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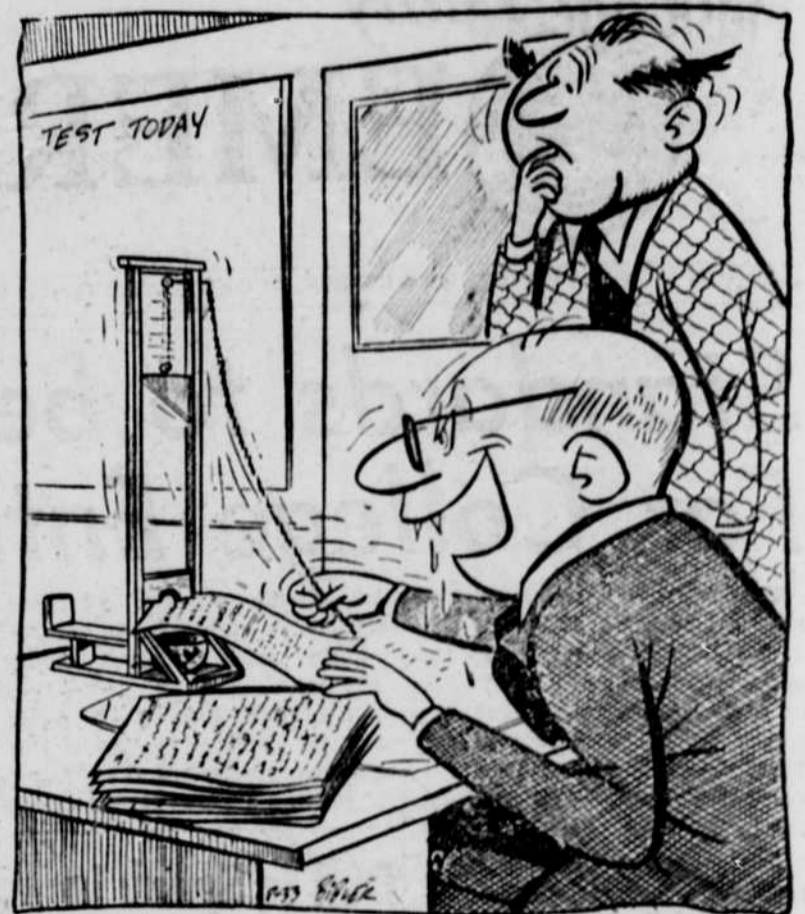
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## No Offense, Dr. Wright



## After a Week of Diddling—

"Isn't this a hell of a way to run a railroad?" one senator asked another in Salem Monday, referring to the fact that 193 roll call votes have failed to break the deadlock for the presidency of the State Senate. That comment typifies not only the feelings of those 30 senators, but also the feelings of the entire state.

Our State Senate is at a standstill. Important legislation, such as the much-discussed tax reforms and Governor Holmes' budget, face indefinite postponement until the senators can untie the knot and elect a president.

The Democrats contend that, since the voters of the state gave their support to the Democrats in the governorship and the House of Representatives, they should also be allowed to pick their own president of the Senate.

The Republicans have conceded their request to have a Republican president; and have agreed to vote for any Democrat besides Walter Pearson, whom they oppose on personal grounds.

The Republicans have also gone so far as to offer the chairmanships, vice-chair-

manships, and majority memberships on all major committees to the Democrats; IF... the Democrats will pick any one of their members besides Pearson.

The Democrats have stuck solidly behind the senator from Portland, admittedly voting for him as a principle, not as an individual.

To us, it looks like the Democrats want to have their cake and eat it, too. They scream that the voters of the state want some action; but they themselves are not willing to compromise one bit in their demand to have one certain person as senate president. The Republicans, on the other hand, have bent over backwards to get the Senate off and running.

The Senate has been diddling around for a week now without choosing a president, mostly because the 15 Democrat members are too stubborn to meet the Republicans even part way.

And most of the taxpayers in the state are getting sick and tired of the way political machinery has blocked the road toward some progress in our state government. (S.V.)

## Interpreting the News

# Anti-Communism Struggle Ike's Theme in '53, '57

By **JAMES MARLOW**  
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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower's two inaugural addresses, placed side by side, conjure up a single vision: that of a whole line of presidents who in the years ahead may have to say the same thing. The words of Eisenhower's second inaugural were different from his first in 1953, but the central theme was identical: the struggle against communism.



Communism suffered some reverses this past year but this country seems no nearer to victory over it—or even to a peaceful understanding with it—than it was four years ago when Eisenhower first took office.

The end of the struggle is not in sight. The picture may be the same when a new president takes office on Jan. 20, 1961, or in 1965, or in decades after that.

