

Indian Student Tells Of Impressions of US

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"The golden sunshine must be flooding Lahore these days; shining on flowering mustard fields..." Assian students at the Cosmo Club gatherings alternately talk of home and compare notes on their University of Oregon impressions and experiences.

Even the American movies had not prepared any of them for the friendliness and lack of restraint that they find between American boys and girls on the campus.

An Iraq student describes the absence of co-education in his country. There is never anything like house dances, junior proms or even Friday night dates in China, India or Turkey.

Coeds to Co-ops

From co-eds to co-ops; a Pakistani student here is full of plans for establishing student co-ops when he returns. They are such a clever convenient, economical way of group living. The fraternities and sororities, too, sound interesting — particularly their national-organization idea.

All the foreign students agree that American students are pampered. The facilities that an American university offers are amazing. Oregon is not just a university; it is a miniature country. A student from Afghanistan feels that this kind of living tends to make the students lose touch with life and reality.

The auditoriums and sports facilities, the modern Student Union, canoe fetes, these acres and acres of green lawns are luxuries which dazzle foreign students.

Counsellors, Duck Previews, loan funds, the employment of-

fice, all these simplify life here to what can almost be called a push button existence. This of course gives the Americans more time to study; they cannot get their final exams postponed because, as sometimes happens in Asian colleges, the students were too busy mimeographing textbooks to study for the exams.

Americans Unconcerned

American students are so casual and unconcerned about politics—national, local or campus—that they puzzle Asian students. Student protests and strikes over political issues—censorship of news, an unpopular treaty, just anything—unheard of over here, are everyday occurrences in Asia. During campus elections Islamia college, Karachi, Pakistan, to name one, resembles New York's Times Square during New Year's Eve, more than it does Oregon campus these days.

On the academic side, the large variety not only in the subjects offered, but in the same subject, never fails to impress foreign students. Says Namiko Ikeda of Japan, "It is wonderful; I can pick courses that I like, instead of following a set pattern."

To the click of billiard balls in the Cosmo club foreign students exchange opinions and ideas. And whether they say it in Japanese or Hindi or Arabic, most agree that it is fun to study here.

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● The Cosmopolitan club will meet Friday at 8 p.m. at the Plymouth House. A program on South America will start after 10 p.m. to give all members a chance to attend the concert. Coffee and a dance will follow the program.

● The time of the Duck Preview chairmen banquet to be held Thursday has been changed to 5:30 p.m. All chairmen are to bring their reports if they have not already turned them in.

● The Oregon Alpine club will meet today at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union. Following the meeting there will be a lecture on rock climbing technique. Visitors are welcome.

● Skull and Dagger will meet tonight at 6:45 in the Student Union. New members will be chosen.

● The YWCA cabinet will meet at noon today in Gerlinger hall.

● Carol Boals, Margie Harman, Kathleen Morrison, Carol Arneson, Claire Brown, Nan Borquist, Karen Kraft, Vern Travis, Randall Ralls, Joanne Flanders,

JoAnne Rogers, Delbert Freeman and Doreen Crawley were confined to the infirmary Tuesday for hospital supervision. No visitors are being allowed on the second floor.

● Rev. Alfred Stenner of the First Presbyterian church of Springfield will speak tonight at Westminster House following a

Skelton Talks to Young Democrats

Keith Skelton, former Democratic candidate for state senator, will address University Young Democrats tonight at 7:30 in the Student Union following a short business meeting.

Skelton, now a Eugene lawyer, is the graduate of three colleges. He has graduated from Edinboro college, received a law degree at the University of Washington and a political science degree at the University of Oregon. Skelton is also a member of the Oregon and Washington bar associations and Eugene chamber of commerce.

The business meeting will start at 7 with all prospective members paying dues. All students and professors are welcome to attend.

5:30 supper. He will speak on "The New Testament; Its Meaning Today."

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