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## Why, Gentlemen?

An open letter to 117 faculty members:

You voted Wednesday to keep your meetings closed. Although 102 of your fellow faculty members present thought opening the meetings to the public and the press on a trial basis was a good idea, you voted to continue to make the public that pays your salaries, the press which is committed to keeping people informed, and all but two of the students whose educations you control, outside the doors of room 150 Science.

Why?

That's a legitimate question, since none of us were inside to hear what reasons you had for keeping your meetings closed.

It must be that you are either afraid or you are stubborn.

If you are stubborn there is nothing we can say, except that we always thought education involved willingness to accept new ideas and willingness to change. Perhaps you don't share that willingness.

If you are afraid, then we must ask what you are afraid of.

That you will be misquoted and misrepresented? You will be misrepresented much worse if no one can be sure what you are doing while the doors are closed.

That having other people and the press there will inhibit your discussion? We hope you are not talking about things that need to be kept secret. We would expect our faculty to be more honest than that. After all, anything that is really important can be said in front of the world, in fact, it should be said in front of the world. Could it be that you really don't have anything important to say?

Perhaps you wanted the meetings closed because you don't believe that students should have any knowledge of what goes into decisions that affect their education and their lives as students.

Many students will be angry with you. They will have a right to be angry because you have said to them, in effect, "you are not competent to have more than two of your number come to our meetings and listen to what we say. You are second class citizens in the University community."

We're sorry, gentlemen, that you voted to make us wait outside. Sorry that you could not agree with your 102 fellow faculty members. Sorry because you have so little faith in students, in the press, and in the public. Sorry because apparently you have something to hide or at least think you have something to hide. Sorry you are too stubborn to change tradition.

In other words, gentlemen, you made a mistake.

## SWINE Has a Place

SWINE has a place on this campus. The idea of a protest group called Students Wildly Indignant about Nearly Everything, conceived by cartoonist Al Capp, was founded for a worthwhile reason, to satirize the increasing practice of students protesting for the sake of protesting.

Good satire is always healthy, if used discriminately. And we should always be willing to look at the seemingly serious daily problems from an objective, and often humorous, light.

Nearly as important a function of such a group as SWINE is its role as a "third party" on campus. Third parties, like the "radical middle," nearly always generate interest in political issues. But we wish to remind the SWINE people to keep in mind the original spirit of Capp's fictional SWINE characters . . . to satirize. Make sure the marchers in your demonstrations know what they're there for, and try to encourage them to act responsibly.

Take a lesson from the rest of the cartoon series from which the idea sprang. Don't let a pink cloud of collegiate enthusiasm overcome those who are in a position to guide and control. If the original idea of SWINE is lost here on campus, as it was in the comic strip, all will have been for naught.

## Oyez, Oyez

Editor's Note: This is the Law School's annual proclamation for Lawst Weekend. It was submitted by Charles Morberg, president of the Student Bar Association.

Be it known to all by these presents that upon this 13th day of May, the year of our Lord 1966, there will issue forth from the bowels of Fenton Hall a rapacious phalanx, to wit: Fenton's Filly-Busters. And that said Busters shall engage in various and sundry revelries, debaucheries, exhibitions, and raucous and riotous merriment, known to the unwashed multitudes at Lawst Weekend.

Be it known, furthermore, that from dawn to dusk this iniquitous Friday the 13th, that none of said Busters shall be liable in any court of this jurisdiction, be it real or imaginary, for any relief be it legal or equitable, (save self-help), to any maidens, be the "chased" or otherwise, who, to their own peril, come within the purview of said denizens of the Dean.

Any Filly, as hereinabove characterized, who shall use public or quasi-public passages shall be held to impliedly consent, upon penalty of loss of consortium, to participation in the following activities.

Today's events will commence with morning classes in Fenton Hall. Therein, legal scholars of not some little repute, will address a tumultuous assembly of students, maidens and assorted ruffians. At half past noon there will be a lighting of the Torch of Justice in the vicinity of the park blocks. (The exact situs being unknown to all but those third year students who frequent a nearby establishment). Henceforth and wherefrom third year students will, torch raised high, carry said same symbol to the steps of Fenton where their arrival, eagerly anticipated, will be welcomed by those there soberly assembled.

Immediately following, a procession will embark for Robinson's Inn wherein, amidst ale and smoke, students and their assorted companions will engage in quiet contemplation of numerous topics, proposals and propositions.

From Robinson's Inn, the horde will proceed with all due haste to the Erb Memorial Union, where at four o'clock the candidates for law school queen will be assembled. It is to be remembered that in the eyes of the law MINIMUM EST NIHILE PROXIMUM. She who is deemed most fair in PECTORE JUDICIS will be selected and crowned.

Thenceforth the riotous assembly will orderly disperse. Festivities extending far into the night will mark the end of another Lawst Friday. The men of Fenton will then return to their hallowed halls, their weighty books and thoughts of finals, to again emerge until the following spring.

