

Pearl, Morse address Young Demos

Pearl makes first speech of campaign

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"Politics should be made easier for everyone to become involved in and it should be fun . . . We're gonna have a ball, and . . . we're gonna win," said an optimistic and enthusiastic Arthur Pearl, candidate for governor.

Pearl, who announced his candidacy Friday in Portland, made his first major address as a candidate to the state convention of the Young Democrats Saturday in 180 PLC.

By making politics enjoyable, he said, his campaign will serve to get more people directly involved in the political process, the result of which would be that "we can sweep out of state government every single phoney and every single hireling of the associated Oregon industries."

"We've got to get across to the people of Oregon that industry is robbing them blind," Pearl told his predominantly student audience.

"The poor pay all of the taxes and the rich don't pay any," he said, ". . . and they (the rich) continue to elect people to office who won't let them be taxed."

"We have the best legislators," Pearl stated, "that money can buy."

When the President authorizes hundreds of millions of dollars to be spent on such programs as a supersonic transport, a "tragic" situation in itself in a world in which millions are starving, Pearl said, it is the citizens of the United States, as the funding taxpayers, who take the economic risks, but it is business that gets the profit.

Attacks McCall

"If we take the risk," Pearl said, "We should get the profit."

Pearl said we have "a lame duck president, a lame duck governor, and lame duck legislators," and he scored "the absolute inability of elected officials today to see beyond their noses."

They lack "the courage and the intelligence . . . to solve the enormous problems facing this state and nation," he said.

Pearl attacked his probable opponent in next year's election, Governor Tom McCall, saying, "we've got to get politicians to tell the truth . . . if we got McCall to tell the truth he'd be 'Silent Tom.'"

He criticized McCall's support of Nixon's Vietnam policies. "Nothing that has been said by the Governor or the President in the last week (about Vietnam) makes any sense at all."

Pearl said he doesn't think Mc-

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APPROXIMATELY 70 DELEGATES at the Young Democrats convention this weekend heard Art Pearl (left) make his first major speech since announcing his intention to run for the Oregon gubernatorial seat Friday. The body also voted to support Wayne Morse (right) if he should decide to make a bid for a congressional seat.

Photos by Matt McCormick and Charlie Thomas

Convention delegates seek to 'return party to people'

Arthur Pearl, Wayne Morse, a new Constitution and new state officers highlighted the state convention of the Young Democrats held this weekend at the University.

Billed as an effort to "revitalize" YD's and to "return a political party to the people," the convention began Saturday afternoon with a series of informal seminars. The nearly 70 YD's in attendance broke into three groups to discuss "Revision of YD Constitution," "Return a Political Party to the People," and "Dirty Politics."

That evening University education Professor Arthur Pearl addressed the group in his first speech since he announced his candidacy for governor Friday in Portland.

Pearl lauded the group for its effort to "revitalize" the YD organization. "Unless we really begin to take seriously the revitalization of YD's," he said, "there won't be many old Democrats in the future."

Pearl was introduced by ASUO President Kip Morgan, who said the purpose of the weekend convention was "gaining control of the decisions which effect us."

"We (students) have been leading the fight against racism, and yet we really have no control over the decisions which affect our lives," Morgan stated.

Students, Morgan said, are "completely sub-

servient to those who have the right to give grades."

"If we are going to . . . solve our problems, then we are going to have to stop begging," he said, and "we are going to have to take control of those positions ourselves."

Morgan sees a revitalization of YD's as an effort in this direction.

Sunday the convention adopted a new constitution aimed at ending the organization's "subservience" to the Democratic Party, according to State YD President Peggy Bradley.

The new constitution states: "The purpose of the Young Democratic Clubs of Oregon shall be to implement and strive to realize the goals and ideals of the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights and to enlighten and educate the Democratic Party of Oregon and elected officials of the needs and desires of the people of Oregon."

"This organization," it continues, "shall strive to influence the policies of the Democratic Party in this State and nationally."

Membership in the organization is open to any Oregonian between the ages of 14 and 35 "who considers himself to be a Democrat."

Sunday afternoon former Sen. Wayne Morse addressed the group. After his speech the YD's voted unanimously to support Morse if he seeks the Fourth District Congressional seat.

Wayne Morse gains support at YD gathering

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Wayne Morse returned to the University classroom Sunday and left with the state Young Democratic convention's unanimous support for a congressional bid.

