

Little Man on Campus

Allocation Without Representation

It Seems to Be
 More Profitable That Way

This year each student will contribute \$19.50 to the Athletics Department for a total student contribution of approximately \$170,000. By 1966, with a projected enrollment of 14,000 students, this total will be raised to nearly \$273,000. Thus over the next few years the Athletics Department has a guaranteed \$103,000 increase in its budget to continue to expand the athletics program. In this respect the Athletics Department is unique.

IT IS TRUE that in the same period of time the Student Union and Educational Activities Budget also benefits from a \$103,000 increase. However, there is a fundamental difference between this budget and that of the Athletics Department. The Student Union and Educational Activities Budget does not automatically increase the allocations to concerts, Student Union, ASUO, forensics, etc. whenever there is an increase in the total amount of the budget. On the contrary, each activity covered by the budget must justify and document requests for increases in their appropriations. The Budget Board then makes its decision on the basis of the validity of the request and the merit of a particular increase as opposed to increases in other areas of the overall budget. Sometimes increases are granted and sometimes not. The point is that there is an unbiased board which decides whether a budget increase is merited.

THIS IS NOT the case with the Athletics Department. Instead of being under the necessity of submitting an annual budget

to an impartial body to substantiate an increased allocation, it is guaranteed an annual increase in proportion to the increase in the number of students. Consequently the University is committed to an ever-expanding athletics program as long as the student body increases.

Such an assumption, one that each year brings a guarantee of a larger budget, is a hazardous one for any organization to operate under. There is no justification for it. But worse than this, financial commitments can be made based on the expectation of these increased revenues.

THIS WOULD commit future University administrations to policies they may or may not wish to support. For example, a new stadium might be financed through construction bonds, the payment of which would be made through the anticipated ever-increasing amount of money brought in by students' athletics fees. In that case, future administrations would be bound to maintain the compulsory athletics fees, whether or not they wish to do so.

IF THE BASIC assumption underlying items in the Student Union and Educational Activities Budget, that of having to seek increased allotments instead of being guaranteed them, were applied to the Athletics department budget, many of these hazards could be avoided. Not only would athletics be obligated to suffer under the same burden of proof as other activities, but future decisions concerning athletics policy would remain within the control of the administration and faculty.

Just Our Luck

This weekend students were faced with some of the most difficult choices they've had to make all year. The dilemma was this: Students had to decide whether or not to study for this week's midterms even though Indian astrologers have warned that today the earth "will be bathed in the blood of thousands of kings." The astrologers were fearful that the lineup of six planets in their orbits around the sun would set off earthquakes, floods, and general catastrophe that would mean doomsday for the earth.

Students realized that if the catastrophe were to come Monday, (and as of this writing there's still an outside chance it will) it would be useless to study when we're all doomed anyway. But if the sun rises and sets as usual, it might well mean doom for that western civ test grade.

Some less studious types were faced with the challenge of finding something really worthwhile, really significant, to do with those last few hours. Does a fellow spend those last few hours with a good book, like the Bible, curled up in front of a roaring fire? (Sitting in front of that fire has grim overtones, too.) Perhaps he might want to

paint in big black letters his opinion of University administrators all of over the wall of Emerald and Johnson Hall in a last-minute nose-thumbing of authority. Perhaps some sport with more nerve than prudence would see if he really could chug-a-lug a whole keg. Whatever release students took, no laughing-on-the-outside-because-I'm-crying-on-the-inside daredevils drove their souped-up Ferraris around Hayward field track, running off a 300-horsepower death wish.

But however you happened to spend what may have been your last days on earth, we hope you enjoyed them. If it makes you feel any better, in the This Week at the UO column in the Register-Guard, Monday is not mentioned. Apparently they decided to solve the problem by ignoring it, a solution which has a long and honorable tradition that should vindicate your faith in your intuition in spending these last days in laughing it up, anyway. But on the other hand, for those irresponsible party lovers who didn't study for that mid-term because they were anticipating a big blowout today, we must extend our sympathy. With most people's luck, it'll be just another Monday.



"BUT, GEE, PROFESSOR SNARF, I THOUGHT IT WAS JUST A FIGURE OF SPEECH ABOUT YER 'EXPECTING BLOOD' IN THIS COURSE"

Letters to the Editor

Play Ball

Emerald Editor:

"Senator Thurmond of South Carolina said Thursday he welcomes being called a patriot or a super-patriot," so read a UPI article in Friday's Emerald. He compared negotiations, concessions, and co-existence to a baseball game, preferably a hardball game in the major leagues. I hope that Senator Thurmond is not the type of player who sits on the bench and gripes at the rest of the team, instead of trying to win out on the field. We need less "Super-patriots" and more Willy Mays' who can hit a home run off the Reds—if we are going to win the World Series.

Michael Kimball,
 Junior in Pre-Med.

Aloha Spirit

Emerald Editor:

As a student from Hawaii I am naturally concerned about the plan of the Legislative Physical Committee to do away with the waiver of out-of-state tuition to students from Alaska and Hawaii. Perhaps this is the only fair thing to do in view of the unfavorable financial situation of state-supported schools, but nonetheless it is sad.

When Hawaii became a state she "sought equality" in the sense that her people would be able to do such things as choose their own leaders and vote in national elections. She has gained equality in that respect, but in others she is still striving for equality. One of her goals is to raise the standard of living of her people.

I AM from the island of Hawaii, where the majority of workers depend in some way on the sugar cane industry for their income. Many plantation workers were not able to finish high school because they were needed at home to help their families who had just come from Japan, China, or the Philippines. However, their children are often very capable, and the parents would like to give them the opportunity to go away to school. Because of the high cost of college, and the low level of wages, such an arrangement usually becomes impossible.

THERE IS a junior college on our island (on some islands there is not), but for the last years of one's education it is necessary to attend the University of Hawaii or a mainland school. Believe it or not, it is equally as expensive to go to

the University of Hawaii as it is to attend Oregon even with the added cost of transportation. Having no out-of-state tuition in Oregon gives some students an excellent opportunity, which they would not otherwise have, to leave the islands and get a feel of another type of living. Granted, there are poor families on the mainland, too, but there are usually junior colleges or state schools near enough to their homes so that transportation and room and board expenses are not as much of a burden. Hawaii's educational facilities are not yet this adequate.

I AM NOT trying to be melodramatic, honest, but I feel that something should be said in defense of Hawaii's students. I realize the new plan is fair and necessary, but the students from Hawaii will certainly miss Oregon's "aloha spirits."

Anne Marshall,
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Our Contemporaries

Some campi gradually go to the dogs, but the University of Utah student newspaper, the Daily Utah Chronicle, reports that the goats took over for a while on that campus.

Eight goats even serenaded the paper's editors in their offices before going on an all night "goat hunt," whatever that might be, and the animals were reportedly bathed with the help of a "dozen tiny toothbrushes wielded by I. K. goats."

The newspaper explained further, fortunately, that the "goats" were initiates of the Intercollegiate Knights, an organization going strong in the Salt Lake area, and they were really students from the University.

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