

Wanted: Friends for Education

Recent Attacks Point Up Higher Education's Problem

The grossly unfair attacks of legislators on the objectives and operation of the State System of Higher Education in recent days makes it clear that higher education needs some friends in Salem. Even the most effective lobbyist will probably not be successful in convincing Sen. Walter Pearson and his supporters that graduate education is important to the state's development. Many legislators are simply incapable of understanding the importance of graduate education, scientific and scholarly research, and maintenance of outstanding professors.

The legislators are probably quite accurate in their assertions that higher education has not been effective in communicating with the grassroots. The package which the State System is trying to sell at Salem does not enjoy wide support in the grassroots and probably never will. Higher education faces serious public relations problems. Most of them were created by former Chancellor John Richards who talked down to legislators and who occasionally withheld information from them. The more honest, congenial approach of Chancellor Roy E. Lieuallen is a step in the right direction, but comes at a time when legislators are still extremely apprehensive about higher education.

Attempts by the State Board to appeal to many of the present legislators have been futile. They neither understand nor want to understand education's problems. Of course the states colleges and universities do have some friends in the legislature, but they are few in number. Sen. Alfred Corbett, for example, is an effective and articulate friend of college students. But there are too few Sen. Corbetts in the legislature and his softspoken words never attract the statewide attention that statements by Pearson, Ward Cook and others receive.

Students ought to be concerned about the makeup of the legislature and of the reactionary positions many representatives and senators have taken in regard to education.

Students have no professional dedication to higher education. They can see things with clear eyes and can be extremely effective spokesmen for education. We are hopeful that the Young Republicans, Young Democrats and other student groups play an active role in the Oregon primary next spring supporting pro-education candidates. Individual students can exert influence by writing letters to their local newspapers commenting on the record of their legislator. A student, objective and emotionally detached, could have more bi-partisan influence on the local scene than a legislator does. It's time for students to be concerned. There could be no better service to the University and to the state than a student movement to oust some of the anti-education mossbacks presently representing us in Salem. Higher education needs friends.

Rules of Procedure and Faster Senate Meetings

Our Senate reporters who sometimes get quite discouraged about the ASUO Senate's long, dull meetings have been extremely enthusiastic ever since last Thursday's Senate meeting. The reason: Parliamentarian Berry Winters' proposal to establish rules of procedure for the Senate and make way (hopefully) for shorter Senate meetings. In response to a question regarding the length of Senate meetings and whether he had time to attend the usual three and a half hour meetings. Winters said "maybe with rules of procedure we can cut them down to an hour and a half."

Winters' point is well taken. Rules of procedure rather than the long, formal procedures of Roberts Rules of Order could speed up Senate meetings. Most deliberative bodies do have their own rules and the proposal is most appropriate.

Herblock



"I Declare, I Don't Know Where-All The Lad Picked Up Such Habits."

Letters To the Editor

Birchers Have Point

Emerald Editor:

This letter is regarding the editorial about the Birchers which appeared in the Tuesday November 19th Emerald. Along with the editorial, the article by the chairman of the University's Assemblies and Lecture Committee, seems to make it apparent that Prof. Straton and the Committee are not a vast conspiracy to deny public forums to conservatives.

However, as Prof. Straton pointed out in his article, many different groups may invite speakers to the campus, having nothing to do with the Assemblies Committee.

I believe the statement that an "Obvious bias to left-wingers exists on the campus," made by the coordinator of the John Birch Society is quite true in the large sense encompassing the whole campus, except for the Assemblies Committee itself.

During the time I have been on Campus practically all the speakers that have been presented with any amount of publicity have been "liberals" while except for Goldwater I have heard of no conservative speakers being present.

**John Zimmerman
Freshman**

Concert and Dance?

Emerald Editor:

I tried to purchase two tickets to the Homecoming dance. Upon trying, I was told that one cannot buy only a dance ticket but must pay \$7.00 for a concert ticket which "allows" the couple to attend the dance. Since two concert tickets cost \$7.00 the dance afterwards is apparently "free." This procedure has been prevalent for the past few years.

Since homecoming is typically a whole university activity, why should we pay for a concert when undoubtedly some of us only wish to attend the dance. Is this an attempt to force the students on Victor Borge?

Some arrangement should be made in ticket sales for those who do not wish to attend both events.

**Reb Bennett
Junior in General
Science**

View of Willcox

Emerald Editor:

The inquisitive nature of the human animal drives him to seek some order for his life, to find those aspects of living which are of value to him, and to know why they are of value. Through this search each man gains an understanding of what he is.

Occasionally there will come

along a human of such understanding that his thoughts are a source of inspiration for other men. W. R. B. Willcox was a man who possessed this kind of wisdom, and for this reason he was asked to come to this University to organize the Architecture department; which, under his guidance, gained the reputation of being among the top five architectural schools in this country.

Because of his rare understanding his words were published in the national journals of his time. Excerpts from one of these publications will be printed tomorrow in the Emerald under the same heading as this introduction.

Another source of his wisdom is available for our benefit. This source is the College Side Inn Building, wherein Willcox, the artist expressed his understanding of the human need to communicate, to get heads together, over a drink, and share the most important product of human existence—ideas. He has given us a work of art created for our most potent source of understanding—Talk (the nose to nose kind).

