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The Real Losers

While the Legislature flounders around in Salem, the University community is naturally getting concerned about the proposed budget for higher education. Salary increases for professors are needed most, we feel, and in this respect an immediate assurance would be very desirable.

This is the term when every university seeks new staff members for the following year. Our better professors are now being tempted by offers of higher pay in other states. And until our professors are given some assurance of increases in Oregon, they will be very vulnerable to temptation.

The State Board of Higher Education has requested funds for salary increases of 15 per cent. But nobody knows what will happen at Salem. Democratic leaders now

disagree on how large the total state budget should be and how the money should be raised. Until this confusion can be ironed out it's anybody's guess how higher education will fare.

We hope the Legislature can get its financial picture cleared up quickly, for it's necessary that our professors be assured before they accept out-of-state offers.

By waiting too long, or by not granting the badly needed salary increases, Oregon would be making a fatal mistake. It is not the professors who would lose, for the better ones can get higher paying jobs elsewhere. The real losers would be the present schoolchildren of Oregon, who would then not have first-rate higher education available to them within the state.

Knock On Wood

It's obviously impossible. As a matter of fact, if we didn't know better we'd say this just isn't the Oregon campus any more. Look at the record: for four days in a row, now, without interruption from rain, snow or other meteorological disturbance, Oregon's baseball team has actually been playing baseball.

And very successfully, we might add.

Four days straight must be some kind of a record for early-season diamond activity around these parts, and we're glad to see Don Kirsch's boys making the most of the situation before either the rains or the Northern Division season set in.

The Ducks have now won three straight, losing the first game of the week after a long rain-enforced layoff, then running up a total of 23 runs to five for their three opponents. Another game is scheduled for today (we've probably jinxed it with this optimistic editorial) and a doubleheader is on tap for Saturday.

If the Webfoots can get these next three games in before the inevitable deluge, they will be probably better prepared for the season than any Oregon team in history. Thanks, Jupe Pluve, you've been a good guy for once. (J.W.)

Collegiate Slant

'Youth Lacks Drive?' Poll Asks

MINNEAPOLIS (ACP) — Do the youth of today lack the drive and initiative needed to come up with new ideas used to advance civilization? Or are they falling into a rut created by present day society—that of looking for security first or fearing to take chances or go out on a limb, and thus failing to be real seekers for new knowledge? Opinions like these have at times been made public by some critics of the youth of this generation. But what do the youth think about these charges?

In order to get the collegiate slant on this issue Associated Collegiate Press asked the following question of a representative national cross-section of college students:

Some prominent businessmen have stated that modern day young men and women are too concerned with problems of future security, and thus lack imagination and initiative. Do you agree or disagree with this opinion, or are you undecided? The results: Men. Wom. Tot.

Agree	27%	23%	26%
Disagree	55%	66%	59%
Undecided	18%	11%	15%

Coeds tend to disagree with this opinion as expressed by some businessmen a bit more than do college men, although the majority of both college men and coeds disagree. About one-quarter of the students agree.

Among students agreeing with

the opinion of these businessmen the most commonly expressed thought is that people today are forced by society to conform to the model behavior and don't have the chance they once had to express themselves. Here are a few typical comments:

"Americans of all ages seem to conform too much to accepted patterns. Desiring future security is just a part of the fear not to conform," is the feeling of a sophomore attending Wake Forest College (Winston-Salem, N.C.), and a sophomore at Syracuse University (Syracuse, N.Y.) has this to say: "In a way it is true, for instance, conformity on campus has ruined much initiative; everything we do today has to be approved in advance."

A freshman at the University of Denver (Colorado) thinks that there are always "some men afraid to take chances." And a University of Maryland (College Park) sophomore simply says: "The almighty dollar is king!"

Other students believe that the young people of this generation are marrying at an earlier age and have to look for security. Still others feel that too many people are concerned only with money instead of with helping mankind.

