

## Sexy Movies?

Editorially, the Portland State Vanguard shouted, "Perhaps instead of satirists, and world renowned folk singers, art films and noted lecturers, we should bring rock-'n-roll singers, sexy films, and so-called popular comics to our thriving, intellectual campus."

**THIS SARCASTIC** comment came after a week of featuring prominent lecturers, folk-singers, and films at Portland's Fine Arts Festival.

When we read this the immediate impression was that every campus seems to have the same problems when it comes to deciding what students consider culture.

At a university such as ours, the student body is broken up into segments of interest. Each school within the University has its particular interests. Artists are prone to ignore lecturers from the business world and vice-versa.

**ON THE OTHER HAND**, when the visiting lecturer or performer is someone with a big name the crowds and interest seem to rise. When famous persons come to this University there is usually a large crowd present. Examples are when Kennedy visited in the spring of 1959 and when Mrs. Roosevelt gave a lecture on Russia a couple of years ago.

Sometimes the judgment of the assembly

planners goes astray. Recent examples are Carlos Montoya and the Travelers Three. Montoya was given the relatively small Ballroom in the SU and tickets rapidly sold out. Persons stood up to hear him. The local folk-singers were given MacCourt and there was plenty of room for many, many more students to attend.

**ROCK-'N-ROLL** singers and sexy films (whatever they are) are not what we think the University student will find interesting.

The University has done a good job offering varied cultural events for the student body. Whereas the Browsing Room and Tuesday Assembly lecturers are not usually "big" names, the rooms where they lecture are not big either. This kind of planning makes it possible for each segment of the student body to find something to draw its interest.

**THE UNIVERSITY** should be commended for the many modes of expression it allows in lectures and concerts.

The only thing lacking is the presence of more "big" name entertainers and talkers.

Portland State can have the rock-'n-roll singers and sexy movies. We think the University has thrown off its high school interests and is willing to take on some of the famous folk singers and lecturers.

## Little Man on Campus



"HE WANTS TO KNOW MOZART WROTE ANYTHING FOR STRING TRIO AND BONGO DRUMS."

## Oregon Union

We used to think that the only outside-of-class contact that the faculty had with students was a chance meeting in Maxie's or at some house dance.

**WE SMILED** the other day when we heard the SU Forum Committee was proposing a program that would "provide an intellectual closeness" between faculty and students.

Robert Forsyth, forum committee chairman, calls this program "Oregon Union." It is supposed to be modeled from Oxford University's Oxford Union debating society.

**THE COMMITTEE** assures us that this Oregon Union isn't the old, run-of-the-mill debate program. The idea is that maybe once or twice a term, some University students will debate with or against some mem-

bers of the faculty. The committee considers typical topics for debate ranging from "Recognition of Red China" to "The Worth of the Fraternity System."

The Oregon Union would actually be a moot, English House of Commons. University students would watch the debate between the faculty-student teams, then watch the rest of the Union membership debate openly. The real action of the debate is expected to occur when the chairman opens the debate for full participation.

**THIS AFTERNOON** the planning group of the proposed Union is going to meet again to discuss the feasibility for this program of "intellectual closeness." We hope that the program is established—it sounds like a good idea.

## Our Contemporaries

### Student Drinking Concept Said More Like 'Drunking'

(From the British Columbia Ubysey)

Ever since jolly, fat, Bacchus discovered the spirits derived from luscious green and blue grapes, the world has been drowned in a sea of wine, scotch, whiskey, rum, gin, vodka, tequila, and various beverages concocted by the ingenious mixing of this with that.

**THE HAPPY OLD** Greek unknowingly endowed humanity—the masses, rather—with the past-time of social and unsocial drinking. The habit of downing gallon-jugs of red wine was developed to the utmost in the times of Nero and that dear old lascivious dame, Cleopatra, reportedly saw the bottom of many a wine-skin herself.

Of course in the good old days, drinking was only next to sex in being the prime goal in every man's and women's life. Through the centuries, man has painstakingly furthered this habit (drinking) until it has become an art in itself. On the continent, children are initiated into this important phase of life at an early age; mostly after the passing of their first decade, but of course, the French (rather fast in any subject) begin almost at birth. As a result, adults develop with a mature outlook towards social and personal drinking.

