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## Don't Miss the Boat

Man and his religion take the spotlight this week in campus life during the annual Religious Evaluation week. Leaders in religious fields, representing seven denominations and two religions, are expressing their beliefs. They are meeting with students to answer questions and to formulate a common ground of meeting for young minds and old ideas.

There are those who call this nation's universities "godless" and decry the attitude of this younger generation towards God.

There are those who say this world of the 20th century is too materialistic and too concerned with the things of this world. There are those who say the fruits of science have contributed to the delinquency and waywardness of America in terms of religious life. There are those who say that "gadgets" not "God" will reign in our future civilization.

How do these accusations fit into the framework of your religious beliefs? RE week is an excellent time for housecleaning of your own spiritual conceptions. An organized program of evaluation provides opportunities to ask the questions and clarify doubtful points existing in your own mind concerning religion.

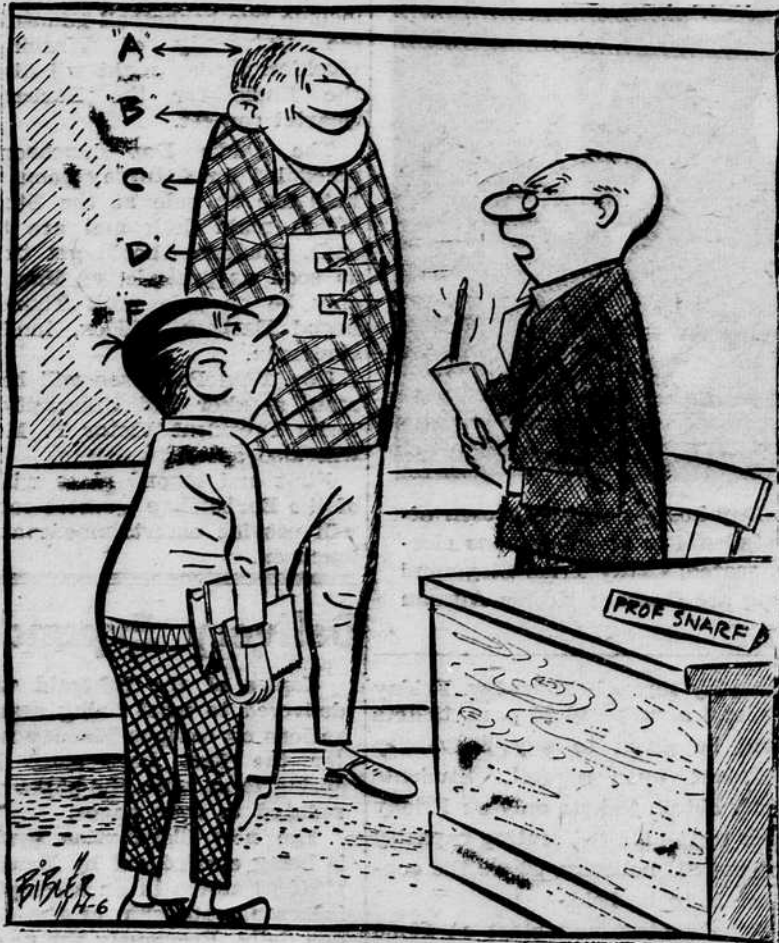
Religion is not something which can be taken for granted. Nor is it something which can be ignored. Ignorance of the spiritual side of man, whatever your own personal beliefs, is unthinkable in a truly educated person. For surely, if we are unacquainted with religious works and thoughts, we are breaking faith not only with man's spirit, but with our own proclamations at this university of what education should do for man.

Evaluation of religious beliefs is a necessity. We have only to refer to the Middle Ages of Europe to illustrate that, without questioning and evaluation, religious beliefs tend to become meaningless and religion exists only as dogmatic sayings and empty rituals.

Time is precious on any university campus and there are many facets of campus life vying for each student's attention. But this extensive program of RE week is an opportunity which no college student can afford to miss.

Freedom of worship is not freedom to ignore. Rather, it is freedom to seek and pursue one's own beliefs. And, in that framework, our university religious services present RE week and, in that same framework, students should participate in this evaluation.—(E.S.)

## Casaba Curve



"So I happen to enjoy basketball—what's that to do with the way I grade in this class."

## Letters to the Editor

### Box Office, Not Art

Emerald Editor:  
In the editorial space of the Thursday, January 14, 1954, edition of the Emerald appeared an article entitled "The Looking-Glass." The name of the author was omitted. As that article was contrary to Christian men's sense of decency, I feel compelled to express my opinion — addressed to the author. It follows.

You comment on the movie "The Moon is Blue." As far as anyone but myself is concerned, it is not for me to say whether it is "good" or "bad". However, the producers of the movie thought only one line of it — "Will you seduce me?" — worth advertising.

Why did the producers choose to stress this one line? The answer, of course, is obvious — and one wonders with what spiningling perversity an audience will wait out an entire play for this one line.

The so-called sex movies are made sexy for just one reason. That reason is not art; it is box office. The movies form the chief means of education for many, too many, of our citizens. What are they taught? What reason should there be for teaching it? Box office?

Your next comment concerns the Legion of Decency. You describe it as "powerful and unreasonable." Let me say that the Legion of Decency offers its opinion of specific motion pictures and the reader is free to accept or reject it. What is "powerful and unreasonable" about expressing an opinion?