Among the majority of students disagreeing with this opinion of some businessmen

the most common belief is that concern for future security arouses an interest in preparing for it. Others feel that the youth of this generation haven't changed much from past generations. Here are several typical remarks:

"A concern for the future causes a development of imagination and initiative," is the way a Mississippi College (Clinton) junior puts it. "Imagination in youth is natural and initiative will result from the drive to obtain security," is the way a Tyler Junior College (Tyler, Texas) sophomore looks at it, while a senior at the College of Physicians and Surgeons sees it this way: "A reasonable concern for security denotes a mature mind."

And a senior at Southeastern State College (Durant, Okla.) points out that "the increasing number of patents for inventions being taken out each year disputes the ideas of lack of imagination."

Most students undecided on the question simply say they haven't thought much about the situation and can't make up their minds. But a few feel that the issue, as a Rochester Institute of Technology (Rochester, N.Y.) freshman says: "is an individual matter," or, as an Ohio University (Athens) sophomore coed puts it: "some students are interested in security and some aren't."

Way Out Field



"I've been practicing catchin' flies like you said, coach, but I think I caught some bees, too."

College Capers . . .

From Coast to Coast

By JOANNE MORRISSEY
Emerald Columnist

"And away we go," TV fans and Emerald readers, with another week's contribution to the Friday editorial page. Now that the swallows are back at Capistrano, the Fenton Hall crowd has begun gazing into the future and the Carson girls have migrated to the roof, spring should certainly have been here as of March 21.

But is it — considering the weather and all? What will the Duck Previewers think if we can't conjecture up a little sunshine before their debut? Greater Oregon members, start praying!

Even though we're still alternating between slickers and sweaters, other schools seem to have the spring spirit already. At the University of Michigan, the women's dormitories have ruled against good night kisses at the dorm door. (Almost like ruling against nature, isn't it?) It seems like every school has its problem regulations! (April Fool).

Here's the latest scoop on beauty contests running in other schools. The Ida Ho (April Fool) Argonaut reported that its students were voting for a "Queen of Queens." You guessed it! All candidates had been queen of some University function before. Better yet was the election for "Cowboy Sweetheart" being conducted at Texas. (What those Texans won't do!)

Since our April Fools paper brought so much fun (and also a few repercussions) this Friday seems to be the ideal day to print excerpts from other April 1 papers.

In their sequel to the "Merrygoround," the Kansas State Collegian ran a column headed "Love Blooms Onward as Wallflowers Wilt." A typical story ran like: "Helda Klod, AH Fr, announced her engagement to Cal Chip, AGE Jr. by passing corn at Slowvia last night. Both are from Green Pastures."

The Colorado "Slither & Bold" reported that poll had been taken on reactions to the statement that 3.2 beer is not inebriating (think about that). The pollster stated "After interviewing 100 persons, the research

teams' approximate results were 8 per cent said they did not feel a thing; 87 per cent did not comprehend the question; and the remaining 5 per cent merely giggled."

The In-Filth Trader (which was smart enough to leave its school name off the masthead played with women's rules. It said, "No unchaperoned female students will be permitted to leave the confines of the campus during the school year."

"All women have to be in by sunset. A standard uniform for coeds will be instituted to prevent any immodesties in dress. The only thing women will be permitted to major in here is Christian Homemaking."

I think it's best to end on a cheery note today. Laugh as you read this.

Letters to the Editor

Emerald Editor:

Student Union Director A. L. Ellingson should be cautioned concerning his stand in yesterday's Emerald against dogs in the Student Union. He's liable to bring the cry of "discrimination" down around his head.

Be more careful, A.L. If the Lane County Health authorities discover a restaurant in the Student Union, six will get you 10 that you'll find yourself in Salem explaining why the joint shouldn't be taxed.

But if you are called to Salem, be sure to check in with the grad students over in Political Science . . . Tuesday's Emerald shows they have all the answers.

Bill Fendall

Graduate in Journalism

From the Files

Ten Years Ago

Si Ellingson, junior in business administration, was elected president of the One World club for the coming year at a meeting of the YMCA.

Newly-appointed athletic director, Leo Harris, arrived on campus from his home in Carmel, Calif., for a short stay. His duties started in July of 1947.