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A DAY AT THE ZOO

Unappreciated Culture

It will be an all-University student program Thursday night. We are referring to the annual Creative Arts Workshop, sponsored by the Student Union board. All of the material for the workshop was prepared by students, and all of the participants in the program are students.

The SU Board is to be congratulated for providing such an outlet for the display of Oregon talent. Such a program can and should do much to encourage the creative aspects of education on the campus—a desirable situation.

There's just one thing: how many students will be there to appreciate the work of their classmates? We doubt if there will be many, and it seems rather poor to let all of the effort which has gone into the Workshop go unappreciated, as is the case with most University cultural events.

We don't pretend to know what the solution to the problem of poor attendance at such events is. Perhaps in this case, the suggestion to combine it with the Browsing Room program next year will help future programs. But meanwhile, we hope at least a few students will take the opportunity to view the work of their fellows Thursday night. — (S.R.)

Sweet Music

At 7 o'clock this evening, just before the Creative Arts Workshop program, the University's concert band will hold a "pops" concert in the amphitheater east of the music school.

Needless to say, the program has been well planned and includes a variety of numbers—everything from a portion of a symphony to marches.

We listened to the group practicing the other afternoon and, to our untrained ears, it sounded excellent. We particularly enjoyed one of their selections entitled "La Fiesta Mexicana." Incidentally, tonight will be the first time this particular number has been presented in the Northwest.

With the outdoor setting and the fine music, we're sure that students will find this evening's concert relaxing and enjoyable. —(P.K.)

Footnotes

OSC gets all the breaks—not only did they have the Model UN convention on campus, but also the 42nd annual Oregon Cattlemen's Association convention. Gives the campus paper something to editorialize on.

Formal Education And Gay Springtime Are Not Compatible

By Bob Funk
Emerald Columnist

He was sitting in the classroom, listening to some more glarp about embryonic pigs. They had been on embryonic pigs ever since he could remember. They did not remind him of sex or T-bone steaks or strong drink or money from home. In other words, he was not interested in them.

How the hell did I ever get inside this classroom; that is the question. He was not getting into very many classrooms this term. His conscience spent most of its time in the morning, and then, in the afternoon; well, you simply could not waste your afternoon going to class. It was the Code of the Quad. When the sun shines, so does primrose path to dalliance.

"... will be on this last mid-term we're having a week from Wednesday," the professor was saying. I may have completely peeled away due to sunburn by a week from Wednesday, he thought. Or maybe MGM will have asked me to come to Hollywood to kiss Marilyn Monroe seventeen times in seventeen different places in a movie called "Escape from Oregon."

The girl next to him bothered him. She was wearing one of those dresses which make damned good and sure that in the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. He wondered what would happen if he suggested that they leave this den of crass education and spend the rest of the afternoon drinking mixed drinks on the terrace of the SU. He imagined that she would say no. She looked like she was probably going with a football player who

weighed 300 pounds and thumped anyone who approached his girl into his own particular brand of tomato aspic. Still, that was a very nice dress. He seemed to be sliding lower into his seat; at least, he had been sitting in it, originally, and now his shoulderblades were resting on the place he had been sitting. Visibility of the professor was very poor, but he could still catch a word now and then about embryonic pigs. This little pig went to market; this little pig; and then he was asleep, moaning slightly. There was a thunderous stir, and he realized that the bell had rung. He got up from his semi-prone position only to be hit in the kisser by a swish of his departing neighbor's crinoline. He looked at his notes; May 18, the notes said. More about those slimy pigs. And then there was a big blank space that had two little inked-in doodles and JANE in large, tastefully conceived letters. Then there were the lines from a poem the rest of which he would never write—"since some EE-rotic tulip got stoned on a julep and eloped with a sweet-talking bee."

He walked out of the classroom and into the sunshine. There was nothing out there but more girls in more of those dresses, and a long line of cars heading up the river. How boring, he thought. How mundane. How can I kid myself so much. Answer: it's because you're such a clever dawg, boy.

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INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Red 'Peaceful Acquisition' Talk Clears Tense Far Eastern Air

By J. M. ROBERTS
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Although it represents no fundamental change in the situation, Chou En-Lai's statement that Red China will move toward acquisition of Formosa "by peaceful means as far as possible" does tend to ease Far Eastern

tension, at least for the moment. The Peiping regime is left, of course, free to determine how far is possible.