In the ancient pagan theater there was no censorship. The murder scenes, etc., were often real Christianity opposed that; Christ established a moral code. It is this code which the Legion of Decency uses for its guide. The pledge of the Legion of Decency should be administered in every Christian Church.

You ask the question, "who is to say what is to be detrimental?" In other words, who is to tell us what is "good" or what is "bad?" The answer is clear. Did not Christ say to His Apostles, "go forth and teach all nations?" Would you deny Christ?

George J. Wolfe

### Plea for Waldo

Emerald Editor:  
DEAR THETA CHI'S — No!! A thousand times no! I beg, I implore and beseech you! Tear down Deady, set fire to Villard, blast away the "O" and picket Maxie's, but don't touch a hair on Waldo's proud head. Waldo is one of the few traditions that is really a tradition, besides being a friend to me and a classmate. As he sleeps by the pioneer mother one wonders who was there first. Take a look at the good things about him.

Number one is publicity — conduct a poll sometime of the people who know of him — it's staggering — This fall I happened to be introduced to a person who attends an out-of-state university. He said, "You go to Oregon, huh. Say, isn't that where they have that funny big dog called Walter?"

Think of the times he has aided conversation by his antics from a struggling boy-meet-girl coke date to a half-hour lecture by some professor who is grasping for something to say. In his own small circle he has contributed as much to good old Amer-

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ican humor as Bob Hope, Jerry Lewis, and Zsa Zsa Gabor.

It's just downright cruel to "bump off" a mastiff like Waldo — he should live to a ripe old age and die with a look of complete nonchalance—a look which seems to be strived for at Oregon and which is a natural part of Waldo.

He completely ignores the fact that he is a dog. He amazes the science department, drives psychology majors into deep intellectual thought and could Pavlov have seen him, he would have fainted dead away.

Unfortunately, I have no constructive advice to help the problem, except, have you ever thought of pulling all of his back teeth, and feeding him Gerber's?

Name Withheld by request

### YW Representatives To Meet Wednesday

A meeting for all house and dorm YWCA representatives has been scheduled for 4 p. m. Wednesday at Gerlinger hall, according to Eileen Lindblad, YW executive director.

Representatives are to talk to the girls in their houses before the meeting and bring the membership cards that they have received. The yellow membership cards which are to be given to the representatives will possibly be ready for distribution according to Miss

### Campus Calendar

- 7:30 RE Wk Info disk
- Lobby, 2nd fl SU
- 8:00 RE Pstrs & Fac 110 SU
- RE Spkrs & Com 112 SU
- Noon Soc Staff 112 SU
- Deseret Cl 113 SU
- Theta Sig Phi 114 SU
- SU Pub Exec 313 SU
- Lect Com Com Lunch
- 12:30 Psi Chi 334 SU
- 1:00 UIS 315 SU
- Harvey Asbly Ballrm SU
- 3:00 Nwcmrs Tea Ger 2nd fl
- 4:00 Panhel Exec 112 SU
- Harvey Cof Hr Dsrn SU
- 5:45 Pi Sig Alph Ger 2nd fl
- 6:30 APO 113 SU
- ASUO-SU S Cm 315 SU
- 7:00 Christian Sci Ger 1st fl
- 7:30 Lodewick Cnct 202 SU
- PAD Ger 3rd fl
- 8:00 Hui O 334 SU

## Houses Burn In Experiment

(ACP)—Firemen from throughout the state of Maryland watched the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Delta Tau Delta houses at the University of Maryland burn to the ground last week. The houses were burned "to get factual information on how a fire spreads through a building."

Scientific equipment was installed in the houses to record temperatures in different rooms. A new type nozzle, emitting a fine spray that turns to steam when it reaches the heat, was experimented with.

The director of the university's fire extension service, who set the fires, called the experiment a success. "We were glad to see it go, as we were under a great handicap living there," the SAE president commented.

## Mexico Offers Accredited School

For the second time, an accredited bi-lingual summer school sponsored by the Universidad Autonoma da Guadalajara and members of the Stanford faculty will be offered in Guadalajara, Mexico, June 27 to Aug. 7, 1954.

Offerings include art, creative writing, folklore, geography, history, language and literature courses. The cost of six-weeks tuition plus board and room comes to \$225.

For further information, students may write to Professor Juan B. Rael, Box K, Stanford university, Calif.

## Listening In ... On KWAX

- 6:00 p. m. Sign On
- 6:03 Piano Moods
- 6:15 Four for a Quarter
- 6:30 News Till Now
- 6:45 Sports Shots
- 7:00 19th Century Italian Mus.
- 8:00 Patrioscript
- 8:15 UN Story
- 8:30 Voices of Europe
- 9:00 Kwaxworks
- 10:50 News Till Now
- 10:55 Tune to Say Goodnight
- 11:00 Sign Off

## UNITED AIR LINES

invites

the women of the University of Oregon to a showing of a color-sound motion picture entitled,

"SCOTTY WINS HER WINGS"

This film depicts the real life story of a Stewardess — her selection, her training and her duties.

Stewardess Representative, Betty Hanneman, of United Air Lines, will be on campus at the same time to discuss a Stewardess career.



FILM: "Scotty Wins Her Wings"  
TIME: Tues., Jan. 19, 1954, 3:00  
PLACE: 138 Commonwealth

For further information call the

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