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Student Court: On Trial?

"If they can take my two dollars, they can take my 1953 Oldsmobile."

That's the principle upon which J. Kelly Farris, senior in law and the student court's current antagonist, bases his case against the court's jurisdiction to fine students for parking violations.

Since the court cannot provide jury trial upon demand of the defendant, Farris said, and since a fine cannot be legally deducted from a student's breakage fee deposit (the act is depriving one of property without due process), the court is acting illegally.

These do not comprise Farris' complete case against the court's action, but they indicate the central core of it. Comes now the cases of the clients of Bach, Montague, and Farris, self-appointed trio from the law school who will defend students appearing before the court, if said students so desire.

Carl Weber, chairman of the court, emphasizes the informal nature of the court, the fact that it tries to work with the students to improve the parking situation at Oregon. Donald M. DuShane, director of student affairs, has stressed the role of the student traffic court in increasing the area of student government.

The complete motive behind Farris' actions? We don't know. We would guess that he mixes concern for the law and the rights of citizens (students) with professional interest, although we have no idea in what proportion.

Whatever the motive, of course, the issue has to be judged on its objective merits. Is the student court (by authority of the University) fining student traffic violators in violation itself of federal and state law? Farris says it is. Weber says the student court is acting in good faith, and is benefitting students at Oregon.

If there are conclusive grounds that the student court and the University are acting contrary to law in fining students for traffic violations, then we would like to see that clearly established. We do not regard all law as irrevocable gospel, but we dislike any start toward ignoring it when it is designed to protect personal rights.

And if the student court should be proved legally powerless to fine students (and we don't know that it could be), we hope that student court activity would be worked out in its place and other student government activity supplement to it. Although student government activity in the student court isn't the millenium (and thus its importance must be judged against that of the legal principle being put forth), more student government means more independent thinking by students.

As for the student court, we want it to exist, but only if it has a clear legal foundation.



"At least all the co-eds seem attracted to you—that's more than I can say myself."

Letters to the Editor

Brubeck Concert

Emerald Editor:
I am writing this letter in regard to the indifferent response which has been awarded the coming jazz concert. This concert will feature the greatest alto saxophonist in the world; one Charlie Parker, and The Dave Brubeck Quartet will form the other half of this sparkling jazz attraction. This is the first time to my knowledge that such jazz artists have ever performed at the University of Oregon and it will be the last time if this concert is not given the support of the students.

Concerts of this type have been presented at UCLA, California and other schools, and have received a merited support. Although the University of Oregon is not as jazz minded as other schools, I feel that it is the duty of the students to support this event. It will be an insult to these great modern jazzists, who are playing for the ridiculously low admission price of 85 cents, if the Student Union is not filled next Wednesday night.

Even if you do not understand modern jazz you should plan to attend this concert. You will be in for an exciting and entertaining evening which will be both enlightening and interesting.

Jerry Beall

Amazons Figure In Contract With Eugene Schools

The Amazon housing project will become the property of the Eugene school district in 1965 because of a contract between the University and the school district, J. Orville Lindstrom, business manager of the University, disclosed in an interview this week.

The property, valued at \$65,000, was exchanged for a 20-year right to have student teachers practice teaching in the Eugene secondary schools.

Eight apartments on the north end of the project will become the district's property in 1960. The University intends to use the buildings until that time, said Lindstrom.

Although the agreement was made in 1950, the student teaching program did not start until Eugene high school was completed this fall.

University high school, now being remodeled for the School of Education, could not be closed until it was certain that the University would have a school to which practice teachers could be sent.

Lindstrom pointed out that University high school would give the University a \$200,000 building for classrooms.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Amphibians will meet tonight at 7:30 in Gerlinger hall, according to Darlene Hammer, reporter for the group.

Alpine Club Slates Climbing Lessons

Sunday afternoon sessions of the University Alpine club have been scheduled in order to learn rock climbing techniques and more advanced work, according to Tom Taylor and John Vazbys, co-chairmen of the group.

A rock climbing school was held recently at Coburg Caves where fundamentals of rock climbing including rappelling, or roping down, belaying and some third class rock climbing, were practiced.

Regular meetings of the club are held Thursdays at 4 p.m. in the Student Union or further information about the climbs can be obtained from Taylor or Vazbys.

Association Denied

Emerald Editor:

We wish to exonerate ourselves of the deplorable actions and conduct of numerous members of Alpha Hall. Let us make it quite clear that not all of the men of Alpha Hall are immature enough to be consistently inconsiderate. Those who are not of this caliber do not wish to be associated with the undesirable name and reputation which Alpha Hall has attained.

We represent a small portion of that group and therefore humbly submit this letter as an apology for those who are responsible.

However, let us make it quite clear that although we do apologize for the action of those who are responsible, the primary purpose of this letter is to declare ourselves as innocent and distinctly separate from this group of "Alphoholics." It is only by living here that we are in any way to be associated with these people or their action.

Robert S. Bonham
J. Jay Shinohara
Jim Bagby
Harold Starkel
Lee Jackson

Campus Calendar

9:00 Med Tests	Ballrm SU
Noon Spanish Tbl	111 SU
Yeomen	112 SU
4:00 AWS Auc Comm	110 SU
7:00 Queen Judge	110 SU
Queen Wait	111 SU
Phi Mu	Gerl 2nd Fl

US View of World Coffee Hour Topic

Topic for discussion at the third foreign student coffee hour will be "As We in the United States View the World," concerning the United States' Foreign Policy and International Relations.

The discussion, at 4 p.m. Thursday in the Student Union, will be led by Gordon Wright, professor of history; M. D. Wattles, assistant professor of economics; Wallace Baldinger, associate professor of art and architecture; L. G. Seligman, assistant professor of political science; and Sandra Price, president of Mortar Board.

Oregon Graduate Wins Fellowship

Mary Lewis, 1949 graduate of the University, has been awarded a Louis Comfort Tiffany fellowship from the National Academy of Design, according to Hobart Nichols, president of the academy.

Miss Lewis' research project will be a study of the collections of sculpture in several European museums.

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