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We'll Buy This

A man of many hats—that's Mark Hatfield who has been selected as the featured speaker for the Greek week orientation assembly. Hatfield, a candidate for secretary of state, is a state senator, dean of students at Willamette university and adviser to the Willamette Inter-fraternity council. For these reasons, if no others, what he has to say will be interesting.

More than that, we like his statement that he will discuss the present challenge to the fraternity system, the individual's responsibility to the system and the resulting benefit to the individual.

Hatfield's topic, and the very fact that Hatfield himself was selected to speak, mark a tremendous advance in the Greek week program. We have long maintained, as Hatfield asserted, that the Greeks have never done a good job of selling themselves. A Greek week with a program setup as is planned for this year is a definite step in the right direction.

With a combination of the assembly, a panel discussion and the Hendricks park cleanup project, together with the games, a picnic and a dance, the Greeks have planned a balanced program which may justify the inclusion of a Greek week on the University calendar.

To quote Hatfield again, for once the Greeks are selling some desirable aspects of fraternity living. This we will buy. — (S.R.)

With Limited Resources

At a time when much emphasis is being placed on the so-called "major" sports in universities, the successful launching of a new minor sport on a campus is something of a rarity.

Athletic departments are usually unwilling or unable to spend money on sports which do not make a profit, when that money could go for football and basketball scholarships that might result in better teams and larger gate receipts.

However, just such a rarity has occurred here with the establishment of an intercollegiate wrestling program. The Oregon wrestling team has nearly completed its third season of Pacific Coast competition, and there's no doubt of its success.

The wrestling Ducks are undefeated against college competition and boast an 8-1-1 season record. Their only loss was to Multnomah Athletic club of Portland. Moreover, they're a strong choice to improve their

record next weekend in the Pacific Coast Intercollegiate meet.

What are the reasons for this outstanding success? Wrestling receives no more financial support than do the other "minor" sports. No admittance is charged for the meets, so it can't hope to make a profit.

We believe the reasons lie in two factors—an excellent, devoted coach, and a group of athletes who honestly enjoy competing in their sport. Good facilities and equipment are also an important consideration.

The University is fortunate in having a coach of Bill Hammer's capabilities directing a lesser-known sport. He has shown how much one person can do with limited resources.

Shutting the Door

The "open door" policy in state-supported schools of higher education may be on the way out in favor of scholastic restrictions on student enrollment in Oregon. Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton has declared such a step to be legal and the state board of higher education is considering it.

The board evidently has been looking at statistics — rather alarming ones at that. These figures reveal that by 1970 college enrollment in the United States will be doubled, at least. Already schools are bulging at the academic seams with over 2.7 million students. Back in 1870 the number was 10,000.

The only requirement in Oregon at present is that the prospective student be a graduate of a standard high school in the state. Out-of-staters, however, must have the equivalent of a C average to gain admission.

Other states already have been forced to set up requirements in the face of rising enrollment. The University of California, for instance, has always turned down those failing to meet a grade standard, and just last year the eight state colleges adopted a similar practice. The only schools with an "open door" in that state now are the junior colleges, which are run by individual school districts rather than by a state board of higher education.

Oregon undoubtedly will hold off as long as possible. Out-of-state student requirements probably will be raised first, but more drastic measures loom. This weeding-out process most likely would take the form of an entrance examination with some consideration given to the high school record.

This seems to be the most feasible and fair method. Those who failed to make the grade, however, would not have the alternative of being able to attend a junior college as in California. — (J.C.R.)

Polished Apple



College Capers ... From Coast to Coast

By Bobby Harris
Emerald Columnist

SINCE FEBRUARY WAS the month of presidents we couldn't resist passing on this little story from the Hardin-Simmons university Brand which told about a faher who was lecturing to his son for being lazy:

"Why, when Abraham Lincoln was your age, he was splitting rails and plowing fields in the daytime and studying by candlelight at night," the man told his son.

"Yes," came the quick reply. "And when he was your age, Dad, he was president of the United States."

HERE'S A SWITCH ON that old theme of a woman being able to do anything a man can. The Oklahoma Daily's woman's page has an all-male staff for the first time in history. Consequently the "Society Page" has been renamed "Campus Page." Something to do with male ego, no doubt.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH the recent discussion on changing "Hell Week" to "Help Week" is this bit of news from Michigan State. It seems the fraternity pledges have been feeling the full weight of education lately. They have undertaken the project of transfer-

ring over 765,000 books, periodicals and documents into the new library on that campus.

COLUMNIST BILLY D. Moore had this in his column in the Hardin-Simmons university "Brand":

Note in each pay envelope from a certain firm: Your pay is your personal business and should be disclosed to no one.

Answer from new employee: Don't worry, I'm just as ashamed of it as you are.

HERE'S ANOTHER method of class distinction.

The Xavier Review has classified male students and their usual approach to a date in the following manner:

Freshman: "You're not going out with me, are you?"

Sophomore: "Will you go out with me?"

Junior: "Where are we going?"

Senior: They say nothing — just wait for the girl to speak first.

THE POOR PROFESSOR has been shafted again. The Emory Wheel tells of a professor who asked his class, "If I saw a man beating a donkey and stopped him from doing it, what virtue would I be showing?"

A voice from the back replied, "Brotherly love."

INTERPRETING THE NEWS

Uncle Sam Shifts Resting Spot To Another Kind of Wealth

By J. M. Roberts
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Do you remember when foreign cartoonists, back in the early 20's, habitually depicted Uncle Sam as a fat moneybags sitting heavily on the aspirations of his allies in World War I?

The United States is sitting today on great piles of another kind of wealth, more vital than dollars, about which she must do something as she prepares to meet Russia's new-type cold war.

They are piles of surplus food. It doesn't matter so much at this moment, when there is no great food emergency. But just let times become a little worse in the countries for whose allegiance Russia and the West are competing, and new cartoonists, using ancient languages which have a new impact on today's world

will be depicting Uncle as a fat old hoarder.

For the sake of her own economy as well as for utilizing its value as a weapon in the cold war, a system of distributing this food has become important to the United States.

The problem cannot be solved by a mere giveaway program, or by "dumping."

That's one of the troubles with the idea of relieving the pressures of the food surpluses on the American economy by continue price supports at home while selling the balance abroad for what it will bring.

The United States has been making small experiments with a system which permits some needy countries to buy surpluses with their own currency, then use the currency under the economic aid program for development of their own economies, instead of being given dollars.

That makes the food a gift which can be turned into a political football by foreign governments, and is unhealthy for a large long-term program.

Perhaps some system could be worked out by which all producers of exportable foods would work together to see that shortage areas were supplied, with repayment on the best possible basis in each case, with receipt going into a pool to balance good pay against bad pay.

At any rate, food is the most valuable thing in the world. Communism has arisen because of extreme inequalities in the distribution of wealth. To prevent its spread, a stop must be put to a world system which permits embarrassing surpluses in some localities while, in others, people starve or get no more than a barely sustaining diet.



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