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This Thing Called School Spirit

And still they talk about this thing called school spirit. On either side of the fence they talk and they write letters and they hang effigies and they organize spontaneous rallies. But nobody seems to care enough to stop and ask. So we will: Just what is school spirit?

Is it school spirit when they boo their own quarterbacks or hang their own coach? Is it school spirit when they form "spontaneously" on the practice field to cheer their players apologetically? Is it school spirit when they go to the airport to welcome home a defeated team?

Will it be school spirit when several hundred students follow their team to Berkeley this weekend? Will school spirit motivate these students' actions in the Bay area as it did the actions of those 3000 USC students who rocked a cable car and broke police car windows in a pre-game "rally" last Saturday in San Francisco?

Was it school spirit at Homecoming of 1955 when an underdog team began to play that "never before" brand of football and

inspired a student body to inspire them to a 28-0 upset? Was it school spirit — or curiosity — that sent 2200 students to the airport when Jim Bailey returned from his four minute mile victory?

And is it school spirit — or curiosity — that packs Hayward field with cheering fans every track season? What is it that generates the great spark of enthusiasm among that small, but growing group who watch Oregon's wrestling team every winter?

But still what have we done about solving this school spirit riddle? Or is it something that can be solved at all? They said it was something that an Oregon victory over Pittsburgh would solve easily. And Oregon did just about all it could do in losing 14-7 after having traveled 3000 miles to meet a football team that was better in the first place.

So now the weary Oregons go to Berkeley, and if they win, the whole school spirit business is solved. Or is it? For our money we still haven't heard a definition of school spirit. (C.H.M.)

Let's Stick with Tradition On This One

It was some time ago that women received the right to vote; even more recently they received equal rights as men in the working force of our nation; and now the rally board wants to end segregated seating at the football games. It's downright discouraging when you consider how much the female populace is gradually being granted rights which were once solely men's.

Let's take the last instance for example: the case of ending the men and women segregated seating at the football games.

It is undoubtedly a move to try to bring out more spirit from the student body. We think it will have exactly the opposite effect. What able-bodied, red-blooded, reasonably nice-looking fellow will yell his lungs out, when he's sitting right next to an equally able-bodied, equally red-blooded, and equally nice-looking young lady? He won't be yelling. He'll be making time; probably setting up a coffee date for right after the game.

Now the solution to this problem might be to enforce a rule that good-looking men couldn't sit next to good-looking women; but we are dubious of the practical enforce-

ment of this rule.

Granted, by ending segregated seating, the rally board might be able to break up the strong groups of living organizations which band together and which sometimes come up with off-color remarks. By breaking up these houses, however, the united force of these groups as a yelling unit is also broken up.

Again we repeat: What fellow is going to yell when to do so would brand him as a gung-ho lunthead in the eyes of the petite little co-ed sitting next to him? And, conversely, what petite little co-ed is going to yell when to do so would destroy the fellow's impression of her as a tender, soft spoken dainty little miss?

We'd just as soon stick with the tradition which has been followed since the first "Pigger" set foot inside the gate. Keep the strong leather-lunged men in their own section where they can yell without the inhibition of thinking that they'll break the eardrum on the young lady next to them; and keep the women in their own section where they can scream out their cheers without fear of losing the sweet feminine composure which most men attribute to them. (S.V.)

The Big Moment



From the Squirrel Cage

Freshman Officer Hopefuls Should Petition Soon

By DARREL BRITTSAN
ASUO President

On Wednesday, November 14, the freshmen will have an opportunity to select four members of its class to fill the ranks of the Senate and to carry out the class leadership functions.

This is an excellent opportunity for freshmen to enter student activities. The students selected to serve for the remaining year will be able to gain valuable experience as well as to perform an important service for the University.



I sincerely encourage all of you, who feel that you would and could be willing to labor toward accomplishment of the goals of the Senate, and to constantly search into various areas where student government could be of service, to petition for office.

The ballot will be divided into two parts: a presidential section and a representative section. In each division you should vote number 1, 2, 3 etc. for your first, second and third choice respectively.

Finally, I urge all voters to exercise their right to vote. I am certain that there will be a large quantity of excellent candidates from which to choose, and I am sure that you, as individual voters, realize the importance of making an intelligent choice.

Political Letter Deadline Friday

Letters to the editor pertaining to the political campaign will not be published in the Emerald after Monday. Anyone anxious to have the "last word" must have his letter on the editor's desk by Friday at 5 p.m.

Emerald policy also requires all letters to be signed and in the Emerald office by 11 a.m. to be considered for publication the next day. Letters of less than 300 words will receive first consideration because of mechanical limitations.

Antioch Again Gets Censured by Legion

(ACP) At its recent convention in Los Angeles, the American Legion again censured Antioch College for "permitting subversive programs and activities to function on campus." A similar resolution of censure was passed by the Legion in 1954.

This time, however, one of the original supporters of censure action, Ohio state representative Lowell Fess, objected to the Legion action. He said the Legion was talking about things that took place three or four years ago and that aren't taking place now. Fess, who helped bring about the 1954 censure said "The atmosphere at Antioch has cleared."

Antioch President Samuel B. Gould had this to say about the latest censure action: "I do wonder a little, when our neighbors know so well what we are, if it is necessary to tell them again that these charges are untrue. Let me say as strongly as I know how, there are no subversive activities at Antioch." In an off-the-cuff comment, President Gould dismissed the Legion action with the words "It's the same old thing."

Politics has got so expensive that it takes lots of money even to get beat with.

—Will Rogers

Columnist Notes Questions On Israeli Attack

By JAMES MARLOW
AP News Analyst

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Israel thrust into Egypt raises the question: Did the Israelis have a pretty good idea they could get away with it?

There are some things to watch for; how far the United States is willing to go to stop this military move; and whether Britain and France are willing to join the United States in stopping it.

President Eisenhower has built his whole campaign around peace. The Israelis

made their attack one week before the U.S. election.

Did they figure Eisenhower would hesitate to plunge the United States into Middle East conflict? The Israeli's timing looks more than coincidental. It's also a time when Russia has its hands full with Eastern European riots.

In 1950 the United States, Britain and France agreed they would act, either inside or outside the United Nations, to stop any aggression in the Middle East. Last night the White House said this country would honor its 1950 pledge.

It also said that today the United States would lay the case before the U.N. But the White House didn't say what

this country would do about its pledge if the U.N. did not act, or if Britain or France should balk.

Debate in the U.N. could well last more than a week, or until after next Tuesday's elections.

If the U.N. didn't act and this country decided to move into the Middle East, would Britain and France join in the undertaking?

Both Britain and France were burned up at Secretary of State Dulles for urging caution instead of force after Egypt's President Nasser seized the Suez Canal last July.

Britain had effective control of that canal — with troops stationed there — until

1954. It agreed then to withdraw its troops, but with the provision that it would have the right to reoccupy the canal zone in case the waterway or Egypt was attacked.

If the British now reoccupied the area, they could argue they were merely defending the canal against the Israelis under their 1954 agreement. What would the Israelis do then, fight the British? It seems unlikely.

An Israeli attack on the Arabs anywhere in the Middle East would take some of the heat off the French. Would the French then go along if the United States decided to move into the Middle East?

