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Remember Us, Too

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An open letter to: R. E. Kleinsorge, Henry F. Cabell, G. F. Chambers, Edgar W. Smith, Mrs. E. B. MacNaughton, A. S. Grant, Herman Oliver, Leif Finseth, and William E. Walsh.

Dear members of the state board of higher education: As you begin interviews of candidates for president of Oregon today, we hope that you will keep the wishes of the students in mind. We have a big stake in this, too.

You are considering important qualifications in selecting the new president—including academic training, administrative experience, thinking on problems common to university heads, and relations with faculty and the general public.

We hope that you won't overlook some qualifications of particular interest to Oregon students. All of us, of course, want the best possible president in all respects. We want a man who will stand up well in the light of such considerations as experience, relations with faculty, and all other qualifications which you seek.

But, as students, we also hope that the new president will:

- 1. Be able to devote some time to meeting with student groups and informal contact with students.

H. K. Newburn, as president, always regretted that his busy schedule never permitted him enough time to get acquainted with students. He realized the value of close student-president relations.

Newburn was an excellent president. It was unfortunate that the students were mostly ignorant and indifferent about the role of the University's head administrator.

- 2. Maintain a steady interest in responsible student desires and student activities. We hope that the new president will be receptive to student feeling on faculty, course, and allied matters.

We would like him to be also receptive to opinions expressed by such groups as the ASUO senate, the student union board, the Emerald, inter-fraternity council, inter-dorm council, and heads of houses.

We recognize that the president has designated representatives to work with these groups, but a reasonable amount of active interest on his part helps to promote a progressive situation.

- 3. Carry on a sound philosophy toward academic and extra-curricular life at Oregon, as Newburn did. An example: healthy encouragement of the athletic program, but not subverting the educational objectives of the University.

These are not the only characteristics of a good president at Oregon, obviously. But we feel that they should be among those qualifications considered.

Sincerely yours,
Oregon Daily Emerald



"Sometimes I question the reliability of those vocational tests."

Letters to the Editor

No Argument

Emerald Editor:

During the past few days, two letters have appeared in the "Emerald" — both emotionally toned; one, an attack on a student leader concerning his presentation of a talk which concerned discrimination in fraternities, and one which heaps abuse on the fraternity system as being undemocratic, exclusive, non-intellectual, juvenile, and narrow.

I have noticed—and I will admit, with some admiration—that no letters of rebuttal have come from the Oregon fraternity system; I would guess that they feel as I do—that it is a rather futile and petty thing to argue via a newspaper about characteristics of fraternities . . . not futile because the fraternity system has no point of argument, but because argument does no good—only harm. Argument, like these letters, leads to feelings of unpleasantness between Independent and Greek. I think that instead of straining relations, we on the Oregon campus are interested in bettering relations.

Thus, the so-called "Greeks" of Oregon will probably not give the writers of these two letters the argument they are looking for; nor will I.

William F. Denman
National Committeeman
and Chapter Adviser
Phi Kappa Sigma
Fraternity

Fraternities Broadening

Emerald Editor:

After reading the opinions of the several embittered, disillusioned and ill-informed independents on campus, we feel the time has come to inform the poor unfortunates as to the Greek views on life, etc.

First we may remind the young man whose letter appeared in yesterday's Emerald that not all fraternity men are juvenile delinquents and mental dwarfs. Most of the brilliant and successful men graduating from Oregon in the past few years have been, at one time or another, associated with fraternities.

Mr. Crow has made a miserable and incorrect statement to the effect that fraternities tend to keep one's mind from being broadened. We feel that a fraternity broadens one more than any other college experience.

The close daily contact with other students may not improve one intellectually, but the benefits derived in regard to better understanding of people and a broadening of personalities are immeasurable.

We might also say in closing that our fraternity and at least six others on campus not only have constitutional clauses banning any sort of racial discrimination, but practice tolerance in every single case.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity

Regular Letters Receive Wings

(P) - The post office department put wings on tons of regular three cent letters and two cent postcards Tuesday.

If the tests are successful, the service will be expanded. It's based on the idea of buying up empty space on the airlines at low rates. The big "air lift" experiment is designed to speed up delivery of first class mail between major American cities.

Carried by plane, the letters were expected to be delivered about 24 hours earlier than if they'd been sent by train. The first class mail was flown without benefit of six cent air mail stamps, on flights between Washington and Chicago and Chicago and New York.

Postmaster General Summerfield hopes eventually to get all first class mail sent by air between major cities.

Summerfield said it won't mean the end of the six cent air mail stamp. Letters carrying the air stamps are sure of being sent by air and have a priority on delivery over regular mail.

The experiment brought a protest from the AFL national postal transport association. It claims to represent 30,000 postal transportation clerks.

The union said the new service will bring what it called "chaos in the orderly transportation of mail." The union's executive board said the experiment would never have been started if it were not for what it termed "The open and hidden subsidization of the air line industry."

The union contends that railway post office cars, with clerks sorting the mail en route, would continue to provide the best guarantee of efficient postal service.

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4 pm Gamma Alpha Chi	111 SU
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6:15 Frosh dessert	213 SU
7:00 Educ Movie	138 SW
7:30 Sq. Dance	Gerl Annex
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Littman, Associate Publish Psych Text

Richard Littman, assistant professor of psychology, is the co-author of a psychology workbook recently published to accompany "Introduction to Psychology," a textbook by Ernest R. Hilgard of Stanford university.

Richard C. Teevan of the University of Michigan co-operated with Littman on the book published by Harcourt, Brace and company of New York.

Attend Conference

Four members of the school of education staff left Tuesday to attend educational meetings in Salem and Ashland. P. B. Jacobson, dean of the school of education, and D. E. Tope, director of the Kellogg project, will address the Oregon School board.

A. C. Hearn, associate professor of education, and L. F. Millhollen, assistant professor of education, are attending the meeting of the High School Principals' association.

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also
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Dad's Club To See Grid Movie in SU

Members of the Oregon Dad's club of Lane county will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday in the SU ballroom, according to L. L. Erdman, president.

Movies of the Oregon-Nebraska football game will be shown, with comments by Len Casanova, head football coach, and other members of the coaching staff. Refreshments will also be served at the stag meeting.

RE Petitions Due Friday

Friday is the deadline for petitions for Religious Evaluation week, according to Barbara Swanson, general chairman of the 1954 event.

Chairmen are needed for the personal conference, assemblies and arrangements committees.

Students are also needed to work on the following committees: arrangements, assemblies, book display, classroom, finance, fireside, hospitality, luncheon, personal conference, promotion, publicity, Sunday night dinner and worship. Petitions may be turned in to Miss Swanson at Carson hall or to the YMCA office in the Student Union.

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