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Letters to the Editor

On Campus 'Idiots'

Emerald Editor:

In answer to Mr. Name Withheld By Request and his article concerning the "idiots" on this campus, we would like to give the opposite viewpoints.

It seems that the person who wrote the letter that appeared in the Oct. 26th Emerald wants our ceaseless energy to find its way to the sports field or into the classroom — after giving the matter grave consideration, we do not feel that we would be of too much assistance to our Oregon football team out on the turf. Perhaps Mr. Name Withheld By Request would like the women of our campus to form new and better games such as "Ring around the bathtub."

He asks if we are in a University or a Juvenile Detention home. We maintain that we are

in a much better position than those who have the misfortune of being juvenile home residents and do not have the freedom of releasing their energy in whatever way they choose.

We too understand that college is primarily for educational purposes, but is an education or a University complete without the activities that make college life traditional? Perhaps we won't all become future leaders of America but we would like to make a suggestion to those who may try — Moronic chants, noise parades, and pep rallies seem to have proved successful in the past . . . and as for the individual whose letter we are answering . . . we suggest that he be taken in on a 502 . . . OVER-ACTING.

Marilyn Parrish
Patti Weitzman

Disturbed by Election

Emerald Editor:

I too was disturbed by last week's unseemly commotion during the election campaigns for Joe College and Betty Co-ed. Since I was in the infirmary I not only did NOT plan to participate in the election; I DID plan to rest. Therefore, I was unable to appreciate the enthusiasm of the noisy crowds beneath my window.

My parents were in Eugene last week. I'm glad they didn't happen to witness the unseemly behavior of my fellow students. They might have wondered why I choose to live here among so many "idiots." (quotation borrowed from previous letter on same subject.)

Now you may contend that all the inharmonious noise produced during the campaign was just so much harmless "letting off of steam" or "using up of surplus energy." But I contend that there is a great variety of methods

for utilizing this "surplus energy," and that some methods are far superior to others. Where but on a college campus can you find such a variety of special interest groups, nearly all of them open to whoever desires to participate? No one who actively participates in several campus clubs, attends occasional social functions and keeps up with studies will have much time for parading through the streets honking horns. And of course his or her activities will be more constructive and permanently satisfying than the horn-honking type.

The conduct of the Joe College-Betty Co-ed election campaign (including the descriptions of the candidates in Friday's Emerald) and even the presence of such a campaign on the campus indicate an inversion of classical collegiate values. A university exists primarily to enable students to

The Talented Type



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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Members of the finance committee of the United Independent Students party will meet at 12:30 p.m. today at the College Side Inn, according to Chairman Russ Cowell.

A meeting of Theta Sigma Phi members has been called for Thursday noon in the Student Union by President Kitty Fraser.

Members of the Hawaiian Club meet tonight at 8 on the third floor of Gerlinger hall, according to an announcement by Lorna Murakawa.

All veterans on the Korean GI Bill have been asked by the director of Veterans Affairs in Emerald hall to come in and sign their application of allotment today.

The YMCA cabinet is to meet tonight at 8 at the YM offices in the Student Union for a dessert meeting at the home of Russ Walker, executive secretary.

The annual law school smoker will be held tonight at the Student Union. The law school faculty will be present and all Oregon students are invited to attend. Entertainment and refreshments will be provided.

The Homecoming finance committee will meet today at 4 p.m. in Student Union 313, according to Milan Foster, committee chairman.

Members of the poster subcommittee of the Student Union publicity committee will meet at 4 p.m. today in SU 312, according to Chairman Becky Fortt.

The Student Union movie committee will meet Thursday at 4 p.m. in the SU, according to Barbara Wilcox, committee chairman.

The Associated Women Students' congress will meet today at 4 p.m. in the Student Union, according to Jean Mauro, vice president of the group. Miss Mauro has asked that a representative from each living organization be present for the meeting.

The movie "Ten Days That Shook the World" will be shown beginning tonight at 7 in Commonwealth 138. The movie, part of the educational movie series, is a historical re-creation of the Russian Revolution by Sergei Eisenstein. A second showing will be held at 9 p.m.

Deadline for petitions for the Homecoming variety show committee is Friday at 5 p.m. Interested students are asked to petition for either the talent, business or technical parts of the show, according to Don Crawford, co-chairman of the show.

pursue and complete certain courses of study. All else, no matter how important, is subordinate to the primary purpose.

But when we elect a Joe College and a Betty Co-ed we are idolizing something called personality, which is related to extra-curricular activities but unrelated to scholastic activities.

There's a place for fun on a college campus, but let's remember what we're here for and keep fun in its place.

Helen Talbot

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Rev. Herb Butt, Bible expositor and evangelist, will speak on "Are You Sure You're a Christian?" at the initial meeting of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship today, 7 p.m., in the Student Union.

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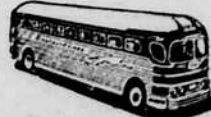
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