being debated in other quarters. The YWCA had a discussion group on the problem last term. Next Thursday, the Young Democrats plan a forum on the NAACP question, with both sides represented.

These two groups, as well as most others on campus, could conceivably be given the same interpretation under the SAC policy that the NAACP suffers from now. It's not likely that they would be, since they are different kinds of organizations, and not concerned with so incendiary an issue.

From any side this is more than a question of self-interest. We hope that the problem of whether the NAACP itself should not be recognized will stay in the background. And that the University's policy regarding recognition of student organizations will be settled in accordance with democratic principles.

More Trouble for That Blasted 'O'

The University of Oregon's big cement signature, looking down Willamette street from its perch on Skinner's Butte, is causing all sorts of trouble that it never intended to cause.

Constructed on the butte in 1909 by the junior class of that year, it was meant to be a symbol of the University. It has been that for the more than 50 years of its existence—and more, much more.

As a target for rival paint brushes, it has changed colors on perhaps fifty different occasions. In 1949 someone estimated that it had been painted no less than 120 times. And way, way back when . . . in 1911, students from OSC refurbished it with tar.

Changing the design of the cement block "O" is also not a new gimmick. Years and years ago a visiting University of California baseball team turned it into a "C"—but, again, with paint. The idea of changing its design by removing a smaller or larger portion of it with explosives is new.

The "O" has apparently undergone "dynamite surgery" on three occasions — in 1949 when a small

chunk was blasted out of the lower right-hand corner, in the spring of 1952 when it was turned into a "C," and last week when the bottom section was blown away.

This method is much noisier and more dramatic than painting. It presents another problem which some Eugene residents living on or near the butte felt reason enough to ask its removal.

The blasts which tore into it last week were not the "full treatment" intended by its destroyers. Twenty-one unexploded sticks were also found at the site — still there, said a county explosive expert, because those who planted them didn't know their work very well. Whatever the reason, residents of the vicinity and most of down-town Eugene could feel extremely fortunate.

Had they gone off, according to Police Chief Ted Brown, rocks and cement chunks would have been hurled "half way down Willamette street."

Feeling that the "O" will remain a temptation for irresponsible persons who don't think

of the consequences, Dr. Eva Frazier Johnson was circulating a petition this week to have the source of the temptation removed — the "O" itself. She thinks the blasting will continue and that not much can be done about it. Brown admits that the police will take every precaution to protect it but that complete protection would be "practically impossible."

Accents

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Alex

from Kaufman Bros.

Kaufman Bros. in Eugene features this week — Jantzen — the topic of clothes conversation the world over . . .

TERRY-CLOTH PLAYTOGS

Terry cloth has risen to first place in "play clothes magic" this season and Jantzen takes advantage of this switch by presenting a new line in terry cloth playtogs. In Jantzen's latest original—a terry cloth beach robe you're sure to be "the only pebble on the beach." With three quarter length sleeves and an open down the front effect with a single button at the neck . . . this number is priced at only \$7.95.

Something new in sun-wear is this new wardrobe "must" called a "Terry-All" . . . A complete coverall outfit . . . with legs peddle-pusher length and three quarter length sleeves . . . and a clever insert of navy blue elastic at the waistline.

White terry cloth shorts with matching bra is the ideal attire for the bathing beauty . . . She can certainly be proud of her Jantzen originals and their smart navy blue elastic trim. With navy blue stripes down the side of the pants and around the waist . . . this outfit can truly be said to have "a lot of zeal in eye-appeal." Shorts are only . . . \$4.95 and matching bras are . . . \$2.95.

To switch off with your terry cloth bra . . . Jantzen has designed a white beachcombing shirt with a v-neck . . . navy collar . . . and a red and white stripe insert at the neck . . . For beachcombing or for sun bathing protection . . . you need one of these stylish shirts . . . only \$3.95.

DENIM DATA

Denim also ranks high on the list of fashion fabrics for summer wear. Everyone is talking about Jantzen's peddle pushers . . . They come in charcoal, faded blue, peacock blue and brown . . . \$4.95. Black and white checked denim is also produced in both peddle pushers and shorts. Shorts are priced at \$3.50. (belted and non-belted). A long short called "denim Hy-Kicks" is also made by Jantzen in various shades and sells for \$3.95.

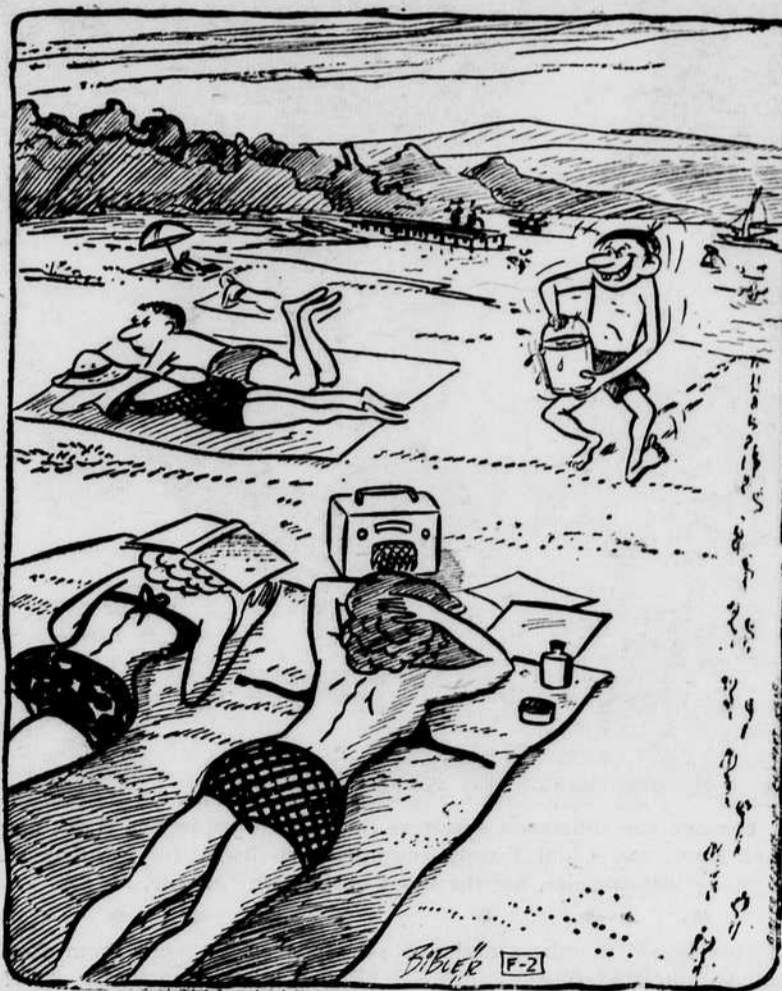
Next week . . . Accents by Alex will feature four new styles in Jantzen swim wear.

FOR THE TAN-FAN

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