Morse, a former dean of the University's law school, gave a lecture in political science to about 175 youthful politicians and observers who had gathered in 180 PLC for the afternoon session of the statewide meeting.

The former old tiger of the Senate emphasized party unity as he told the young people what their role is in returning the Democratic party to national leadership.

They reciprocated by singing "Happy Birthday" to the former Senator on the eve of his 69th birthday and by voting unanimously to support him if he decides to try for Oregon's Fourth District seat in the U.S. Congress.

Morse lauds unity

Morse cited a need to examine the unity of the state's Democratic party and to find out what the financial status of a bid for the seat would be before deciding whether or not to run.

He told the group if he re-entered politics, it would probably be in the congressional race, as his experience was legislative rather than executive.

Morse, who has been asked to return to the classroom as a regular instructor, made the transition from the fiery war critic who spoke last Wednesday in favor of the Moratorium, to the guest lecturer guiding his pupils to understand political tenets.

He told the group a unified party was a necessity for success.

"Any chasms that develop between the young and senior Democratic parties in this state have to be bridged, or better yet, filled up," he advised.

Stresses committees

Morse added the young and old should become equal partners in the state's political processes, if the party were to function as a whole and be successful.

He stressed the importance of politics at the committee level and advised the young Democrats they should be filling more and more of the committee positions.

"A party, as far as winning elections is concerned, is just as strong as it is at the committee level," Morse told them.

He instructed the young people to "get it out of your heads if you think that only the young are concerned about your views."

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Few answers seen in housing crisis

Editor's Note: This is the last in a series on off-campus housing.

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There aren't many solutions to the housing problem in Eugene and they all cost money.

This is because the problem is so massive and widespread that it will take a large concentrated effort by many agencies and institutions to solve.

One solution suggested by the Central Lane Planning Commission, is to maintain the area around campus for high density housing by enforcing zoning codes and limiting the number of commercial enterprises moving near campus.

The maintenance of older homes in the area is essential to the success of this plan.

This would aid students who want to live near campus and would keep the University community together.

The Central Lane Planning Commission has come to the conclusion that this is physically possible between High and Alder from Franklin to 19th.

The commission, in a study completed

last summer, also found out that if the Amazon Parkway and Ferry street connection doesn't cut in on existing housing this area can house the majority of students off campus when enrollment of the University reaches 20,000.

By keeping the area around campus as they are and enforcing housing codes to assure at least minimum standards, about 9,200 students can live around campus.

CLPC also recommended that the area south of 19th St. and east of campus be maintained for use of married students and faculty members.

FEDERAL AID MAY HELP

A program already in existence that could aid married students in finding housing is the federally subsidized leased housing program.

As the program now works a local housing agency leases houses and apartments and sub-leases them to poor families. The federal government then subsidizes part of each month's rent for the family.

Acceptance to the program is based on immediate need, date of application and residence within the city at the time of application.

Applicants must have resided in Lane County for at least six months and must

sign a lease for a minimum of one year.

Income for families applying cannot exceed \$3,600 for three people. As income goes up the federal subsidy decreases until the renter is self-sufficient.

Minimum rents for non-elderly families are \$55 for one bedroom and \$60 for two bedrooms with utilities included.

Types of housing under this program are houses and apartments throughout Eugene. The only hitch for married students is that the homes aren't always close to campus.

CLPC sees the solution to students living farther from campus in parking and bus service.

Parking structures could be built around the edges of campus. They could be paid for by fees charged to those using them.

NEGOTIATIONS PURSUED

The University is already operating a bus service between the Westmoreland married student housing project and school. The buses run hourly five days a week between 7:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.

The buses, costing \$55 a day, are paid for by students who use them. The fee is \$6 a month for unlimited rides or \$2 for 10 rides.

Right now the service is subsidized by

the University, but if parking structures were built, money could be diverted from them to make it self-sufficient.

If there were great concentration of students in certain areas of the city, the service could even be expanded.

With an expanded bus service, federally financed student housing could be built farther away from campus.

Negotiations are going on between the University and the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a \$1.5 million project. If it is built it will have 90 per cent married student housing and 10 per cent single. No details have yet been released.

Without the help of federal and city governments, little can be done on a large scale to solve the housing crisis. Almost every recommendation made by CLPC involved some form of governmental help.

The University is having troubles paying for what housing they have. Dorm rate increases and rent increases at Westmoreland are an indication of this.

The ASUO housing office has just been organized and hasn't had time to plan any action.

Something must be done though, and soon.