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Dog Eat Dog

If you were down in the fishbowl Tuesday afternoon instead of in the Dad's lounge, you missed one of the biggest shows in campus politics we've seen in our two years at Oregon.

It was dog eat dog at the ASUO sponsored coffee hour and everybody seemed to attack the two candidates for ASUO president. Every vested interest on campus was well represented and a majority of the fifty or sixth students in attendance were there with their own particular axes to grind.

Three primary issues which seem to be emerging in this campaign boil down to:

1. Should such programs as the University exchange assembly be censored? (Hollis Ransom, UIS candidate, says no; Bob Summers, AGS candidate, says yes.)
2. Should athletic cards have pictures printed on them? (Both candidates say no.)
3. Should the voters junk the present all-campus primary and let the parties nominate their own candidates in any way they see fit? (Ransom says no; Summers says yes.)

AGS had such staunch party leaders as Bob Glass, Bob Pollock and Bob McCracken planted in the audience to put Ransom on the spot when it came to expressing opinions on the all-campus primary.

Just to make things interesting, NAACP was there, questioning candidates about their opinions on discriminatory clauses in campus living organizations. Both candidates expressed the opinion that student government, as an outside power, could take no action on removing these clauses.

Since the recognition of NAACP on this campus, its getting so a person can't sneeze without a member of the group coming around to check on whether we're being intolerant. Certainly we think racial discrimination is a problem that must be recognized, but no antagonistic group of sociology majors is going to get those clauses removed from any house until the house members themselves are ready to make the move.

To make things even more exciting, some disillusioned married students were at the meeting (whom we were glad to see) querying the candidates as to "What are you going to do about us. We think your platforms are childish. We want to see some real issues."

We thought Bob Summers' explanation of what student government is attempting to do was excellent. We are trying to handle things that are directly in our student area, was in effect what he had to say.

"We're learning to crawl before we try to walk," was a quotable quote Summers used.

And the retort that married and older students were tired of crawling and wanted to walk doesn't go over so big. We think as far as campus politics go, this group hasn't been walking or crawling. They've been sitting.

This despite the fact that at least UIS has made a concentrated effort to contact off-campus students to get their opinions on platform issues — with very little response.

The only thing we can say after that session is "Who said student government and campus politics aren't interesting?"

This Is A Dagger . . . ?



"Frankly you didn't do too well on your tests, but I see your committee has reached a decision."

Letters to the Editor

Vodvil for What?

Emerald Editor:

Vodvil for what? With the theme "Hands Across the Sea" and the proceeds going to the World University Service, I was disappointed by the acts presented in the vodvil last Friday night. Here, after all, was an opportunity to stress friendship and goodwill between races and nationalities. (I think Alpha Chi Omega came closest with their bit of drama, "Magic on the Moors.")

It is to our credit that there was no minstrel show this year, but it is regrettable that we had, instead, the African dance number ("Old Faces of '54" — Delta Gamma). How is it that this sorority was unaware of the hideous racial stereotype which they portrayed and, as the African student's letter pointed out, the gross misrepresentation of African culture?

It seems that sororities and fraternities, with their respective clauses, are bound to limit their knowledge of non-white peoples and cultures.

Steve Talbot

Belief in Biology

Emerald Editor:

Day unto day, my experiences convince me that the teachings of Biology are true. I believe in Evolution. I believe in the dogma of Inherited Trait.

About 2000 years ago, Julius Caesar spent his life fighting to keep the Wild Barbarians of the European wilderness from breaking in on Rome.

The chronicles of Abd-ar-Rahma reveal that the Arabs in 700 A. D. went to Europe to spread Civilization: they found smelly, hairy Infidels crawling in caves. The only sport that those dirty Infidels knew, testified the chronicles, was to jump like frogs round their feast fires to which they fed pine cones. As they jumped about, they enlivened their heathen sport with shrieking sounds and weird noises. But the kind Arabs taught them their first note of music.

In 1600 A. D., the progeny of those Barbarians and Infidels spread throughout our good old planet, raising Cain wherever they went. As late as 50 years ago, they were still hysterically stalking Indians across the Prairies and keeping scores on the kill. Even a few years ago in the Goode Olde Dixieland, they were still dragging helpless "niggers" to the lynch post, hanging them amidst the cheerful howling and yelling of a mob, hysterical with lust for blood.

Today, the Barbarians express themselves in their love of Heathen culture and Pagan art. It is too bad that evolution is not yet complete and there are a few Barbarians still around at Delta Gamma. Let us hope that Music and Dance, the great gifts of the good people of Africa to Humanity, will someday help to transform them into useful homo sapiens.

Gamili Ibom

Honorable Profession

Emerald Editor:

Open letter to the president of Phi Delta Theta:

We were rather horrified to see your portrayal of the honorable profession of Private Investigators in the vodvil Friday night. We feel that you have a warped conception of the science of crim-

Campus Calendar

Noon	White Caps	111 SU
	French Tbl	112 SU
	Phi Alpha Delta	113 SU
3:00	Hui O	111 SU
4:00	Red Cross Bd	112 SU
	SU Bd	337 SU
7:00	Educ Movie	138 CW
7:30	Alpha Delta Sig	113 SU
	Williams Lect	Brs rm SU
	Sq Dance	Ger Anx
8:00	Hui O	111 SU

inology, and we think that you should have taken a more serious attitude toward this problem.

Since when are "private eyes" (1) mean; (2) rugged; (3) two-fisted; (4) knife throwing; (5) arm-breaking; (6) hair-pulling; (7) kidney kicking; (8) leg-fracturing; (9) eyeball plucking, or (10) old lady smacking?

Specifically private detectives are not (1) sadists; (2) neurotic; (3) amoral; (4) chronic alcoholics; (5) lascivious; (6) lewd; (7) fornicators; (8) ribald; or (9) demagogic.

You have undoubtedly planned this skit for a long time and yet to our knowledge you did not take time to consult the alert Lane County police force or that of Eugene or Watchman Jensen. Your haste and misrepresentation have given our young guests an erroneous impression of our preservers of law and order.

We are sure that if you and your group had given this project a little more effort, you would have been able to present something more accurate and significant than you did. Educational material is certainly more desirable for the high school audience. For this

group, so-called sophisticated college "humor" is highly inappropriate and could well be replaced by panel discussions or a literal portrayal of an organization or incident.

Frank Buck, the noted big game hunter, once said, "Good luck."

Al Belt
Don Lewis
Lee Nee

Social Calendar

Wednesday Desserts

Gamma Phi Beta — Phi Sigma Kappa
Alpha Chi Omega — Phi Kappa Psi
Alpha Phi — Sigma Phi Epsilon

Saturday Firesides

Kappa Sigma

Saturday House Dances

Sigma Chi
Sigma Nu
Sigma Phi Epsilon
Delta Tau Delta
Theta Chi
Phi Delta Theta
Phi Gamma Delta
Phi Sigma Kappa

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