## Emerald Editor:

### May Boomerang

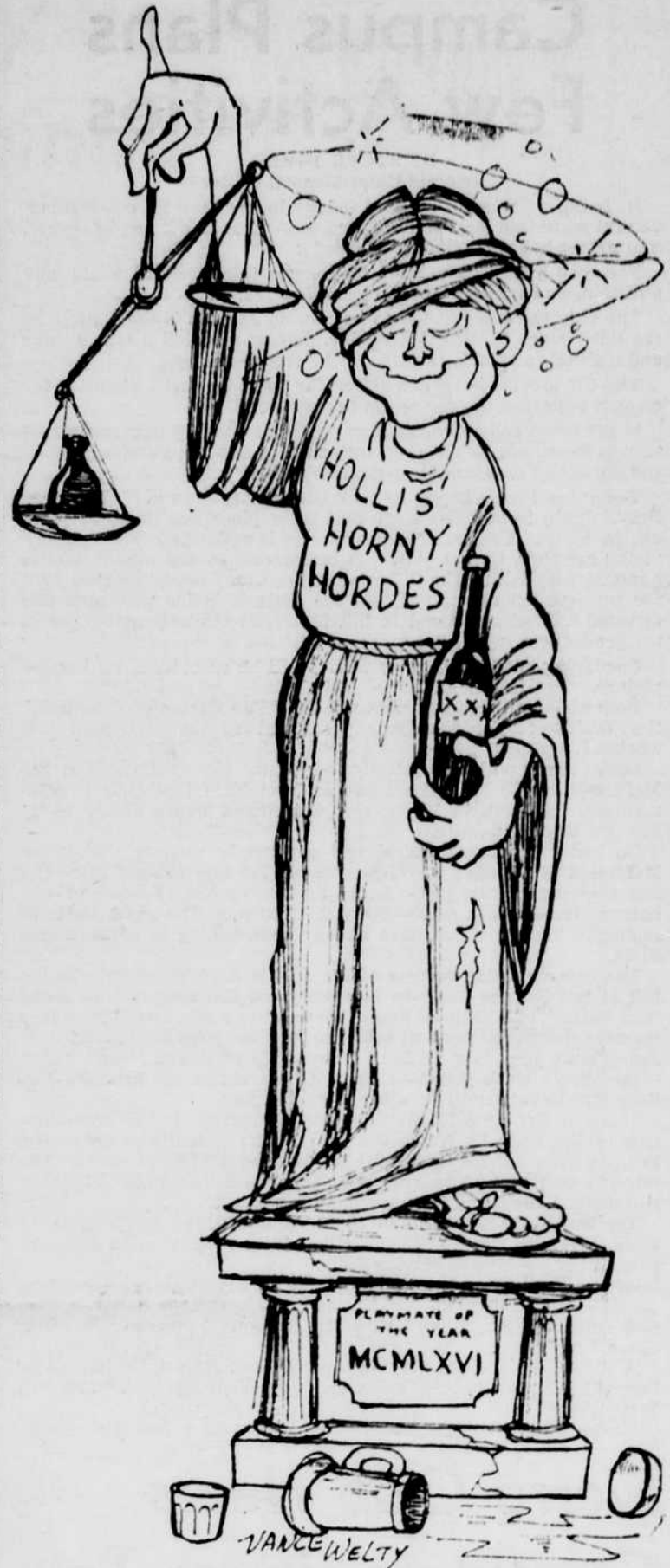
Emerald Editor:

Howard Morgan's campaign for a seat in the United States Senate is attracting many people (all of them volunteers) who are working very hard for his election in the Democratic primary, May 24. Many small contributions are flowing into Morgan headquarters at 804 Pearl St. in Eugene.

His opponent, Mr. Duncan, on the other hand, has found it necessary to employ for some time now a full-time political expert in Lane county. And now comes news of the additional hiring of a Madison Ave. public relations man to conduct the Duncan campaign in Oregon. The question arises, "Where does this kind of money come from?"

This technique may boomerang, as I trust it will, because Americans generally, and Oregonians in particular, do not like

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Lawst Weekend

## Emerald Editor:

### Bad Attitude

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Mr. Lou Sinniger (with the "aching guts"), I agree with you. But as a person with anti-war sympathies, I don't like your attitude.

I don't like it because, judging by your letter, you base your anti-Viet-war philosophy—not on love for the Vietnamese—but on hate for the Americans.

Thus your arrogance is only polluting in its infancy this growing flow of history. The anti-war movement is an expression of more universally genuine longings and thoughts than were revealed in your letter.

Andy Ragland  
Freshman, Liberal Arts

### Support Subhash Jain

Emerald Editor:

It is with great pleasure that we support the candidacy of Subhash Jain for the post of president of Cosmopolitan Club. He is a man of considerable political knowledge and experience, and he has that high degree of common sense necessary for a president in dealing with the problems of international students on this campus.

His academic record is excellent, he has a pleasant personality, he is an excellent speaker, and he impresses people as a man who will get things done. And we are sure that when he is elected he will get them done.

We, therefore, request all the

students on this campus to come to the Cosmo Club meeting today at 7:30 p.m. at Wesley Foundation and support Subhash in the election.

Neal Mohtadi, President  
Arab Association

Sergio Guonado, President  
Latin America Association

Burt Te, ex-President  
Chinese Students Association

Ilima Lynton, Panama  
Friday Udo-aka, Nigeria  
Ahmad M. M. Sharif, Iraq  
Narumol Dilokwanich, Thailand

Takeshi Shibata, Japan  
Ivor S. Mitchell, British Guiana

Atila Dereli, Turkey  
Sohan Sihota, President  
India Association

### Good as Batman

Emerald Editor:

I really appreciate the opportunity Monday night to have heard George Szell conduct the Cleveland orchestra. It was superior.

And since it was offered free to the student body, I only wish more students would recognize the value of such an experience—one at least equivalent to an evening with Batman.

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