We the student body, and we the owners of this building (Co-op members), will have our right to the last say as to the fate of The Willcox Building. Whether our decision be to destroy it, so that the Co-op can occupy that economically desirable corner lot, or our decision be to restore and preserve this important part of Oregon's heritage.

**Tod Lundy
Junior in Architecture**

OREGON DAILY EMERALD

The Oregon Daily Emerald is published twice in September and five days a week during the academic year, except during examination and vacation periods by the Student Publications 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.

- EVERETTE DENNIS, Editor
 - LARRY WILLIAMS, Business Manager
 - JANET GOETZE, Managing Editor
 - JIM SPEER, Advertising Manager
 - RON COWAN, News Editor
 - DOUG RAGEN, Editorial Page Editor
 - CATHY NEVILLE, Academic Affairs Editor
 - DICK RICHARDSON, Associate Editor
 - JIM FRAKE, Assistant Managing Editor
 - RAY MAST, Sports Editor
 - JOE BERGER, Assistant News Editor
 - GEORGE BIGHAM, Photo Editor
 - THORA WILLIAMS, Feature Editor
 - CHUCK BEGGS, Entertainment Editor
 - IRMA-DAWN MOAR, Women's Editor
 - PHYLLIS ELVING, Associate News Editor
- Editorial Board: Everette Dennis, Ron Cowan, Janet Goetze, Doug Ragen, Dick Richardson, Dave Sands, Jerry Utti, Ray Mast, Pam Paszkowski, Cathy Neville, Pat Holt, Simeon Crowther, Doug Combs, Joe Berger, Jim Frake, Linda Brown.

Letters to the Editor

Point of Disagreement

Emerald Editor:

Re: Linda Gibbons' piece on YMCA Dialogue Sessions Emerald, Nov. 13.

Some of us are forced to differ with Educator Raymond Lowe's quoted statement that "Men hunt and fish to get away from women." There are quite a few big game hunters who take along or meet their dears in the bush . . . the Alaskan bush, anyway . . . and there are plenty who are happy to have the "weaker" sex along so that they may show their masculine superiority in shooting magnums, in hiking and climbing or riding endurance.

Some take the femmes along to do the camp cooking or to help with the dishwashing and chores if they cannot afford guides and cooks for their hunting expedition.

This female accompaniment is common in the African bush also. (See Hemmingway's story on the short, happy life of Francis McCumsomething-or-other and the windfall cot). If Professor Lowe will examine the hunting and fishing field closer he will modify his sweeping statement.

Surely Mrs. Schoggen does not believe, as she was quoted, that the only role "definitely masculine or feminine is childbearing." Men obviously don't bear children. Childbearing may be the principle of the sexes but there are other comfortable interrelationships which are almost as important as reproduction.

Tritley—one of the female's chief missions in life is to bolster up the male ego—give him

plenty of TLC or tender, lovin' care.

The proof of the pudding is the unattached-to-a-male career woman. If she is honest she will admit that she is not filling the cup to the brim.

Since the early-day Oregon men to the California gold mines awhile, Oregon women have become capable interim managers. There are some capable ones around the campus and there is no reason that some of them, due to stimuli of circumstances, should not compete in the man's world. Consequently, they should be allowed the same opportunities of reporting of football games that male reporters have. Perhaps the University of Oregon coaches are afraid that the next thing the gals will want is an interview in the locker room.

A girls-eye-commentary on a post-game locker room scene might be enlightening at that. Enough of this regression.

**J. C. Briggs
Senior in Journalism**

Counters Dean's Position

Emerald Editor:

If the article, in regard to men's closing hours in the November 20 issue of the Emerald, was correct in quoting the assistant dean of students, then it appears that the gentleman's statements lacked both consistency and good taste.

Mr. Nickerson has continually stressed the importance of the new code (and its closing regulations) as requiring something of a very mature approach on the part of the individual student.

And too, if this gentleman, like his fellow educators, prides education and himself as a means of guiding the student toward complete (i.e. mental and social) maturity, then his reference to girls as "toys" for boys was very much out of place coming from a mature adult in Mr. Nickerson's position.

**N. Anthony Wascher
Junior in English**

Another View of Cuba

Emerald Editor:

In sharp contrast to the rosy picture of living conditions in Cuba under the Castro regime painted by Charles O. Porter (reported recently in The Emerald) is a letter which just arrived from Havana. Under the date of Oct. 25, a typical Cuban housewife writes:

"Before Flora had made her long and disastrous visit over the Oriente province everything was already lacking more and worse. There was very little coffee, but since ten days ago there is none at all. Only three times at breakfast were we able to have coffee from the package C. sent us for it was nearly three months on the way and once out of the container it spoiled very quickly. The complaint is widespread, the coffee addict Cuban people feel lost. We hear of people who have paid \$12 for one pound. The second spool of thread has arrived, also this stationery on which I am writing. We have consumed all the soups and sweet gelatins you sent us. Really, I don't know how we would manage to get along without the help you people are giving us. If you can, please send Asphen pill, for

(Continued on page 3)