

Co-ed debater wins honors

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Jennifer Bain, one of the top debaters in the UO forensic team, has among her many claims to fame a 4 GPA last term, treasurer of Kappa Alpha Theta, and a major in pre-law.

The beginning of her forensic achievements came when she won a \$300 prize for the state championship in the American Legion Oratorical contest during her senior year at Tigard high school.

On the UO debate team her freshman year, she competed in the Junior Men's Division and won first place in every contest except one.

This year, as a sophomore, Miss Bain has participated in more individual events, particularly extemporaneous speaking and impromptu, and continued her outstanding record.

Practice takes hours

The price for these honors comes by working about four hours a week selecting and organizing material, and sometimes as much as eight hours practice

directly before the tournaments.

However, Miss Bain claims that "it doesn't take enough time so that your grades go down." She plans to continue forensic work throughout college and will also continue working in the symposium program which "gives personal contact with a live audience instead of only a few people."

"You can apply these experiences and the knowledge accumulated to schoolwork and everyday living," she says, "and the practice in impromptu and extemporaneous speaking makes you so much more organized and fluent." In addition to this, Miss Bain meets many interesting people, such as Ted Jones, the son of singer Lena Horne, who debates for USC.

From her experience with other college forensic groups, Miss Bain

has all kinds of praise for the UO team.

"We have won more sweepstakes awards than any other school on the West Coast," she says with a twinkle. Miss Bain attributes much of this success to the influence of W. S. Nobles, director of forensics, whose "analysis on the debate topics greatly helps the debaters."

And with that, we concede the debate.



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Letter to the Editor

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critically accept the assumption that spectator athletic activities of any kind "benefit the entire student body."

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Emerald Editor:

Letters to the editor are a stupid waste of time and paper, (right, Mr. Cole?) written in the heat of indignation and somewhat shocking to the author when finally seen in print. But what else can we do when the trivia of Thursday's editorial page boots us in the face? Gripe to our cell-mates? They always agree, no argument there: "I mean, like, give me one good reason why this dump has to have a swimming team. Hell, yes, we need a new pool, but that concrete and glass monstrosity?" "So the majority want our unfortunate tennis team to exist. Who says so? Who knows what the majority want? The Emerald?"

"I don't know anybody who gives a damn about our tennis or golf teams, and, furthermore, I'm nauseated by the fact that \$13.50 to my to-be-raised fees goes into the athletic fund to buy cars for high school football players—or does that come out of the general funds?" "No law says a university has to diddle around with athletics beyond the soma of football, (that does seem to be a law) and I wonder whether the success and/or popularity of our "minor" athletics merits the time and money spent on them—to the end that the athletic department has to have almost a half million every year in order to operate."

Oh, we are sick, and our values chug in this petty pace from day to day to the last syllable of our "Alma Mater" and all our SU committees have lighted fools the way to peptic ulcers. (Arise, Tom Easton!)

Sue Haffner
Sophomore in General Arts and Letters

Dear Sylvia,

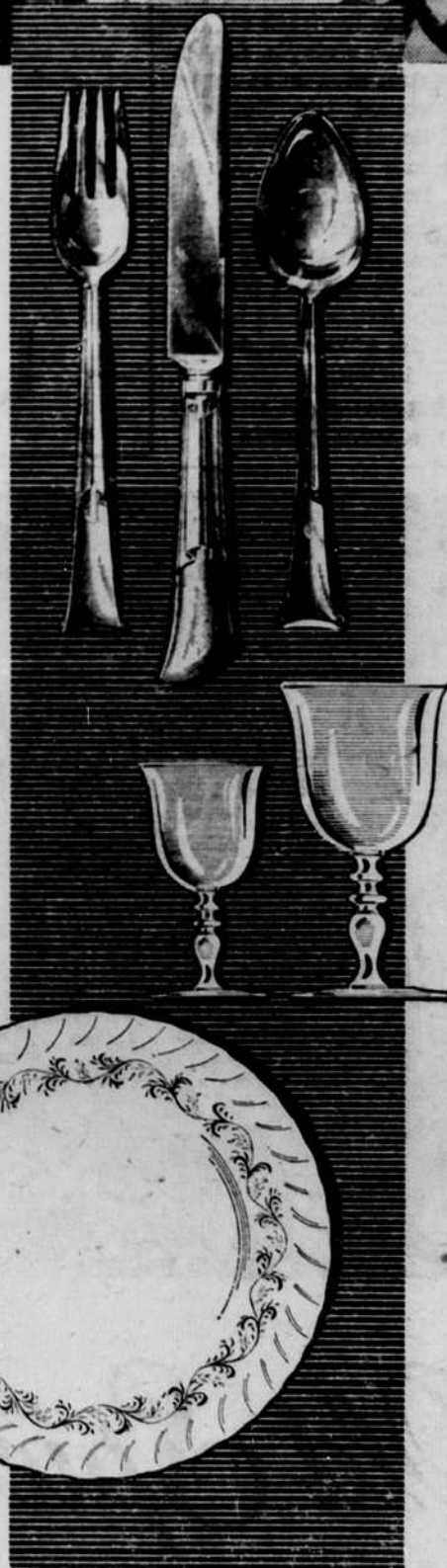
I'm flicking in John. He doesn't have any interest in my school work, he doesn't like romantic things, and hates my brother. All he wants to do is eat. I can't stand it any more. That's the third boyfriend the D.Q. store has stolen from me.

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