

OSU Vietnam Ballots Refute Pollster Claims

While over half of Oregon State students polled in a December balloting were dissatisfied with the present U.S. policy in Viet Nam, only 314 favored unconditional withdrawal.

These and other conflicting facts were uncovered as final tabulations came in for the Viet Nam poll conducted by the Associated Students of Oregon State University (ASOSU) Public Affairs Committee, headed by Warren Harding.

The student opinion, which covered two days of balloting, represents about 6,000 of the 13,000 students at Oregon State University.

The results as received by the committee:

"In general terms, I support the administration's policy in Viet Nam."

Yes: 1842

New Platypuss Goes on Sale

With its basic format unchanged, the second issue of "Platypuss" is off the press. The Platypuss is an underground magazine published by students and alumni of the University and Oregon State University.

A take-off from the serious articles on campus and national issues and jokes is the centerfold Playmate of the Month which features an all-purpose pin-up with various stages of undress available.

The magazine is on sale at the University and Oregon State, and some other points in Eugene and Corvallis.

Correspondents View Viet Nam Conflict

From Saigon, four leading correspondents view Viet Nam's battles and bulletins in "NET Journal — Waterfront '68," today at 9 a.m. on Channels 7 and 10.

The men focus on various aspects of the information war, such as alleged Administration effort to discredit and widespread pessimism of press reports.

Other subjects include pacification, the recent Vietnamese elections, growing anti-Americanism in South Viet Nam, and the difficulty of molding nation spirit in a "non-nation."

No: 2211

Undecided: 514

"Should the U.S. withdraw from Viet Nam immediately and unconditionally?"

Yes 314

No 2877

Undecided 442

"Should the U.S. withdraw from Viet Nam gradually and unconditionally?"

Yes 1569

No 2116

Undecided 473

"Our present effort including bombing of North Viet Nam should be escalated."

Yes 2563

No 1460

Undecided 590

"Is the United Nation's capable of providing a basis for settlement of the conflict?"

Yes 1525

No 2630

Undecided 733

"How long do you think the war will continue?"

Less than six months—21

Less than one year—159

Less than two years—1658

Five years or more—2479

"Is accurate, factual information of the Viet Nam war available to the public of the U.S.?"

Yes 800

No 3143

Undecided 622

A similar poll will probably be conducted this term by the ASUO Senate.

Retraction

In the opinion of the publisher of the 1967 Course Survey Bulletin, the evaluation of the SOC 451: Social Stratification course taught by Professor R. A. Ellis does not accurately reflect the student responses upon which these evaluations were reportedly based.

The publisher regrets the original publication and any embarrassment which may have resulted therefrom. Copies of a corrected evaluation, prepared by the staff of Student Projects, Inc., are available upon request at room 310 of the Erb Memorial Union and the store in the lobby of the Erb Memorial Union for insertion in the copies of the bulletin previously sold.

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SDS Outlines Program For Increased Action

There's a new Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) on campus this term. At least that is what the people manning a EMU terrace table say.

At first glance, the new SDS looks much like the old, but the change, supporters say, is to be manifested in increased action.

"People on this campus don't know the issues... There is a major problem with apathy. We are trying to promote some action," stated one of the five young men at the SDS table Friday.

"Cause Important"

These people refused to be identified, stating that their cause was what was important, not the recognition gained by having one's name in print.

According to a spokesman, the SDS has no formal structure or organization. "It's just interested individuals who want to get something done for a change," he stated.

If there isn't sufficient interest in the new SDS, the promoters who are working with the Community Action Center, plan to start a group called Students Against War and Fascism. A spokesman stressed that this shouldn't be confused with Youth Against War and Fascism which "is subversive organization."

Ideas Familiar

Many of the ideas expressed by the five young men are familiar. "Our troops should withdraw — it's not our country. We didn't have any part in making these laws that are governing us—like the draft law."

"There's no recognition of minority opinion today. Our appearance is a way of showing society what we think of its values." And so went the often-

heard arguments of the angry men.

According to a supporter, the group's table will be set up every class day for the rest of the term.

Among the books, peace buttons, and pamphlets available at the table is a 14-page paper called Survival News Notes For Being.

The paper, which is printed on long green sheets, declares it has no editors, writers, artists, advertisers, distributors, publishers, etc.

It states, "Nobody does anything, it all just happens because we know the dangers of becoming involved with structural responsibilities. The next issue will probably never happen. However, we would like to thank everyone who donated their time talking about 'What this campus needs is an underground newspaper.'"

The paper seems to center around the issues of Viet Nam and the draft, but also includes stories concerning drugs, love, police brutality, and other topics. Many of the stories are reprints from other sources.

One article titled "Our Jail," states, "The Eugene jail seems like a product of 17th-century France. It is a rotten place... bad by any standards and I've been in other jails."

The paper also states that 60 people have been arrested in the Eugene area in 1967 for various narcotics violations and then states the "few sensible approaches" to the dope situation. These approaches included getting people to work for the legalization of marijuana, precautions against getting busted (don't smoke with anyone), funds to aid those who are arrested, and finally "Give up smoking... transcend."

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