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Always Hustling



"I KNOW IT'S LATE, COACH, BUT I'M PRACTICING A FEW 'PLAYS'."

So There's Snow

So there's snow. So what? Maybe the beauty of the white-mantled campus should inspire us to a new proliferation of seldom-used adjectives glorifying this silent transformation by the heavy hand of Old Man Winter. Or perhaps we should loose a torrent of caustic comment at unkind fate for wrapping us in this unbearably un-Oregon arctic environment — complete with ice-balls, skater's blood, motorists' cursings and hanged house managers.

But all this is cynical, ill-mannered and

even downright not nice. For such a cold reception for our little cold spell is by no means unanimous. Take into consideration just what this little taste of "the good ol' weather" really means: skating on the Millrace (all right, swimming a couple of times), tripping freshman women in the snow, helping freshman women up after they fall in the snow, skiing in Hendricks Park, carrying skiers to the Infirmary. In short, why be cynical about the cold? We're "hot" for it. (C.H.M.)

The Faux Pas Society

Some degree of compassion is due the hapless public figure, especially the politicians and statesmen who exist from day to day on a steady diet of foot-in-the-mouth—at least to hear their opponents tell it.

Latest to join the faux pas society was New York City Mayor Robert Wagner, who refused to officially welcome King Ibn Saud of Arabia to his city. It was left up to the State Department to pipe Saud aboard.

In recent days the perennial champions of misstatement — John Foster Dulles and Charles Wilson — have come up with some new standards to replace such classics as "kennel dogs" and "the brink of war several times."

Dulles unfortunately chose to phrase his feelings on the touchy situation in Suez as "I'd hate to have a Frenchman on one side

of me and a Briton on the other." Innocent enough in context, this statement proved to be dynamite in isolation.

Wilson released one of his considered opinions as to the merits of the National Guard, which he allegedly called a "draft-dodging outfit." This remark was met with a less-than-welcome response throughout the country.

Recollections of Harry Truman's famous remarks about music critics and the Marine propaganda machine come to mind. More than once the Man from Independence allowed his candor to overcome his bitter judgment.

But then, it's all in the game. The VIP's earn their right to the spotlight, but have to take much accompanying battering from "constructive sources." Such is life. (A.J.)

Letters to the Editor

Emerald Editor:

In an effort to curb the foolish and dangerous practice of setting false alarms, a proclamation with the following regulation has been issued:

"D. Anyone caught setting off a false fire alarm will be subject to disciplinary action. If the Hall can be identified, the Hall responsible will be charged. If not, then each Hall will share equally the charge of twenty-five dollars assessed by the University. It is the duty of all members of the Dormitory, to report anyone setting off false alarms."

Please be reasonable. Do the ends justify the means? Is it possible to hold a group responsible for the action of an individual who may or may not be a member of that group?

If so, then law enforcement officers and the courts ought to be awakened to the possibilities.

"D. Anyone caught committing an indecent assault in the City of Eugene will be subject to disciplinary action. If the Block can be identified, the Block responsible will be charged. If not, all the maie members of the households within two city blocks of the incident will be assessed an appropriate fine or jail sentence. It is the duty of all residents of the city to report anyone in the act of committing rape."

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position. Since she has not taken this course of honor however we can only surmise that great pressures are being applied to keep her in the mire of this corruption.

Therefore probably the best course Miss Griffith could take would be to make sure that there is not a recapitulation of such an unfortunate incident. However, who would listen to advice from a person who rode into office on the tides of political oppression and corruption?

Indeed, we may ask ourselves whether there is anyone here who would seriously submit to the subjugation which issues out of the chamber of horrors known as the student senate? I greatly fear that our whole student body government is nothing more than a badly assorted gathering of pansy pickers and mamby pamby milk sops.

These may seem to be rather strong words for so "slight a sin"; however the basic principles involved and their absolute disregard is truly alarming. The student senate has shown itself to be an ignorant, unbridled, prejudiced, and undisciplined lot who seem to think that above them there is no other dome than the vault of heaven.

I have every confidence that the senate will consider itself censored and will in the future make sufficient amends to again include the feeling of good will and peace with the rest of the student body. I also have every confidence that Miss Dotty Griffith will greedily guard her senate chair and that perhaps she may even be elected president of her sorority. (But only after having passed her chair on to some other sister of "superior caliber").

Now as for Mr. Ron Brown I cannot say anything because he sings in the choir of my church. However he certainly should know better for a person of his potential and, up until this time, high moral standing, is usually well armed to meet the temptations of the devil (meaning senate).

It is therefore my earnest prayer and hopeful petition that once again the landscape of Oregon may be brightened; once again the sun may rise; once

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Interpreting the News

Congress In Democratic Dilemma

**By JAMES MARLOW
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WASHINGTON (AP)—Congress will be making one more adjustment to the hydrogen age when it gives President Eisenhower advance approval to use American armed forces in the Middle East if a Communist attack occurs there.



On the surface this expected congressional approval — with no attack in sight — will hardly be more than a psychological effort by this government to discourage communism from open aggression by warning it ahead of time. But it goes deeper.

It hits the heart of these questions:

1. How can a democracy, with its slow and open processes, protect itself against a dictatorship which can make sudden, secret decisions to begin a war with hydrogen bombs big enough to bring quick victory?

2. How can a democracy, searching for a way to protect itself by acting and reacting with utmost speed in an emergency, avoid taking on some coloration of a dictatorship?

It smacks a little of dictatorship when a nation not only becomes more secretive but, out of sheer need for speed in crisis, entrusts the most fateful decisions to one man or a handful of men.

When this country was still isolated by oceans from sudden and direct attack by the big overseas powers, Congress could afford time to debate the question of war. Now there's no time for it.

If Russia began a hydrogen attack, the President, under his constitutional powers as commander in chief, would have to order instant retaliation on Russia by American bombers based overseas. He could not do otherwise, nor would Congress want him to.

But the problems of the future may not be so simple as a direct attack on the United States. There may be various forms of Communist aggression which, if not stopped promptly, might mean quick Red victory and erosion of other people's will to resist.

It is in this area of the unknown that the democratic problem is the sharpest:

How can Congress retain its control over the ability of one man, the President, to pull a trigger which puts this country into war while yet, for the na-

tion's sake, leaving him free to make such a decision if he thinks necessary in an emergency?

What is happening now—a grant of standby authority from Congress to Eisenhower to use as he thinks best—is the most recent example of the attempt to solve the new democratic dilemma by making Congress and the President partners to a decision before it is made or even found necessary.

Campus Capers

(ACP)—A pop corn popper may be the only cooking equipment a dormitory coed may have at hand, but if she follows the lead of young women who attend Texas State College for Women, she can be quite a cook.

Boiling water for coffee or tea in the popper is elementary, says the Daily Lasso. Texas coeds make oyster stew, pudding, chili and chow mein in theirs for midnight snacks, and use the popper to warm rolls, boil eggs and make cereal at breakfast-time.

Stick to the popper for making pop corn, too, they advise. One coed tried to use her electric coffee pot to make pop corn—with sad results.