We, as University students, have an immature concept of drinking!

The drinkers on campus are either hypocrits or infants.

In Vancouver, and especially on campus, the enjoyable past-time of drinking has been degraded into "drunking"

Who is responsible for this "Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde" attitude? Our upbringing and the whole outlook of Canadians in general is responsible. Sooner or later almost every individual indulges in liquids with alcoholic content. If drinking were taught at home under parental supervision, not only would students (when they reach a temperance-dominated plot of parking lots such as UBC) properly enjoy drinking, but they would know how, when, what, and where to drink. The absence of an adult attitude towards a bottle and its companion, the wine-glass, has

resulted in a flood of "drunking" on the campus.

**THE PAST** week's Football game, and Homecoming dances should adequately prove that point. Any possible normal enjoyment of alcohol cannot be received if the "it's-under-the-table" practice prevails. You scream, "then why not open drinking?" The answer is simple. Children — you haven't grown up! The nightclubs, the downtown dances, the fraternity parties, all stress—"the wet part—the bar." It seems that all the social events in a student's life are dominated by drinking, instead of drinking being part of the social events.

The establishing of open drinking on our campus would be a welcome change, but the administration would not allow this until the students decided to face the problem and recognize their stupidity.

Why not more mature "drinking" and less immature "drunking."

(From the Linfield Review)

The editorial which appeared in a recent issue of Review concerning apparel on campus when guests are here didn't go completely unnoticed. To those people who read it, particularly the co-eds on campus, we recommend you.

**HOWEVER**, it is fair to have segregation between the women and men on this campus on the type of clothing to wear while guests are visiting our campus? Many people noticed, during the recent OFCL convention which was held on the Linfield college campus, that the men on campus did not seem to care about their appearance.

Some people even saw, and mentioned to the editor, that many appeared in the Commons with sweat pants and sweat-shirts which actually had dirt on them. Is this how we show respect for guests on campus? Wearing of 'school clothes' does not just pertain to the co-eds on campus but also the 'men' on the campus, even when there aren't guests visiting here.

A NEW rule in the Commons which was inaugurated at the

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## Government Issues Reports Which Say Nation's Business in October 'Not Too Bad'

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Business in October was not too bad after all, according to reports issued by the government.

**THERE WAS** no decisive up-trend but neither was there a definite downswing.

Individual American incomes rose to new peaks last month despite new payroll cutbacks in manufacturing industries. Higher wage and salary payments in construction, retail trade and government more than offset

the dip in factory payrolls, according to a commerce department report.

Industrial production, after declining for two months, levelled off as stepped-up auto output offset declines elsewhere. Retail sales, the bulwark of the 1960 economy, perked up but still ran substantially behind the pace set earlier this year.

**WITH A** week and a half left in November there doesn't seem to be any chance of a decisive upward trend in the economy. There may even be another dip if the recent trend in many of the major business barometers continues.

Steel mills continued to operate at around 51 per cent of capacity and there are no signs of a pickup. The auto industry, a major steel consumer, has had good response to its 1961 models. But stocks are at a record high for this time of the year and already there have been announcements of plant shutdowns for inventory adjustment.

**RAIL AND** truck loadings slipped again, as did coal production and bank clearings, but electricity output and crude oil production posted small gains. Retail sales dipped somewhat

from year ago levels as unseasonably warm weather in many areas discouraged consumer buying of many lines of winter merchandise.

John K. Galbraith, president-elect Kennedy's top economic adviser, said the economy is behaving "at a far more satisfactory level." He suggested further easing of interest rates, and more active highway building and urban redevelopment programs as ways of pumping life into the economy.

But another noted economist said that with the Democratic platform not receiving a firm mandate, the social and economic promises of increases in spending may not receive sufficient support in the Congress.

**HE ADDED** that this country may not see increases in spending for urban renewal, housing, medical care, and agriculture.

Most of the experts now agree on mid-1961 as the time for business revival. A decline of only three per cent in spending by business for new plant and equipment in 1961 to 35 billion dollars apparently has eliminated one of the major concerns in the business outlook.

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