

Protests Save Trees

Responsible Voting, Hard Work Needed for Long-Range Thought

Due largely to the efforts of school of architecture faculty members and students, it now appears that trees at the corner of 11th and Patterson streets will not be removed.

Protests encouraged by Dean Lateourell, instructor, John Kenyon, assistant professor, and Marsten Morgan, senior, as well as by other students and townspeople, have persuaded the city council that curbs at the intersection should not be widened at this time.

The actions of these members of the University community who helped bring about this decision should be appreciated by everyone who wants the city to remain attractive.

However, this does not mark an end to the problems which caused the removal of many trees and threatened many more. Streets leading to the University are still crowded with traffic, and it is still becoming increasingly difficult to find a parking place.

Protests that solve immediate problems have their value. But they cannot replace the long-range planning, the anticipation of problems, and the thoughtful creation of machinery to solve these problems without protest and provocation. Some of the 50 or so citizens present at Thursday's meeting of the city council as a committee of the whole, volunteered their services along these lines.

The traffic and parking problems resulting from the population growth of the city and the University will not be solved by a series of inconsistent and occasional protests. They can only be met through responsible informed voting—not the kind that refused to give the city the right to establish municipal parking lots. Also needed is some downright hard work, the type that is unglamorous and goes unnoticed, the type that the people who volunteered Thursday will be performing.

A Pitch for ROTC

Reprinted below is an editorial from Thursday's Eugene Register-Guard. It is reprinted not necessarily because the Emerald agrees with all the comments made within, but because it represents one aspect of the situation which will exist on the University campus next year when freshmen will have an opportunity to choose between ROTC and no ROTC.

* * *

This is the time of year that high school seniors are coming to grips with the hard facts. What about next year? Many are planning on college, most likely at Oregon or Oregon State. They are making these choices now. They are also giving serious thought to their course of study. Too few of the boys may be giving adequate thought to the next big question. How about right after college? Hoy about that military obligation that faces every young man?

When you're 17 or 18, four years seems like a long time. But it really isn't. That military obligation must be met. The time to think about "after college" is "before college." One of the wisest courses a young man can elect to pursue is the reserve officer program at the two big state schools. There is some concern this year that a sufficient number won't elect it soon enough.

Next fall, for the first time, the first two years of military science will be voluntary. Heretofore, those two years were compulsory, with the last two years, leading to a reserve commission, voluntary and highly selective. Young men had the two years to look around the department before deciding if they wished to finish out the course. Now they won't have that opportunity, unless they elect the basic course.

Recognizing the fact of this military obligation, today's young man would be foolish not to investigate the reserve officer program. He would be better paid and better treated when he does wear his uniform full time. He would have an opportunity for

service at the full extent of his capacity instead of at only a small part of his capacity. And the program itself is of considerable educational value.

Gone forever is the day when just anybody could be a colonel and carry out the colonel's old function—waving a big sword and screaming "Charge!" Even since World War II, the demands upon officers have grown greatly. Today's officer must be not only a fighting man, but also part diplomat, businessman, public relations man, lobbyist, scientist, and housemother. More than ever before, it is an experience that calls for the best.

Many young men, especially those bent upon what may be termed intellectual careers, are too likely to shun ROTC training, fearing that the time spent in military science will take away from their general educational opportunities. It seems to us that the reverse is quite the case. Training such as the military offers is especially important for young men whose main careers likely will be in strictly intellectual pursuits. It can help to round them out, to make them less provincial, to show them a slice of the world that they might not otherwise understand.

ROTC also offers the young man a protection from the whims of selective service. Only through a program such as this can he be sure that he'll be left alone for his four college years. This is true, of course, only if there is no war. If war comes, the ROTC man will be right along with the rest—but still with a substantial advantage.

The young man contemplating his military service may not look forward to it enthusiastically. Yet, the obligation is there. It is an obligation, a serious one. No young man who is really conscientious will settle for doing less than his capacities suggest that he can.

The college ROTC, now voluntary, is a good bet that should not be overlooked. The time to decide is now, years before the hard facts are readily apparent.



What do you mean I need my personality rating form?
by J. K. Ohan '62

Jay Jackson

Outgoing SU Board Head Notes Future Challenges

In the four years I have been here at the University, I have seen activities undergoing subtle changes; and the change is likely to continue.

The Union Board has always taken the lead in evaluating and developing its programs. The Board has eliminated programs which were found to be unnecessary or which conflicted with the purpose of the University. The Board must continue to develop and expand its program into new areas if the Union is to keep abreast of our changing campus.

...THIS PAST year the Union Board has expanded many of its existing program areas. It has added many new groups and programs including scuba diving, fencing, folkdancing, ski trips, intercollegiate chess tournaments, academic retreat, last lecture series, lecture travel movie series, jazz workshop in the bottom of the bowl, and Union Square. It has initiated the intimate chamber concert series but has left to next year's board the task of getting this program off the ground. It has also left to next year's board a proposal to establish a folk music program. But also, the Board has failed—it has failed to give leadership particularly with regard to the Oregon Union and forum program.

However, it would not be appropriate for me to expand on the accomplishments of this year's board when, in fact, credit is due mainly to others who work rather than talk. Rather today I would like to offer a challenge to the Student Union—and to student activities a challenge to keep abreast with our rapidly expanding campus. This is vital if we are to continue to provide adequately for the students, faculty, and staff at this academic community.

In the future there will be stronger demand for expanded programs of intellectual and academic natures. We must meet this demand with stimulating programs to fill this need. The Student Union should act as the co-ordinating body for academic emphasis outside the classroom.

As the demands in the classroom continue to increase, the Union must expand its recreational programs to give outlets for emotional pressures and frustrations caused by added academic pressures. In most areas in the past, the Union has pushed its program forward into program areas mainly in response to immediate needs of our students. If we

(Continued on page 3)

OREGON DAILY EMERALD

The Oregon Daily Emerald is published seven times in September and five days a week during the school year, except during examination and vacation periods by the Student Publication Board of the University of Oregon. Entered as second class matter at the post office, Eugene, Oregon. Subscription rates: \$5 per year; \$2 per term.

Opinions expressed on the editorial page are those of The Emerald and do not pretend to represent the opinion of the ASUO or the University.

RON BUEL, Editor
ART EMIG, Business Manager
TED MAHAR, Managing Editor
MERRIE WHITESIDE, News Editor
PHIL COGSWELL, Editorial Page Editor
MARTY KETELS, Advertising Manager
JIM FRAKE, Sports Editor
JANET GOETZE, Assistant Managing Editor
EVERETTE DENNIS, DAVE SANDS, Assistant News Editors
DAVE STOREY, Assistant Sports Editor
KARL BROOM, Photo Editor
DULCY MORAN, Women's Editor
LINDA BROWN, Entertainment Editor
EDITORIAL BOARD:
Ron Buel, Phil Cogswell, Ted Mahar, Merrie Whiteside, Janet Goetze, Everette Dennis, Dave Sands, Quentin Breen, Hal Carpenter, Bob Forsyth, Phil Sheburne, Jim Paulson, John Tysell, and Steve Hintz

Letters to the Editor

Erroneous Editorial Emerald Editor:

The lead editorial in Thursday's Oregon Daily Emerald is so filled with inaccuracies that one scarcely knows where to begin in trying to make a reasoned comment on it.

For example, you state that the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics has not continued this year to work on an athletic code for the University.

The fact is that the committee last year, upon hearing of the appointment of President

Flemming, decided to postpone further action on a code until the arrival on campus of the new president. Upon his arrival the proposed code was discussed by the committee with the president at great length on many

(Continued on page 3)