Chou's emphasis on the attitude of the Bandung Conference, however, makes it clear his latest words are directed largely to that audience, which

serves as something of a guarantee that he will not immediately violate them. In other words, Red China will do a lot more talking before she commits herself militarily.

Even though American policy as represented by the Seventh Fleet practically assures no attack on Formosa under present circumstances—because the Reds know it couldn't succeed—Chou's statement permits continuation of the current "feeler" operations in a better atmosphere.

The Chinese Nationalists—and most observers as well—will see little in it but guilt. It does, as they say, represent another effort to set up a Far Eastern Munich. It does tend to shift the burden for further approaches to negotiation to the United States.

Chou, with a wily turn of phrase, says negotiations are "daily becoming the unanimous demand" of nations and peoples who want to see peace. That comes only a few days after President Eisenhower's reference to a similar demand for Big Four negotiations over Europe.

The statement completely fails to meet the recent British request that Chou enlarge upon his Bandung suggestion for negotiations with the United States. He merely adds "alternate" ways, without specification, to the original Communist suggestion, made by Russia, that a 10-nation conference be held. Most of the other phraseology follows closely that of his Bandung announcement.

Red China, like the United States, continues to avoid commitments about Quemoy and Matsu, the offshore islands which were recently a focal point for a wordy hassle in the United States as to whether they should be included in America's firm determination to defend Formosa.

As the days pass, however,—and it has now become a month since some people expected a crisis—the Red buildup on the adjacent mainland which set off the excitement appears to have been designed more to bolster Peiping's diplomatic hand than as an immediate military threat.

Stanford students on UMT is typical of all colleges.

He attributed the lack of interest to a basic American drive to conform which has built up from fear of Russian Communism, and from the 14-year Selective Service program—"military training which has destroyed, in part, our willingness to be critical."

Although Burcham said the military is sincere in its aims, he charged that the goal of UMT is an effort to gain control of the American pouic.

AN IRATE WASHINGTON STATE college student wrote a letter to the editor there protesting to the "bitter, black, horrible . . . mud flow" to be found at the WSC version of the cellar.

The perturbed student continued that "nothing he had ever found in the whole United States and the army" compared to that coffee.

It's obvious that this bumpkin has never tried the tempting java served at the Erb.

THINGS BEING BANNED DEPT. The fever of banning renowned people from college audiences is spreading. First the U. of W. rejected Oppenheimer and now Stanford is getting into the act. Recently when Patti Waggin, a respectable burlesque dancer, was scheduled to perform for the Stanford TV station her appointment was cancelled because she was proclaimed as "not in keeping with the dignity of the University."

College Capers...

From Coast to Coast

By Elliot Carlson
Emerald Columnist

THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON is not the only school that is having higher fees imposed upon its students for the coming year. Resident students at the University of Washington have had their fees hiked \$6 for fall term while non-resident students will have to dig up another \$31.

A Washington official has said that the only thing that could cure their "budgetitis" is either a winning football team or increased enrollment. With Washington's football team at Minnesota, they'd better hope for an increased enrollment. Even though Minnesota has the ex-Husky quarterback their fees have also been raised five per cent.

It's ironic that if schools did not subsidize football players they probably wouldn't have budget trouble. Yet the only answer to unbalanced budgets are winning football teams which can only be organized by subsidizing more football players. As a result even with a winning football team the dilemma continues, and is frequently enlarged.

THERE SEEMS TO BE a tide developing against military training in colleges. At their recent state convention state Young Democrats passed a resolution denouncing ROTC programs in colleges. Now George Burcham, Associated Peace Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, spoke at Stanford University declaring that Stanford University was demonstrating by

Wage Question Arises

By Rowland Evans, Jr.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A reported squabble within the Eisenhower administration over minimum wage proposals broke into the open Wednesday when the Labor Department refused to recommend that specific new groups of workers be included within the minimum wage law.

Sen. Douglas, D-Ill., chairman of a Senate labor subcommittee, charged the administration with "an attempt to weasel out" of what he called its previous recommendation that protection of the

wage floor be extended to more than two million retail and wholesale workers.

Stuart Rothman, acting wage-hour administrator, told the subcommittee the Labor Department was not specifically recommending expanded coverage to the two million workers.

He said it simply was asking that Congress "seriously consider" whether the minimum wage should not be extended to them in addition to the 24 million already covered, and was proposing a boost in the minimum, now 75 cents an hour, to 90 cents.



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