

+ EMERALD EDITORIALS +

Happy Birthday to Us

Congratulations are in order for the Oregon Daily Emerald on Sunday—our fifty-sixth birthday.

We have, as the saying goes, come a long way in those years, and have undergone many changes in format, policy and style. We have had many roles on the campus within these years, and have played each of them in a different fashion.

Like any student enterprise, we have had the disadvantage of four-year turnover of staff, and therefore lack the continuity of a professional newspaper. We can only read the files to define our past positions and roles on the campus.

We have had many editors who have progressed from their positions of student leadership to posts of local, state and national prominence. Palmer Hoyt, Richard Neuberger, Karl Onthank, Arden Pangborn and Bob Frazier, among others.

All Emeraldites we have known have been prone to speak of the "good old days at Oregon," referring to the "good old days on the Emerald."

It seems working for the Emerald has been an influence for unifying students, and has made them feel close to the University.

We often have former associate editors, former feature editors, former proofreaders and friends of former editors dropping around during Homecoming and Junior Weekends and occasions of press conferences on the campus. They often display a certain emotional tie to the place, which they express in terms of reminiscence about the Emerald.

We're in a new building now, and it is a far cry from the old "shack" which some of us still here remember as the somewhat dilapidated quonset hut next to the old Journalism building.

But it's still the Emerald.

We like to think we've kept the doors wide open in a friendly, comradely fashion

to our predecessors who, like us, made the Emerald their business on campus. We hope the doors will be kept open for us, when we come back to reminisce about the "good old days on the Emerald."

People make it so—the people on the Emerald, and the people on the campus. Such is the newspaper business.

Happy birthday to us, the campus newspaper.—(A.R.)

Long Live the King!

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Tomorrow night the King of Hearts will be crowned before dozens of delighted females and their hearts' choices for the evening.

Who is the King of Hearts?

He is a young man who has been in college for a few years and, up to now, he has been like many other young men who have attended college for a few years.

He probably hates to get up in the morning, sleeps through or cuts entirely some classes, attends regularly such extra-curricular functions as games and dances and doesn't do too good a job of mending his own clothes.

But Saturday night he will ascend to the heights of royalty where he will be in the spotlight for a few hours knowing that at least some girls like him. (Too bad he can't find out who voted for him—might be helpful for future reference).

Sunday morning, though, the King will once again turn into a young college man who hates to get up in the mornings.

But then there must be times when kings would rather sleep too.

Long Live the King!—(A.H.)

Footnotes

It must have been a lawyer's holiday or something Monday afternoon for our Fenton friends. They were out en masse for the hearing of their compatriot.

Signal System



WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARS AWAY

Athletic Committee Suggestions Made

By Bud Hinkson
ASUO President

There has been considerable discussion around the campus lately about the existing student athletic advisory committee.

The function of this committee has been to air complaints presented by students concerning the athletic program of this University.

The committee has not proved successful, first because students have been reluctant to voice their opinions before this committee.

Second, because the ex-officio membership of the committee is composed of students whose primary interest has been in other campus activities. All students on this committee are either president or chairman of some student group unrelated to athletics.

We feel that such a student advisory group should have members who have a fundamental interest in improving the University athletic program.

If such membership could be obtained, the possible results would greatly improve the proselyting program at Oregon.

As we see it, the students

sitting on this committee will be vitally interested in getting top high school athletic performers to attend Oregon.

They would be responsible for obtaining qualified student proselyters in several areas throughout the state. Where the athletic department indicated we desire to have certain high school athletes attend Oregon, this student group would contact the athletes and get them to visit this campus.

They would then help to see that the high school athlete received a favorable impression from his visit.

It would also be the responsibility of this group to see that names of capable athletes got into the hands of the athletic department. Many times some University student will know of some high school player who has been overlooked by our athletic department.

We are convinced that if such an outlook were developed by the student body, it would not only benefit the University by helping to draw more athletes to Oregon, and thus improving Oregon's athletic teams, but it would help to improve the understanding between the student body and the athletic department.

In other words, by emphasizing our common purpose instead of our differences, both the student body and the athletic department would benefit.

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Bushel of Brute Force Hides Century of 'Age of Light'

By J. M. Roberts
AP News Analyst

Do you remember back when the Twentieth century was to mean all things to all men, and people talked as though civilization had finally turned the corner into an age of light?

Man had clearly broken the bonds of ignorance about himself and the world in which he lived. If he was not on the verge of Utopia, at least he thought he could foresee a progressively orderly and better existence.

An important international war had not occurred for nearly a century, and those who did not understand what was happening in Europe thought that perhaps the day of the sword was ended.

Instead of an Age of Light,

the century has become known as the Bloody Twentieth. The greatest scientific achievement has been to create a means of world suicide. Wars have been fought which made all previous ones look like skirmishes.

In the so-called Age of Light, take a glance at one day's news.

One of the latest quarrels in the United States is over an alleged government failure to really go all-out in production of new mass-destruction weapons.

In many parts of Europe people are crusading against payment of taxes for orderly government.

Whistles, songs, and slamming desk tops drown out debate in the French parliament.

In a world where food sur-

pluses create a problem on the one hand, Italian unemployed riot in eight towns for bread.

In Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in the United States of America, students riot because they refuse to sit in the halls of learning with a person they consider inferior.

In Madrid students riot over the plan of a dictator to restore a monarchy when he is gone.

In Algeria, moderate leaders, saying they had lost faith in France's ability to work out political problems, announced they would join the immoderates.

In Israel, some people talked of fighting the Arab states before the latter could become overpowerful with Russian arms. The Arabs promised a holy war to regain Palestine territory. The Western powers conferred.

In Indonesia a rebellion of years' standing kept government troops busy.

Nationalist Chinese, unsatisfied with the stalemate and still hoping to regain a hold on the mainland, staged war games on Quemoy Island, within sight and shelling distance of the Reds.

Terrorists were busy in many parts of the world.

The Age of Light was hidden under a bushel of brute force.

Lou Coffin
Jerry Smith

Letters to the Editor

Emerald Editor:

An Open Letter to Veterans

Only 75 of the more than 900 student veterans attended the Wednesday organizational meeting. The meeting might be called a failure in view of the fact that the attendance was below the minimum number to organize.

However, the meeting was very successful in its basic purpose. A few persons, who perhaps misinterpreted the purpose, attended merely to air

their "anti-veteran-student organization" opinions, but a large majority were sincerely interested. They were interested enough to form a temporary informal committee of some 25 men to draw up a charter, with definite aims, a charter which will, at a future date be presented to all veterans for approval. Veterans will be informed of the progress of this action.



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