Eisenhower's address yesterday full of platitudes and moralizations, doesn't compare in style or in the hope it offered with what are perhaps two of the most famous inaugurals in history, Lincoln's in 1865, Roosevelt's in 1933.

But the circumstances were different. And nothing illustrates better how much American thinking has changed in a quarter of a century than reading Roosevelt's inaugural 24 years ago and Eisenhower's yesterday.

Lincoln spoke just a few weeks before the end of the Civil War and could point back to one of the milestones in American history in his first four years—the end of slavery. He also could point forward to victory and peace.

Roosevelt's first inaugural, delivered in the blackest moment of the depression, did not rely on hope for the solution of the nation's ill. It promised

"action, and action now." It mentioned "hope" only once, and indirectly.

The action Roosevelt offered meant a profound turn in American life and history: government controls on business and government assumption of responsibility for the welfare of the people. It was the beginning of a new American era.

Not so with the address of Eisenhower, whose problems are worldwide and who, by that very fact, lacks the control and authority Lincoln and Roosevelt had in dealing with purely American dilemmas.

Eisenhower offered "hope" things would get better but nothing new in the way of action. The action he promised—military strength and foreign aid—were already American policy before he took office four years ago.

The one quick, possible solution which Eisenhower might seek—war on Russia—is the one he wants most to avoid. His successors no doubt will likewise seek to avoid it if they can.

Roosevelt, an isolationist when he took office in 1933, talked in his first inaugural to a country which had deliberately decided years before to isolate itself from the rest of the world.

Although Roosevelt used the word "interdependence" twice in his 1933 address, it was not in a world sense. On the contrary. He was talking only of the interdependence of the 48 states and on the American people.

When Eisenhower delivered his first inaugural address in 1953, he too used "interdependence" but in a completely opposite sense from Roosevelt. By that time this country had moved from isolationism to world responsibility.

He even went so far four years ago as to speak of "interdependence" among nations as a "basic law." He returned to the same thought yesterday when he said: "The economic need of all nations—in mutual dependence—makes isolation an impossibility."

## The Bricks We Build With

From The Louisiana State University  
Daily Reveille

How often do we consider the future? How much thought is given to those things which will endure, and how do we mold our actions and use our energies in those directions?

After all, we are not told that we are preparing for success in the future by competent schoolwork, for Life through our social developments, and for Eternity in our religious structures?

So we ask again—what will endure?

Will it be the honors attached to our name, or the honor we bring to our character? The memorization of terms and superfluous vocabularies, or the understanding and workability of these? The clever ability of cutting sarcasm, or the kindness and sympathy with which to ease the pains of our fellow-man?

The smoke-filled night spots, or the communion with Nature on sunny afternoons? Heated arguments, or discussions in which we learn to respect others' opinions? Finally, the disagreeable and incompatible persons we have brushed against, or the dear friendships that grow as we grow to be worthy of them?

Which will endure, which will we remember, which are significant to us now, and which utilize our energies? The choice, of course, is for each individual to make. Perhaps the least some of us could do is to stop—still—in the mechanical and often stagnant paths we are treading now, and try a fresh approach—give new thought to which path we will take tomorrow.

What sort of things do we want to endure in our lives; what will we remember? What kind of bricks are we putting into our "dream" homes of tomorrow.

## From the Squirrel Cage

# Hats Are Off to Portland State

By **DARREL BRITTSAN**  
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Next weekend will mark the first time that Oregon colleges and universities have participated collectively in a major event. The Portland State College Winter Carnival will bring together students from 10 institutions of higher education throughout the state.



This weekend will see a tremendous dream come true for courage constructive student activities.

Our hats are off to the students of Portland State College

who first conceived this idea and promoted the support of other schools. They have borne the main burden of organizing and administering the plans for the weekend.

All the financial responsibilities of the major events, athletic and social, are being carried by Portland State, and we, the participating schools, are paying only for our own delegates and entrants.

Since the plans were first started last year by the PSC students, the Winter Carnival has never stopped growing in magnitude. With the entrance of the other schools this fall, it has jumped to a major event for the entire state of Oregon.

Jim Laughton, Ann Banton and Dick Wood have done much

to encourage participation by the students from our own campus. Much time and effort will probably result in a representation from the University that we can all be proud of. Thanks to these people, we can rest assured that we have helped out and have done our share in supporting the event.

I'm sure that everyone going up to Mt. Hood this weekend will have a wonderful time, and I wish the best of luck to those who have gone through the work of trying out and are representing Oregon on the athletic teams.

And I'm sure that the entire student body joins me in wishing the best of luck to our Winter Carnival Princess, Sally Shaw, in her contest for queen of the weekend.