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## Take Time Out to Vote Wednesday

Largely unnoticed thus far because of Homecoming and lipstick rioting is the important freshman class and amendment election to be held Wednesday.

Candidates will undoubtedly create an election atmosphere within the frosh class, but it's harder to get the remainder of the student body excited about the amendment. And yet it's very important to the future of ASUO student government.

A story on page one of today's emerald and an official notice elsewhere in the paper explain what the amendment would do. Everyone should prepare himself to vote on Wednesday by informing himself today.

It is significant that no voice has been publicly raised in opposition to the amendment. By their silence when the measure was discussed and since that time, we assume that every member of the Senate favors its passage. And some of the Senators would not now be in office if the amendment had passed last spring.

The most important section of the amendment would separate the presidential and representative ballots. This would prevent candidates for class presidencies from almost automatically being elected to the Senate.

Many students, justifiably confused by our preferential election system, vote first for all presidential candidates and then for representatives or Senators. The result has often been that losing candidates for class president got the representative posts, while candidates for representative lost out despite big popular votes.

This has been especially unfair to women who wish to serve on the Senate, since candidates for representative have two strikes against them before they start, and women seldom run for president.

Passage of this amendment would obviously be desirable. But convincing the average student of this truth is not the problem, for last spring only a handful of student voted against the proposal.

The problem is to convince nearly everyone that the measure is important enough for them to take two minutes out of their day to cast a vote.

For this amendment to pass, one-third of all students must cast ballots. About 1,800 votes are needed.

Study the amendment today. Vote on Wednesday.

## Rose Bowl-Bound Aggies, CONGRATS!

The great cheer that greeted the announcement at Saturday's game that Oregon State was ahead of Stanford must have surprised stray Aggies that had wandered over this way. Spontaneous cheering for the Beavers is not exactly a University tradition.

The Emerald enjoys ribbing our "country cousins" from Benton county's leading educational establishment. Sometimes we go too far, based on the theory that all's fair in love, war and Aggie-baiting (see today's letters to the editor). But we enthusiastically join those who today herald the OSC Beaver football team.

All Oregonians should relish seeing the Beavers in the New Year's Day classic, if only because it will end a California monopoly.

The circumstances this year are especially fortunate. Assuming the Aggies beat Idaho this weekend, they should go to Pasadena whether or not they beat us.

No matter what the odds announced by California "experts," we look forward with much hope to a nationally televised Oregon victory on Thanksgiving Day. And our Ducks can trounce the Aggies without a guilty conscience, knowing they can still go to the Rose Bowl.

## Lipstick Evened the Score, But...

Reprinted from The Oregonian

There is a color of poetic justice in the Eugene affray which "astounded and shocked" the University of Oregon's dean of women. For years, springtime dispatches from the campuses of the land have been filled with news of young men's fancy turned to rowdy demonstration of their interest in the co-eds. These affairs have generally been classified as "panty raids," whatever the identity of the prize sought in trepass on sorority houses and girls' dormitories.

Now comes, in the fall, a lipstick raid, this time with the girls as the aggressors. Most people will be neither astounded nor shocked. The boys asked for it. Now they have their rebuke, and the score is evened, at least at the University of Oregon.

It can be hoped, however, in the public interest, that the battle of the sexes, intent enough in all life's phases, will not erupt as a regular and violent feature of campus

life. At least, it should be confined to the spring term, when traditionally the girls employ a gentler method of applying the lipstick.

## Footnotes

Amazing: At long last Oregon students didn't have to attend classes on Armistice Day. And the administration couldn't do anything about it.

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Rumors are circulating that a major cosmetics firm is negotiating with Oregon co-eds for exclusive lipstick rights in future raiding parties. Terms of the contract are as yet undisclosed.

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Spirit was high at the game Saturday. We wonder if the cheering section was.

## Fun, Wasn't It? But...Ho-Hum



"IT WAS MY TURN TO SIT BEHIND BUFFO—YOU SLEPT BEHIND HIM IN HISTORY."

## Letters to the Editor

**Emerald Editor:**

While attending the University of Oregon and since graduation it has been a pleasure of mine to peruse the Emerald. However, after scanning the editorial page column, "Skeptic Tank," in the edition of Monday, November 5th, my opinion of the publication has suddenly dropped.

I refer to that portion of the column which reads: "So I guess pretty soon if we want to watch the Black Bandits (the press gave the team that name. Probably in reference to their star halfback who has been charged with bike thugging)."...

In my opinion, those words relegate the column and the Emerald to the sewage container connoted by the column's title. I'm certain that an explanation of this opinion is not necessary.

I pride myself in maintaining an air of broad-mindedness relative to college life and all that goes with. For four years I enjoyed every minute of this life at Oregon and am a staunch booster to this moment of everything Oregon.

But when one comes across printed matter, such as quoted above, in his Alma Mater's campus news organ a cause for wonderment is brought on as to the integrity of this organ which, although it makes no claim to being representative of University opinion, is still intimately associated with the institution and in that light should be so edited.

Bob Hinz,  
Radio Station KOAC,  
Corvallis

**Emerald Editor:**

This letter is directed to the author of that "Journalistic Extravaganza" called the "Skeptic Tank."

I think the latest of his works, which is a lengthy dissertation on OSC's Rah Rah Ballerinas, was completely off base.

Here are the reasons why:

1. As far as the rally girls are concerned I think they deserve a lot of credit because if you have seen them, (and it sounds like you haven't) you would realize why.

2. The three hours a day that they practice shouldn't be ridiculed, but should be a hint to you know who.

3. I think the rally girls should be congratulated on their

originality and, "Brian-boy," Oregon sure could use some of that originality. (Our yell-leaders are still telling us how to spell "Ducks" in the Duck spell-out.)

4. If OSC has a good chance to go to the Rose Bowl give credit where credit is due. Or do you like to see the California schools dominate the Rose Bowl representations from the PCC, Mr. Booth?

5. In regards to your uncalled-for statement concerning the "Black Bandits." Fortunately one star halfback is not the reason for their title of "Black Bandits," and fortunately the errors of one "columnist" does not totally degrade an otherwise good publication.

Also your use of the term "thugging" is completely out of place. Why? Because according to court ruling the case was dismissed on the grounds that the bike was borrowed, not thugged.

6. And what's this strained attempt at humor concerning black bears and Indian wrestling matches. Rather childish don't you think, Brian?

In closing I don't think Oregon is in any position to ridicule, rather we should try to improve our own rally squad and become even more original and better than any group of OSC Rah Rah Ballerinas.

Bob Stevens,  
Sophomore, Business Ad  
Roger Mielke,  
Junior, Pre-dent.

**Emerald Editor:**

One might be left with the impression that Mr. Schmitz, (Wednesday, Nov. 7, Letter to the Editor) senior Psychology major, is a staunch Holmes supporter. If I recall correctly, his letter was written when the outcome of the Governorship was still very close. Now Mr. Schmitz, sit back... relax... the "gross injustice" by the Emerald apparently didn't harm the winning candidate's chances for election.

If Mr. Schmitz feels the editorial tactics of the Emerald "really stunk," he must have quite an opinion of some of the country's leading newspapers who endorsed Republican candidates. If Mr. Schmitz had been on the other side of the political fence, its quite likely we

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